

**LOUIS RIGBY**  
Mayor  
**JOHN ZEMANEK**  
Councilmember At Large A  
**DOTTIE KAMINSKI**  
Councilmember At Large B  
**DANNY EARP**  
Councilmember District 1  
**CHUCK ENGELKEN**  
Councilmember District 2



**BILL BENTLEY**  
Councilmember District 3  
**KRISTIN MARTIN**  
Councilmember District 4  
**JAY MARTIN**  
Councilmember District 5  
**NANCY OJEDA**  
Councilmember District 6  
Mayor Pro-Tem

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PORTE  
JULY 9, 2018**

The City Council of the City of La Porte met in a regular meeting on **Monday, July 9, 2018**, at the City Hall Council Chambers, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas, at **6:00 p.m.** to consider the following items of business:

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Rigby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members of Council present: Councilmembers Ojeda, Zemanek, K. Martin, Bentley, Kaminski, Engelken, and Earp. Also present were City Secretary Patrice Fogarty, City Manager Corby Alexander and Assistant City Attorney Clark Askins. Councilmember Jay Martin was absent.

2. **INVOCATION** – The invocation was given by Clark Askins, Assistant City Attorney.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Dottie Kaminski.

4. **PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, and RECOGNITIONS**  
(a) Proclamation – Parks and Recreation Month – Mayor Rigby

Mayor Rigby provided a proclamation to Parks and Recreation Director Rosalyn Epting on behalf of Parks and Recreation Month.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** (Limited to five minutes per person.)

Youth Pastor TJ McIntosh, 316 E. Fairmont Pkwy., First Assembly of God Church, addressed Council regarding serving the City of La Porte in the capacity of tutoring and/or assisting with the serving food. He is the youth pastor, and they want to help in any way needed.

Mike Patterson, 10119 Stonemont, addressed Council and provided an update on Fairmont Park Pool. Mr. Patterson reported the association is having difficulties finding lifeguards and requested the City provide lifeguards, and the association will pay for them.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA** (*All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately.*)

(a) Consider approval or other action regarding the Regular City Council Meeting held on June 25, 2018 – P. Fogarty

(b) Consider approval or other action regarding pay scale for Fiscal Year 2019 for Civil Service employees for Meet and Confer Agreement – M. Hartleib

Councilmember Ojeda made a motion to approve all Consent Agenda items pursuant to staff recommendations. Councilmember Engelken seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0.** Councilmember J. Martin was absent.

## 7. PUBLIC HEARING AND ASSOCIATED ORDINANCES

- (a) Public hearing to receive public comment(s) on the Northside Neighborhood Drainage Improvement Project and associated Texas GLO CDBG-DR 2015 Floods and Storms (DR-4223 and DR-4245) – L. Wingate

The public hearing opened at 6:14 p.m. City Engineer Lorenzo Wingate presented a summary.

There being no public comments, the public hearing closed 6:15 p.m.

## 8. RESOLUTIONS

- (a) Consider approval or other action regarding a Resolution authorizing the submittal of an application to the Texas General Land Office for the 2015 Floods and Storms (DR-4223 and DR-4245 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program – L. Wingate

City Engineer Lorenzo Wingate presented a summary.

Councilmember K. Martin made a motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the submittal of an application to the Texas General Land Office for the 2015 Floods and Storms (DR-4223 and DR-4254 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program. Councilmember Kaminski seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0.** Councilmember J. Martin was absent.

- (b) Consider approval or other action regarding a Resolution authorizing submittal of an application to the Texas Water Development Board for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Flood Protection Grant – L. Wingate

City Engineer Lorenzo Wingate presented a summary.

Councilmember K. Martin made a motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the submittal of an application to the Texas General Land Office for the 2015 Floods and Storms (DR-4223 and DR-4254 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program. Councilmember Kaminski seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0.** Councilmember J. Martin was absent.

- (c) Consider approval or other action regarding an Ordinance providing for condemnation of dangerous/substandard building located at 9906 Rocky Hollow based on the recommendation of the Dangerous Building Inspection Board – M. Kirkwood (***This item was postponed from the June 25, 2018, City Council Meeting.***)

Deputy Building Official Mike Kirkwood presented a summary.

Councilmember Bentley made a motion to extend the timeline to the August 13, 2018, City Council meeting. Councilmember Earp seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0.** Councilmember J. Martin was absent.

## 9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- (a) Discussion and possible action regarding report received from the Economic Alliance Houston Port Region – J. Weeks

Assistant City Manager Jason Weeks presented a summary.

Mr. Chad Burke and Mr. Fred Welch provided the annual report and a presentation.

10. (a) Receive report of the Drainage and Flooding Committee Meeting held prior to the City Council Meeting – Councilmember Danny Earp

Councilmember Earp provided a report of the Drainage and Flooding Committee Meeting held prior to the City Council Meeting.

11. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**  
There were no additional reports.

Councilmember Zemanek left the dais at 6:43 p.m. and returned at 6:45 p.m.

12. **COUNCIL COMMENTS** regarding matters appearing on the agenda; recognition of community members, city employees, and upcoming events; inquiry of staff regarding specific factual information.

Councilmember Kaminski congratulated Parks and Recreation Director Rosalyn Epting. Councilmembers Bentley and Engelken congratulated Parks and Recreation Director Rosalyn Epting and commented the Police Department does a great job and the City has recognized and compensated well with the Meet and Confer Agreement. Councilmember Earp congratulated Parks and Recreation Director Rosalyn Epting; thanked Chad Burke for the annual report and requested an update from Staff on the status of Five Points. Councilmember Ojeda informed she attended Little Cedar Bayou Park grand opening; the Fairmont Park Public Safety Pool Party; commented the Newsletter looks great, along with the article written by Economic Development Coordinator Ryan Cramer; thanked Youth Pastor TJ McIntosh for his willingness to assist the community; requested an update on the Spencer Highway Sidewalk/Fence Project; and requested staff to advise why the turning lanes on Fairmont Parkway are not painted bright yellow as initially advised. Councilmember K. Martin congratulated Parks and Recreation Director Rosalyn Epting and also commented the Newsletter looks great. Councilmember Zemanek thanked Chad Burke and Fred Welch for the annual report; congratulated Parks and Recreation Director Rosalyn Epting; and requested reports on the Airport Study; the Air National Guard and Hazmat Cleanup. Mayor Rigby recognized Habitat for Humanity on the two new home dedications; commented the Newsletter was very informative; and advised he received a lot of great comments regarding the July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks.

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – The City reserves the right to meet in closed session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code, including, but not limited to, the following:

**Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (2)** – Consultation with City Attorney: Meet with City and City Manager to discuss and receive direction regarding negotiations with industry representatives for terms of new Industrial District Agreements.

City Council recessed the regular Council meeting to convene an executive session at 6:50 p.m. regarding the item listed above.

14. **RECONVENE** into regular session and consider action, if any on item(s) discussed in executive session.

Council reconvened the regular Council meeting at 7:40 p.m. This subject will continue to be discussed at future council meetings. Mayor Rigby advised a verbal report by the city attorney and city manager was received regarding Industrial District Agreements.

15. **ADJOURN** - There being no further business, Councilmember Engelken made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. Councilmember Zemanek seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0.** Councilmember J. Martin was absent.

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Patrice Fogarty, City Secretary

Passed and approved on July 23, 2018.

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Mayor Louis R. Rigby