

# City of Rockaway Beach City Council Meeting Minutes



**Date:** Wednesday, May 13, 2020

**Time:** 6:00 P.M.

**Location:** Join Zoom Meeting

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## **CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Beeman made a motion, seconded by Cheek, to approve the agenda as written; motion carried.

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Motion](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Absent](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Absent](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)

## **ROLL CALL**

[Mayor - Sue Wilson: Present](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Present](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Absent](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Absent\\*](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Present](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Present](#)

\* Joined Meeting Late

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Beeman made a motion seconded by Cheek to approve minutes for March 11, 2020, March 16, 2020, April 8, 2020, April 28, 2020 and the April 2020 check register; motion carried.

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Motion](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Absent](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Absent](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)

## **CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Zandra Umholtz, a resident of Rockaway Beach suggested a 4<sup>th</sup> of July Community Event would be fun. This would be something to supplement the canceling of the parade and firework show.

## **PRESENTATIONS, GUESTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **STAFF REPORTS**

Fire Chief Todd Hesse, (absent due to fire call). Chief of Police Charlie Stewart, said the month of April's information does not adequately represent how busy the Police Department has been recently. While there had been a lot of confusion regarding what restrictions are in place and the time frame that they would continue to be implemented. He stated that the officers are handling anywhere from 3-10 contacts a day regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. He addressed a few of the larger issues that the Police Department had encountered over the month. He believes it's important to note that as our city continues to grow and our demographics change, so do the issues facing our community. Public Works Director Luke Shepard, provided an update on Phase II of the Boardwalk. He said the finishing touches would be completed this week on the water line project. He stated they would be decommissioning the last underground diesel tank on South 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. He said due to the pandemic extra maintenance was able to be done at the parks. Pro-Tem City Manager Luke Shepard said the Census workers would be in town, beginning this week. He stated he had been playing catch up at City Hall, the biggest project being drafting the budget. He provided an update on City Manager Terri Michel, he said today she officially resigned. He mentioned that David Elkins Emergency Manager had resigned, there is an interim plan in place to continue that program. He said he received a phone call today from State Parks, they would be opening the Manhattan Wayside Beach Park, next week with limited hours.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

## **CONTINUATION OF THE DISCUSSION ON THE JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 PARADE AND FIREWORKS SHOW**

Wilson addressed the proposed cancelation due to COVID-19 pandemic. Beeman said it was his opinion that the City follow suit with the rest of the County and cancel the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks and Parade. Cheek said she had a lot of public encounters that were in favor of cancelling the July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities. Martine would like to see the July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities cancelled, and did not want to have vendors at the Wayside. Shepard stated the Governor banned large gatherings through at least September.

Beeman made a motion, seconded by Martine to cancel the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade and Fire Works show; motion carried.

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Motion](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Absent](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Absent](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-687 ON THE CONTINUANCE OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY**

Wilson stated she would like to see the continuance extended until May 29, 2020. Councilor's provided their input.

Martine made a motion, seconded by Beeman that Resolution No. 20-687 be amended on paragraph 4 to read May 29, 2020 in place of May 31, 2020; motion carried.

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Motion](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Absent](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Disapprove](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)

Martine made a motion, seconded by Beeman to adopt Resolution No. 20-687 as amended; motion adopted.

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Motion](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Absent](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Absent](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Disapprove](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)

**NEW BUSINESS**

**EXPIRATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE MUSEUM LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY**

Wilson and Counsel discussed the letter received from the Police Museum.

Beeman made a motion to approve their lease for another 3 years as requested. Motion failed due to lack of second.

**COUNCIL CONCERNS**

Beeman thanked all those doing a great job during these difficult times. Walhood said she had concerns that she had missed most of the meeting. She asked if the Census staff could be carrying IDs.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Wilson thanked everyone for doing their jobs.

**ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Martine made a motion, seconded by Beeman to adjourn at 6:57 PM; motion carried.

Position #2 - Tom Martine: Motion

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: 2nd

Position #1 - Nathan Beeman: Approve


Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Absent

Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve

Position #5 - Penelope Check: Approve

Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 10<sup>TH</sup>  
DAY OF JUNE, 2020.



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Sue Wilson, Mayor



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Luke Shepard, Pro-Tem City Manager