



MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2006 AT 6:30 P.M.
CITY HALL, 116 FIRST STREET
NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA

Pursuant to proper notice a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held February 13, 2006 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida.

Attendance

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Richard A. Brown
Vice Mayor Harriet Pruette
Councilor Fred Lee
Councilor Eric Pardee
Councilor John Weldon
City Manager James Jarboe
City Clerk Lisa Volpe, CMC

ABSENT:

City Attorney Chris White

STAFF:

Community Development Director Jason Cleghorn
Director of Finance Steve Ramsey
Director of Public Safety David Sembach
Director of Public Services Leon Smith
Deputy City Clerk Karla Strait, CMC

Order Call

Mayor Brown called the special meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced the purpose of the meeting was to select a waste service provider and level of waste services.

The following are the low bids for three available options with various levels of services:

OPTION 1 – WASTE PRO

This residential option would keep services as they are currently including two day per week garbage pickup (side yard), one day per week recycling and Monday yard waste pickup. The lowest bid for this option was Waste Pro at \$19.45 per month. Accepting this option would result in an increase from the present \$13.00 per month to approximately \$20.00 per month.

OPTION 2 – WASTE PRO

This residential option would keep services as they are currently including two day per week garbage pickup (side yard), one day per week recycling and any weekday yard waste pickup. The lowest bid for this option was Waste Pro at \$17.78 per month. Accepting this option would result in an increase from the present \$13.00 per month to approximately \$18.25 per month.

OPTION 3 – WASTE PRO

This residential option would eliminate side yard pickup and includes a two day per week garbage pickup, one day per week recycling and Monday yard waste pickup. The lowest bid for this option was Waste Pro at \$16.12 per month. Accepting this option would result in an increase from the present \$13.00 per month to approximately \$16.50 per month.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Brown opened the public hearing.

Harriet Christovich, 110 Seagate Avenue, favored option three.

There being no further comments from the public, the public hearing was closed.

Councilor Lee was concerned that Summer Sands and Secluded Woods had covenants and restrictions that prevented garbage cans from being placed in side yards. He felt two days per week trash pickup and Monday yard waste pickup is important, therefore he favored option three.

Councilor Pardee favored side yard pickup and option two.

Councilor Weldon felt side yard waste pickup was an advantage because residents would not have to remember when to take the cans out to the curb. He supported option one or two.

Mayor Brown felt the option with the least amount of dollar impact and maintaining the level of service was option two, with trash pickup remaining the same while being flexible with the yard waste pickup.

Councilor Pruette was concerned about residents living on a fixed income. She felt the cost increase for option one was too high and favored option three. Councilor Pruette added that side yard pickup has always been available and would continue to be available for elderly and handicapped residents.

Councilor Lee felt it was important that storm debris clean up was included in the contract regardless of the option chosen.

City Manager Jarboe stated communities with covenants and restrictions such as Summer Ssands had the option of providing dumpsters for their residents.

Moved by Weldon, seconded by Pardee.

Motion: **TO APPROVE OPTION TWO WITH WASTE PRO.**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 3 – Pardee, Weldon, Brown

Noes: 2 – Lee, Pruette

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Richard Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Volpe, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: _____