

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JANUARY 16, 2018

Board of Public Affairs Chairman Richard Long opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs with the following members present: Karen Ford, James Salsbury, William Pepple, and Tom Sprow. Also present were: Director of Utilities Kevin Maynard, Mayor Carrie Schlade, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Human Resource Director Jacqueline Perry, Water Superintendent Norm Echler, Water Plant Supervisor Derek Schultz, Communications Superintendent Joe Ferrell, Bryan City Council members F. John Betts and Judy Yahraus, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 2, 2018, and the Special Meeting held January 8, 2018, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to approve the November 30, 2017, Clerk-Treasurer's report as presented by Clerk-Treasurer Rode. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held regarding proposed committees for 2018.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to approve the following committees for 2018 as noted below:

Finance – Bill Pepple and Karen Ford
Water – Tom Sprow and Jim Salsbury
Communications – Dick Long and Bill Pepple
Electric – Dick Long and Jim Salsbury
BIPAC – Tom Sprow
Technology – Dick Long and Tom Sprow
Human Resources – Dick Long and Tom Sprow

Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2, 2018, titled,

REVISING BRYAN COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT RATE ADDENDUM EXHIBIT A CABLE TELEVISION RATE SCHEDULE, AND EXHIBIT B INTERNET ACCESS RATES

was presented and read by title only. Communications Superintendent Ferrell reviewed with the Board proposed rate adjustments for both cable television and Internet. He noted that the programming cost increases can no longer be absorbed resulting in a rate increase for subscribers. However, he continued that high speed residential Internet rates

would decrease. Therefore, customers utilizing both cable and Internet services would see a net decrease in their monthly bills. Further discussion was held regarding the project planned to increase Internet bandwidth as well as the need to pass along the cable programming cost increases at this time in addition to other various issues.

Mr. Peple moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to pass Resolution No. 2, 2018. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Communications Superintendent Ferrell then requested to move Communications Tech IV Todd Stimpfle from probationary status to regular employment status effective February 2, 2018, noting that he continues to be a great employee. Further discussion was held.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to move Communications Tech IV Todd Stimpfle from probationary status to regular employment status effective February 2, 2018, with no change in pay. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Water Plant Supervisor Schultz requested to reclassify Water Treatment Plant Operator I James Dunning to Probationary Water Treatment Plant Operator II effective February 3, 2018, taking him from \$20.78 per hour to \$21.64 per hour. He continued to note the certifications received by Water Treatment Plant Operator I Dunning. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to reclassify Water Treatment Plant Operator I James Dunning to Probationary Water Treatment Plant Operator II effective February 3, 2018, taking him from \$20.78 per hour to \$21.64 per hour. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to pay bills. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Director of Utilities Maynard thanked everyone for assisting with peak shaving on January 3, 2018.

Mayor Schlade advised the Board that Mr. Lynn Wieland was selected to fill the Council At Large position. She added that Council would be meeting at 7:00 p.m. this evening due to the Martin Luther King holiday.

Board member Peple read a letter noting that he will be resigning from the Board of Public Affairs effective January 26, 2018. He added that he had enjoyed his public service and was leaving on a positive note.

Well wishes were extended by members of the Board.

City Attorney Fisher then advised the Board that they will have 30 days from January 26, 2018, to fill Mr. Pepple's unexpired term. She encouraged the Board to accept resumes and letters of intent on or before a certain date. Further discussion was held.

Chairman Long suggested January 26, 2018, as the cut-off date.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to accept with regret the resignation of William Pepple from the Board of Public Affairs effective January 26, 2018, and to accept resumes and letters of intent on or before January 26, 2018, for the Board position. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Pepple abstained. Motion carried.

Further discussion was held to inform candidates interested in the upcoming vacated Board seat to send resumes and letters of interest to the Human Resource Director noting her e-mail and business mailing address.

Mr. Pepple moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Chairman of the Board

Clerk-Treasurer