

3/18/2020 - Minutes

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Brudnicki.

Interim City Clerk-Treasurer Brandy Waldron called the roll with the following members present: Mayor Greg Brudnicki, Commissioners Mike Nichols, Kenneth E. Brown, and Billy Rader. Also present: City Manager Mark McQueen and City Attorney Nevin Zimmerman. Absent: Commissioner Jenna Haligas.

2. Audience Participation

There was no audience participation at this time.

3. COVID-19 Presentation by Sandon Speedling, Administrator/Health Officer, Bay County Health Department.

Sandon Speedling, Administrator/Health Officer with the Bay County Health Department, provided a status overview of COVID-19 preparation, precautions, and procedures related to Bay County. Currently there are no confirmed cases within the County.

4. Consideration of Resolution No. 20200318.1 declaring a State of Emergency regarding the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

Commissioner Rader moved to approve Resolution No. 20200318.1 declaring a local State of Emergency regarding the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. On a roll call vote Commissioners Kenneth E. Brown, Billy Rader, Mike Nichols, and Mayor Brudnicki voted "YEA". "NAYS" - none. The City Clerk certified the motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

The Resolution was read by title only as shown below:

RESOLUTION 20200318.1

A RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF STATE OF EMERGENCY REGARDING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY.

5. Consideration of Resolution No. 20200318.2 adopting the COVID-19 Policy and amending the Administrative Personnel Policies.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution No. 20200318.2 adopting the COVID-19 Policy and amending the Administrative Personnel Policies. On a roll call vote Commissioners Kenneth E. Brown, Billy Rader, Mike Nichols, and Mayor Brudnicki voted "YEA". "NAYS" - none. The City Clerk certified the motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

The Resolution was read by title only as shown below:

RESOLUTION 20200318.2

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY DECLARING THE COVID-19 POLICY TO BE ADOPTED, AND MODIFYING ITS POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL.

6. Consideration of Emergency Ordinance No. 2732 authorizing an increase in Emergency Spending Authority.

Commissioner Nichols moved to approve Emergency Ordinance No. 2732 authorizing an increase in Emergency Spending Authority.

On a roll call vote Commissioners Kenneth E. Brown, Billy Rader, Mike Nichols, and Mayor Brudnicki voted "YEA". "NAYS" - none. The City Clerk certified the motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

The Emergency Ordinance was read by title only as shown below:

ORDINANCE 2732

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2 ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE IV FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, TO ADD SECTION 2-113 ENTITLED "EMERGENCY SPENDING AUTHORITY"; ALLOWING FOR AN INCREASE IN SPENDING AUTHORITY DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT

HEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

7. Announcement of Public Facility closures and permit suspensions.

City Manager Mark McQueen stated that the City is continuing to monitor and implement directives related to COVID-19. He announced that all activities previously scheduled to occur within City recreational facilities will be suspended through April 15, 2020 to mirror the directive from the State Department of Education. Outdoor parks will remain open to the public. City of Panama City operations will continue as usual.

City Manager McQueen stated that a call center will be activated in the near future to answer citizens COVID-19 related questions.

8. Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 a.m.