

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

August 21, 2018

Bryan Board of Public Affairs Chairman Richard Long presided over the meeting with the following members present: Karen Ford, Tom Sprow, James Salsbury, and Robert Eyre. Also present were: City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Director of Utilities Kevin Maynard, Operations Manager Dawn Fitzcharles, Water Superintendent Norm Echler, Communication Superintendent Joe Ferrell, Water Distribution Supervisor John Caperton, Water Plant Supervisor Derek Schultz, Engineering Supervisor Nathan Gardner, Human Resource Director Jacqueline Perry, Bryan City Council members Judith Yahraus and F. John Betts, and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Buda.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Eyre seconded, to approve the minutes of the Joint Special Meeting held on August 7, 2018, as well as the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 7, 2018, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Board Chairman Long clarified statements he made in regard to the aquifer plan. He commented that he is 100% behind the City's resolutions opposing the plan to drill into the Michindoh aquifer for water profit sales.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's report for the month ending July 31, 2018, as presented by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Buda. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Utility Director Maynard presented the Board with a review of water rates along with a history of water revenues showing a 22 % decline from 1989 to date. He reviewed proactive versus reactive policies in addressing water rates requirements with a slide presentation noting that a reactive policy is less predictable. Further discussion was held.

John Courtney of Courtney & Associates presented to the Board an update on the water utility revenue requirements including current sales, staffing and operation and maintenance expense data. Mr. Courtney provided options to the Board for their consideration. Further discussion was held.

Resolution No. 24, 2018, titled,

APPROVING SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION'S (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED

was presented and read by title only. Operation Manager Fitzcharles informed the Board that an application would need to be completed to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission program. City Engineer Wieland would be able to help with that process. Engineering Supervisor Gardner reviewed the water mains that would be replaced in the South Williams and Butler Street area with an estimated 63 water services being updated. He also reviewed the South Walnut Street project. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Eyre seconded, to pass Resolution No. 24, 2018. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

Board member Salsbury commented on the opposition to the aquifer drilling and reiterated his support for same.

City Attorney Fisher reminded the public that per City ordinance, signs need to be properly placed on the resident's property and not on the City's terraces.

Mr. Sprow moved, Mr. Long seconded to cancel the strategic planning meeting scheduled for August 23, 2018 and reschedule it for September 6, 2018, starting at 8:00 a.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Operations Manager Fitzcharles requested that the Board allow the use of water hydrants to be used for cleanup of the downtown streets per a request from the Downtown Cleanup Committee on September 15, 2018.

Mr. Eyre moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded to allow the use of the water hydrants for the downtown cleanup. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Communications Superintendent Ferrell updated the Board on the Internet bandwidth project stating the first phase is completed and are now waiting on the third party circuit to be completed at the end of August 2018.

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

Chairman of the Board

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer