

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

MAY 16, 2017

Board of Public Affairs Vice Chairman Karen Ford opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs with the following members present: Jim Salsbury, William Pepple, and Tom Sprow. Richard Long was absent. Also present were: Mayor Douglas Johnson, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Communications Superintendent Joe Ferrell, Engineering Supervisor Nathan Gardner, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Mr. Sprow moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held April 27, 2017, and the Regular Meeting held May 2, 2017, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Long absent. Motion carried.

Bryan citizen Al Horn informed the Board that he had taken a foreign exchange student to visit our local hospital, the solar field, the Auglaize hydro facility and other various spots in Bryan. He continued by noting how much our City has to offer, and how impressed the student was with the facilities.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's report for the month ending April 30, 2017. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Long absent. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 11, 2017, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND CONFIGURATION OF A DIGITAL ADWARE SYSTEM FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT THROUGH MEGA HERTZ AT A COST OF ELEVEN THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$11,100.00), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

was presented and read by title only. Communications Superintendent Ferrell informed the Board that current advertising insertion equipment purchased in 2010 is inoperable for local programming. After researching the options available, he is requesting to replace that equipment with a refurbished analog adware system from Mega Hertz at a cost of \$11,100. Communications Superintendent Ferrell added that the first year of the maintenance agreement for the equipment would be at no charge. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Pepple moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to pass Resolution No. 11, 2017. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Long absent. Motion carried.

Engineering Supervisor Gardner requested the Board's approval to hire Britton Poynter as a Probationary Utility Engineering Assistant I at a rate of \$17.50 per hour effective May 22, 2017, or as soon as possible. Mr. Poynter has a background in the electrical

industry as well as the communications industry which would be useful to the team. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Pepple seconded, to hire Britton Poynter as a Probationary Utility Engineering Assistant I at a rate of \$17.50 per hour effective May 22, 2017, or as soon as possible. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Long absent. Motion carried.

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

Mayor Johnson reviewed the previous evening's Council agenda as well as reminded the public of the upcoming Memorial Day holiday and service at Fountain Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Horn thanked the Board for the annual report and commented on the amount of unbilled services noted.

Board member Sprow read a letter from Mayor Kidston of the Village of Pioneer thanking Bryan Municipal Utilities Electric Department for their assistance with recent storm damage.

Board member Pepple shared his thoughts on the cable advertising on our local channels benefiting local businesses and the community in general.

Vice Chairman Ford thanked all for attending and reminded everyone that the new Director of Utilities will be present for the next regular meeting.

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

Vice Chairman of the Board

Clerk-Treasurer