

Town of Perdido Beach, Alabama- Council Meeting Minutes  
July 8, 2014-6:00 PM

The Town Council held its Council Meeting at Town Hall on Tuesday July 8, 2014 following the Council Workshop Meeting. Mayor Patsy Parker called the Council meeting to order at 6:07 pm.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Council Members: Council Member Andy Holk, Gary Fishbein, Priscilla Condon, Ellen Leslie and Mayor Patsy Parker.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Council Member Hickey

**ALSO PRESENT:** Marcus McDowell, Town Attorney and Members of the Town.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Andrew Stewart-Town Resident

**ITEM:** Approve: May 13, 2014 Workshop Minutes  
May 13, 2014 Council Minutes  
May 28, 2014 Special Council Minutes

Motion by Council Member Condon, seconded by Council Member Fishbein to approve the minutes as presented.

No Discussion. All in favor to approve the minutes as presented.

**ITEM: FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Correction to April 2014 General Fund Checking and Deposit Detail.

Motion by Council Member Holk, seconded by Council Member Condon to approve the correction to the April General Fund Checking and Detail Report.

Discussion:

Roll call vote:

**"YES"**

**"ABSTAIN"**

**"NO"**

Council Member Holk  
Council Member Fishbein  
Council Member Condon  
Council Member McDonald-Leslie  
Mayor Patsy Parker

All in favor – Correction to April Checking and Deposit Detail approved as presented.

May Financial Report

Motion by Council Member Leslie, seconded by Council Member Condon to approve the May Financial Report.

Roll call vote:

**"YES"**

**"ABSTAIN"**

**"NO"**

Council Member Holk  
Council Member Fishbein  
Council Member Condon  
Council Member McDonald-Leslie  
Mayor Patsy Parker

All in favor. May financial report approved as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Andrew Stewart made comments regarding prayer at Council Meetings.

**GUEST SPEAKER(S):** None

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- Mayor Parker read aloud a letter of appreciation to Mrs. Freda Fleming thanking her for her service on the Town of Perdido Beach Planning Commission.
- Mayor Parker also appointed Mr. Jim Brewer-Town Resident to replace Mrs. Fleming on the Planning Commission. Mr. Brewer’s term is from July 8, 2014 until December 9, 2016.

**MOTIONS OR REQUESTS FROM COUNCIL:** None

*Committee Reports:*

**AD HOC COMMITTEE-PROPERTY SEARCH:** No Report-No Meeting

**BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE:** No Report-No Meeting

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE:**

Priscilla Condon, Committee Chairwoman reported that the committee had met on May 23, 2014 and discussed:

*Old Business:* Flag pole lighting, motion detector light at entrance and exit sign.

*New Business:* Mowing at Town Hall Property.

**BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE:** No Report-No Meeting

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE** No Report

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:** No Report-No Meeting

**CHAIRMAN’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** No Report-No Meeting

**FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT:** No Report

**SOUTH BALDWIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT:** No Report

**ITEM: COUNCIL, STAFF AND LEGAL COMMENTS:**

**Council Comments:** (Mayors Report on Response and Recovery Attached)

**Staff Comments:**

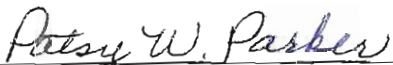
**Legal comments:**


**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**ITEM:** Establishing Communication Committee was delayed until the next Council Meeting.

**ADJOURN:** Being no further business there was a motion by Council Member Condon seconded by Council Member Holk to adjourn. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:36 PM.

Attest:

  
Patsy W. Parker, Mayor

  
Lynn Thompson, Town Clerk

MAYOR'S RECOVERY REPORT TO THE COUNCIL  
7-8-14

Emergency repairs have been made and other repairs are awaiting the submission of work orders developed by FEMA. Work orders are in the process of being developed and should be submitted within the next two weeks. At that time we'll have a scope of work and will be able to seek quotes from contractors for repairs based on the scope of work described in the work orders.

Riggs Street should be the first in line for repairs, followed by Hildreth, Pensacola and Mobile. State Street repairs are incomplete so additional work will be done at that location. Every street in Town received damage to some extent and each will be addressed in order of damage severity, which will include edge of street damage, damage to ditches and culverts, and damage to the shoulders.

This has been a trying but interesting time. I've observed that many residents have pitched in to help the community return to a state of normalcy. Some have used their tractors, blades and other equipment to clear silt from the streets or to fill pot holes. Others have cleared away and disposed of debris from their properties and the rights of way. Almost everyone I've encountered has been patient and understanding that the process takes time for evaluation of damages and to work with the various agencies involved in recovery. We've turned a corner in the process and should be able soon to begin permanent repairs.

This event brings home the urgent need for a storm water management/ drainage plan. The infrastructure is old and piece meal and inadequate for the average severe rain storm, much less for the sort of event that occurred on April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Sadly, we missed a chance to get that done through the EPA grant that would have been administered by The Nature Conservancy. If that grant had been awarded to the Town, we would have had a plan in place by the end of this year. Those funds will be given to someone and that grant is supported by our tax dollars. Turning it down doesn't mean the funds won't be used – they will be used but by some other town or city.

Fortunately, because of careful spending over the past few years, there was money in reserve that will help us through this disaster.