

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

MAY 2, 2017

Board of Public Affairs Chairman Richard Long opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs with the following members present: Jim Salsbury, Karen Ford, William Pepple, and Tom Sprow. Also present were: Mayor Douglas Johnson, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Electric Superintendent Al Sullivan, Water Superintendent Norm Echler, Communications Superintendent Joe Ferrell, Administrative Assistant Sylvia Ramos, Account Clerk III Shelly Armstrong, Local Programming and Production Lead Eric Herman, Human Resource Director Jacqueline Perry, City Council members Carrie Schlade and Judy Yahraus, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held April 17, 2017, and the Regular Meeting held April 18, 2017, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Bonnie Kimpling-Kelly, a Bryan citizen, raised a concern with the Board regarding the recent decision to hold off on purchasing the hydro excavator in that she felt more discussion was necessary for the public. Board Chairman Long replied that in light of a recent event at the solar field and other issues, the Board chose to table the issue at this point.

Ms. Dawn Lund of Utility Financial Solutions, LLC made a presentation via teleconference to the Board on the electric cost of service study and cash reserve policy. The proposed changes to the rates would result in a revenue neutral adjustment to the rates with the main change being to shift some of the power cost adjustment to the base rate. In addition, Ms. Lund stated the benefits of having a cash reserve policy especially with regard to future capital requirements. Discussion was held at various points during the presentation.

Resolution No. 10, 2017, titled,

A RESOLUTION HIRING A DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was presented and read by title only. Board members shared their excitement in offering the Director of Utilities position to Mr. Kevin Maynard. Board member Pepple noted that they were fortunate to have good candidates to review. Board Chairman Long and several other Board members expressed their appreciation of Bryan Municipal Utilities employees for doing a good job through the interim.

Mr. Pepple moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to pass Resolution No. 10, 2017. 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.

All Board members, Mayor Johnson, City Attorney Fisher and Clerk-Treasurer Rode welcomed Mr. Maynard as the new Director of Utilities.

Mayor Johnson reviewed the previous evening's Council agenda specifically noting the details of the Wastewater project.

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