CITY OF INGLESIDE ON THE BAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING June 4, 2019

- I. City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ehmann at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Alderman Nyberg gave the invocation.
- III. Mayor Ehmann led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Roll Call: Present were: Mayor Ehmann, Alderman Cain, Nyberg, Wilder, Gillespie and Robbins.
- V. Minutes of Previous City Council Meeting and Workshop of May 14, 2019 were approved as written.
- VI. Presentation by Robert Cenci from the San Patricio County Appraisal District Mr. Cenci stated he will try to set up something next year so people do not need to go to Sinton to protest, it did not work out for this year. He went over the preliminary values of the city, the Harvey hurricane exemptions have been removed, and land values were not changed from last year, this year the State Comptroller will do the spot check to make sure values compare to sales. The market is the basis for values. Clarifications were made and questions answered to include all the industry surrounded the city, double taxing by Nueces County, the boundary dispute, wildlife exemptions and Berry Island.
- VII. No Citizen Participation was heard.
- VIII. Reports from Standing Committees

Item A: Planning & Zoning handed out the annual report with the budget request.

Item B: Parks & Recreation reported the park is finished.

Item C: VFD reported maintenance is being done on one of the vehicles; a local fire chief meeting will be held to discuss Corpus Christi's recent annexation in San Patricio County.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Ehmann convened into Executive Session at 7:54 p.m.

IX. Private deliberation regarding Personnel matters pursuant to Section 551.074, Government Code to deliberate the appointment, evaluation and/or duties of Public Officers.

RETURN TO OPEN MEETING

Mayor Ehmann returned to open Meeting at 8:17 p.m.

X. New Business: Discussion and Possible Action

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Item A: Approve/Disapprove Resolution by the City Council to accept the audit conducted by Lovvorn & Kieschnick for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

Mayor Ehmann answered questions and made clarifications. Alderman Gillespie made the motion to approve the Resolution by the City Council to accept the audit conducted by Lovvorn & Kieschnick for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Alderman Wilder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item B: Approve/Disapprove appointment/reappointment of Planning and Zoning Commission members

Alderman Cain made the motion to appoint Wes Williams. Alderman Wilder seconded the motion. The motion passed with Alderman Cain, Nyberg, Wilder and Gillespie voting for the motion. Alderman Robbins abstained.

Alderman Nyberg made the motion to re-appoint Kathryn Masten-Cain. Alderman Wilder seconded the motion. The motion passed with Alderman Cain, Nyberg, Wilder and Gillespie voting for the motion. Alderman Robbins abstained.

Alderman Wilder made the motion to appoint Daniel Gentry. Alderman Nyberg seconded the motion. The motion passed with Alderman Cain, Nyberg, Wilder and Gillespie voting for the motion. Alderman Robbins abstained.

Alderman Gillespie made the motion to appoint Becky Roark. Alderman Wilder seconded the motion. The motion passed with Alderman Cain, Nyberg, Wilder and Gillespie voting for the motion. Alderman Robbins abstained.

Item C: Discuss establishing standing advisory council committees

Mayor Ehmann stated the request for committees was made. Alderman Cain summarized his notion of the standing committees to advise council and focus on three areas. He would like a possible workshop to get public input. Commissioner Gillespie asked if any regional entities have been talked to, most of the Boards deal with the Mayors of the cities involved. Mayor Ehmann stated the opportunities are already there for citizens to talk to individual councilmembers and did not understand why committees would be needed Alderman Cain explained his views for two person committee so citizens know who to go to with issues, it would be an attempt at communications. Alderman Robbins stated the council is elected by the people to do this already; committees would take away the responsibility of the council member. The committees are not necessary.

Gary Young asked what the problems were that need a solution.

Alderman Cain stated the focus is to benefit the citizens.

Discussion continued covering the VFD, insurance increases, complaints being made, but no one is stepping up to help, the city has a lot of history with volunteers, the city was built on volunteers. Times have changed; people are no longer stepping up and volunteering. Several citizens made comments.

Fire Chief Gillespie clarified the ISO rating for the fire department.

Alderman Wilder stated people want to get involved but nobody wants to change and incidents happen. Alderman Nyberg stated she thought the committees would be like worker bees to help out. Alderman Gillespie suggested involving people to establish a plan of what they want, no mutual aid agreements can be touched, but people need to be involved. Alderman Robbins suggested letting Planning and Zoning compile the information and bring it to Council.

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Shelly Williams stated she felt it would be a way to get voices heard. Wes Williams stated he felt it is an opportunity to get volunteers and people involved. Jim Tucker stated council needs to be transparent.

No action was taken.

Item D: Discuss abandoned boat issues

Mayor Ehmann stated she has called Texas Park and Wildlife and the General Land Office and if the boat is not blocking the water way they cannot help. The owner of the property has been contacted, it is not his boat. Jim Tucker explained it is not secured and is a hazard. Mayor Ehmann stated she will continue working on this issue.

Item E: Set date for park dedication

June 22 at 10 am was tentatively set determined by whether a representative from Cheniere could attend.

XI. Mayor Ehmann adjourned the meeting at 9:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted & attested:

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Jo Ann Ehmann Mayor