

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JULY 18, 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, Tom Sprow, Karen Ford, and William Pepple. Also present were: Director of Utilities Kevin Maynard, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Water Superintendent Norm Echler, Electric Superintendent Al Sullivan, City Council members Tommy Morr, Judy Yahraus, and Carrie Schlade, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Mr. Pepple moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 27, 2017, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

Resolution No. 15, 2017, titled,

A RESOLUTION TO SET THE EMPLOYEE ANNUAL PREMIUM RATE FOR HEALTH INSURANCE FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2017 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2018.

was presented and read by title only.

Mayor Johnson explained to the Board that the health insurance rate increase for the period September 1, 2017, through August 31, 2017, was 4%. He continued by noting that the current plan is under grandfather status at this time and that Council had passed similar legislation last evening. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to pass Resolution No. 15, 2017. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 16, 2017, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ALL PURPOSE CONTRACTING, INC. FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS "2017 100 BLOCK EAST SOUTH STREET IMPROVEMENTS", AND MORE SPECIFICALLY FOR THE BRYAN WATER DEPARTMENT'S PORTION OF THE PROJECT AT A COST OF FIFTY SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$56,300.00)

was presented and read by title only. Board Chairman Long requested the Board authorize entering into a contract with All Purpose Contracting, Inc. for the 100 Block East South Street Improvements project. The Water Department's portion of the

\$254,147 project is \$56,300. He added that Council had approved an ordinance last evening pertaining to the project. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Pepple moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to pass Resolution No. 16, 2017. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Electric Superintendent Sullivan requested the Board's permission to send a team of three (3) lineworkers, JJ Rupp, Brandon Suffel, and Brad Plummer, to the fourth annual American Municipal Power Lineworkers Rodeo. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Sprow moved, Mr. Pepple seconded, to send three (3) lineworkers to the fourth annual American Municipal Power Lineworkers Rodeo. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Director of Utilities Maynard requested to move Account Clerk III Shelley Armstrong from probationary status to regular employment status effective August 1, 2017, noting that Account Clerk III Armstrong does a fine job for Bryan Municipal Utilities.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to move Account Clerk III Shelley Armstrong from probationary status to regular employment status effective August 1, 2017, with no change in pay. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Director of Utilities Maynard requested that Network Engineer Kody McClure be moved from probationary status to regular employment status effective August 2, 2017. Director Maynard also added that Network Engineer McClure had assisted Montpelier with an issue recently and how much it was appreciated.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to move Network Engineer Kody McClure from probationary status to regular employment status effective August 2, 2017, with no change in pay. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Water Superintendent Echler reviewed with the Board with the Water Detection Leak Survey report noting areas with water loss within the City. Discussion was held at various times with Water Superintendent Echler noting that all but one (1) issue in the report had already been resolved.

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

Several Board members stated they were pleased with the health insurance renewal.

Director of Utilities Maynard updated the Board on the small hydro provision in the State budget bill effective September 29, 2017, allowing renewable energy credits on units which were previously not eligible which will help to offset the power supply cost. Further discussion was held.

Mayor Johnson reviewed the previous evening's Council agenda. In addition, City Attorney Fisher shared her observations of solar power usage while traveling in Austria.

Council member Morr informed the Board of a citizen's concern regarding a blacked out Detroit Tigers game. It was noted that the blacked out game was initiated by the network. Board member Salsbury added that he had also been contacted on the same issue.

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