

**CITY OF BAYPORT
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
APRIL 5, 2010
5:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice, Mayor Nowaczek called the City Council workshop meeting of April 5, 2010 to order at 5:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Jon Nowaczek, Councilmembers Connie Carlson, Torry Kraftson, and Judy Seeberger

Members Absent: Dan Johnson

Others Present: Administrator Mitch Berg, Assistant City Administrator/Planner Sara Taylor, Library Director Kathy MacDonald, and members of the Library Board

Mayor Nowaczek stated the purpose of the workshop was for the City Council to receive an update and an overview of the current operations at the Bayport Public Library.

Library review: Library Board member Joe Reding gave a presentation on the library, which included state and local history, make-up and responsibilities of the Library Board, an income and expenditure summary, service and circulation statistics, and a cost analysis for Bayport residents. In 2009, a total of 45,204 visits were accounted for at the library. A breakdown of the circulation/loans indicated that Bayport residents account for 31% of loans by destination, followed by Stillwater, West Lakeland, Oak Park Heights, Baytown, and other surrounding communities. Special events were reviewed, including story hour, class/senior housing visits, and book clubs, which are programs that are offered above and beyond regular library services. Board member Reding concluded his presentation by introducing the other members of the Library Board, including Sandy Ness, Mary Goulette, Mary-Clare Holst, and Corey Mohan.

Library Director MacDonald and Library Board members answered questions from the City Council relative to significant issues facing the library, including funding, and opportunities to utilize volunteers to assist with library services. The Library Board expressed pride with their efforts in implementing creative solutions for energy conservation and pursuing cooperative efforts with groups such as the Master Gardeners to exchange services and resources. Board member Reding also expressed gratitude for donations received through the Foundation for Bayport Public Library, and encouraged individuals interested in donating to the library, to do so through the foundation.

Mayor Nowaczek concluded the workshop by recognizing the library as a community asset and Councilmembers expressed appreciation for the friendly staff and level of services provided for patrons of all ages.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilmember Carlson and seconded by Councilmember Kraftson seconded to adjourn the workshop at 5:54 p.m. Motion carried.

