

**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**CITY OF GULF SHORES, ALABAMA**

**OCTOBER 27, 2008**

Mayor Duke called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. at the City Hall. The invocation was delivered by The Reverend Eldon Thurow, Grace Lutheran Church. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Mayor Duke.

Upon roll call, the following officials answered "present": Councilmen Garris, Doughty, Harris, Jones, and Mayor Duke. Councilman Craft was absent. The Mayor declared a quorum present.

Councilman Harris moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 13, 2008, as presented; seconded by Councilman Jones; and the vote of those officials present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Councilman Jones moved to approve the payroll and expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,832,615.03; seconded by Councilman Garris; and the vote of those officials present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

The Deputy City Clerk noted that the complete list of vouchers to be paid, as reflected on a computer printout, had been made a permanent record in the Clerk's office.

Mayor Duke introduced Sarah Hicks with the Alabama Gulf Coast Sports Commission who presented the Application for Public Assembly Permit of the Lower Alabama Fleet Feet Running Club for the Sweetheart Run on February 14, 2009.

Councilman Doughty moved to approve the Application for Public Assembly Permit of the Alabama Gulf Coast Sports Commission, Lower Alabama Fleet Feet Running Club, for the Sweetheart Run on February 14, 2009, including waiver of the permit fee, and to allow the closing of Gulf Place from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. on said date; seconded by Councilman Garris; and the vote of those officials present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mayor Duke asked if there was anyone present who wished to address the Council but had been unable to get on the formal agenda. There was no response.

The Deputy City Clerk read into the record the following bid tabulation:



Councilman Doughty introduced and moved for the adoption of the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 4573-08**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF  
SHORE ACRES PLANT FARM  
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,787.20  
FOR FALL AND WINTER ANNUALS;  
AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF AMOUNT FROM  
THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET**

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF SHORES, ALABAMA, WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON OCTOBER 27, 2008, as follows:

Section 1. That the bid of Shore Acres Plant Farm in the amount of \$11,787.20 for fall and winter annuals, be and the same is hereby accepted, being the lowest, most responsible, among sealed bids opened on October 14, 2008.

Section 2. That the funds for payment for such amount be drawn from the General Fund Budget of the Public Works Department, Public Facilities/Landscaping Operations Budget.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

The motion for the adoption of Resolution No. 4573-08 was seconded by Councilman Garris; was regularly put; was discussed and considered in full by the Council; and upon the question, the vote thereon was as follows: Councilman Garris, "aye," Councilman Doughty, "aye," Councilman Harris, "aye," Councilman Jones, "aye," and Mayor Duke, "aye." Councilman Craft was absent. Whereupon, the Mayor declared Resolution No. 4573-08 duly and legally adopted.

The Deputy City Clerk read into the record the following bid tabulation:



Councilman Harris introduced and moved for the adoption of the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 4574-08**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BIDS OF  
LIBERTY LINEN AND PARADISE PAPER  
AS OPEN ENDED PURCHASE AGREEMENTS  
FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES  
IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED  
\$40,000.00 PER YEAR**

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF SHORES, ALABAMA, WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON OCTOBER 27, 2008, as follows:

Section 1. That the bids of Liberty Linen and Paradise Paper as open ended purchase agreements for janitorial supplies, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 per year, be and the same are hereby accepted, being the lowest, most responsible, among sealed bids opened on September 9, 2008.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

The motion for the adoption of Resolution No. 4574-08 was seconded by Councilman Jones; was regularly put; was discussed and considered in full by the Council; and upon the question, the vote thereon was as follows: Councilman Garris, "aye," Councilman Doughty, "aye," Councilman Harris, "aye," Councilman Jones, "aye," and Mayor Duke, "aye." Councilman Craft was absent. Whereupon, the Mayor declared Resolution No. 4574-08 duly and legally adopted.

Mayor Duke introduced the Resolution which would authorize a Memorandum of Understanding between FEMA, the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, and the City of Gulf Shores regarding debris removal in Gulf State Park after a storm event.

Following a discussion, the consensus of those Councilmembers present was to table the Resolution until the Public Works Director can obtain a letter of clarification from FEMA and ADCNR confirming their intention to reimburse the City for any and all expenses pertaining to the removal of the debris materials.

Councilman Jones introduced and moved for the adoption of the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 4575-08**

**A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING  
PAULA TEIPEL  
TO THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD  
TO SERVE A FULL TERM OF FOUR YEARS  
ENDING ON NOVEMBER 1, 2012**

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF SHORES, ALABAMA, WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON OCTOBER 27, 2008, as follows:

Section 1. That Paula Teipel be and she hereby is reappointed to the Library Advisory Board to serve a full term of four years ending on November 1, 2012.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

The motion for the adoption of Resolution No. 4575-08 was seconded by Councilman Doughty; was regularly put; was discussed and considered in full by the Council; and upon the question, the vote thereon was as follows: Councilman Garris, "aye," Councilman Doughty, "aye," Councilman Harris, "aye," Councilman Jones, "aye," and Mayor Duke, "aye." Councilman Craft was absent. Whereupon, the Mayor declared Resolution No. 4575-08 duly and legally adopted.

The Mayor requested and received unanimous consent of those Councilmembers present to deviate from the published agenda to consider a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and execute documents pertaining to specific employment issues.

Councilman Harris introduced and moved for the adoption of the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 4576-08**

**A RESOLUTION**

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF GULF SHORES**

**TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE DOCUMENTS**

**NECESSARY TO RESOLVE SPECIFIC EMPLOYMENT ISSUES**

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF SHORES, ALABAMA, WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON OCTOBER 27, 2008, as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council resolves that the present Mayor of Gulf Shores, George W. Duke, III, be empowered to negotiate and execute any documents necessary to resolve any issues relative to the retirement, probationary status or severance of any employee occurring on or before November 3, 2008 after consultation with the City Attorney.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

The motion for the adoption of Resolution No. 4576-08 was seconded by Councilman Jones; was regularly put; was discussed and considered in full by the Council; and upon the question, the vote thereon was as follows: Councilman Garris, "aye," Councilman Doughty, "aye," Councilman Harris, "aye," Councilman Jones, "aye," and Mayor Duke, "aye." Councilman Craft was absent. Whereupon, the Mayor declared Resolution No. 4576-08 duly and legally adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Doughty expressed concern regarding the temporary closing of the Lagoon Park boat ramp. Mark Acreman, Public Works Director, stated that the Park would reopen next week following completion of the paving work.

STAFF REPORTS:

Mark Acreman, Public Works Director, reported the traffic signal at Regency Road will soon be energized.

Fire Chief Tim Blakemore announced his retirement as of October 31, 2008.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Harris moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Jones; and the vote of those officials present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mayor Duke declared the meeting adjourned.

George W. Duke, III, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Wanda K. Parris, CMC Deputy City Clerk