

**MINUTES  
TONKA BAY CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 9, 2007**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Tonka Bay City Council was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Members present: Mayor LaBelle, Councilmembers Marceau, Tessness, Folley, and De La Vega. Also present were City Administrator Loftus and City Attorney Penberthy.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Marceau moved to approve the agenda as submitted. De La Vega seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Regular Meeting – September 25, 2007**

Folley moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 25, 2007 as amended: Page 3, change the sentence to read: De La Vega suggested paying back the dock fund later. De La Vega seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA – Accounts Payable, Resolution 07-45**

Marceau moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. De La Vega seconded the motion. Penberthy stated the assessment roll should be attached to Resolution 07-45. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

**6. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR**

None

**7. PUBLIC HEARING**

None

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Water Treatment Plant Fence Options** – Loftus stated Kluver has prepared three updated options for the fence. The length of the fence has been reduced by 36' in one of the options, and the barbed wire has been eliminated in another. The price, as a result, has been reduced to \$13,668.00. LaBelle stated he is in favor of the fence with the reduced length. Tessness stated he is still in favor of the fence. Marceau stated he would be in favor of the 6' fence without the barbed wire and with motion detectors. Folley stated he still did not support the request. De La Vega stated he would like the fence closer to the budgeted amount. He would support the barbed wire if he believed there was a need. He would support the 6' fence, replacement gates, and the motion sensors. De La Vega moved to approve Option 2 and amend the option for three

lights instead of four in the amount of \$12,092. Marceau seconded the motion. Penberthy stated a CUP would not be needed if the barbed wire is not included. He stated a variance might be required. If it is, four votes would be required this evening. Ayes 4-1. Folley voted against the motion. Motion carried.

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Schedule Worksession** – LaBelle stated an Enterprise Fund and Fee Schedule worksession is proposed for November 13. Marceau moved to set a worksession for November 13 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Enterprise Funds. De La Vega seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

**B. US Census LUCA Program Information** – LaBelle stated that Clare Link, Administrative Assistant, has volunteered to be the city's representative for the US Census LUCA program in 2010. De La Vega moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into the agreement to take part in the US Census Bureau's LUCA program in 2010 and to appoint Clare T. Link as the city's representative. Marceau seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

**10. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR**

None

**11. REPORTS**

**A. Loftus** – Loftus reported that there is a problem with the audio portion of the recorded City Council meetings, and the audio equipment needs to be repaired. The City is responsible to make the repairs. It should cost around \$500. Funding could come from the remaining recording secretary salary which is no longer needed. New sections of the City Code are also provided.

**B. Marceau – Finance, Marinas,** - Marceau stated Arctic Fever will be held on Saturday, January 19. A bonfire and another event will be held at Manitou Park. He would like to request Tonka Bay donate \$500 to help with the event. Loftus stated the City will also donate firewood for the bonfire. She stated she would research options for funding. Marceau stated the discussion would be brought back to the next City Council meeting.

**C. Tessness – Buildings, Building Inspection, LMCD, Fire Lanes and Municipal Docks** – Tessness stated the third quarter building permit report has been provided.

**D. Folley - Animal Control, LMCC, Technology** – no report

**E. De La Vega - EFD, Parks, Sanitation, and Southshore Senior/Community Center** – De La Vega stated the EFD was awarded a grant to purchase a hovercraft boat and related equipment for early/late season rescues on the ice. Also, there will be some minor changes to the EFD joint powers agreement which will be

brought to a future Council meeting for consideration. The EFD will have their open house on Thursday, October 11. The Southshore Community Center communities have approved the agreement that does not include the proposed \$10,000 reserve. The Parks & Trails Committee is working on a calendar of items for improvement/repair in the parks which will be brought to a future meeting. Loftus reported on the Fall Cleanup held on September 29.

**F. Attorney's Report** – no report

**G. LaBelle – Public Works and SLMPD** – LaBelle stated a copy of the CSO option proposed under the SLMPD budget was included in the packet to refresh the Council's memories. He reminded the Council that when the SLMPD budget was approved, Chief Litsey had proposed a CSO option. This would replace the current animal control service. Chief Litsey is looking for input on where the cities stand on the CSO option, and it will be discussed at the Coordinating Committee meeting on October 18. The Chief would like approval by all four cities. Tonka Bay needs to take a stand, and LaBelle stated he would like the option to be discussed at the October 23 meeting. The proposed CSO would provide administrative functions. He explained when an arrest occurs, the arresting officer is generally off the streets for up to three hours. A CSO could also provide transport support. LaBelle believed it would be a valuable option to pursue. He suggested the Council call Chief Litsey for more information prior to the next Council meeting. Loftus stated an advantage to the CSO program is it is typically a college student training to be a police officer. It would be a part-time position, so there would be a lower hourly rate of pay and no benefits. LaBelle stated it is a common complaint in the city that there isn't a stronger presence of officers in the community.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, it was moved by Marceau to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. De La Vega seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

Attest:

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Clerk