## **BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

## **DECEMBER 17, 2019**

Board of Public Affairs Chairman Jim Salsbury opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs with the following members present: Karen Ford, Richard Long, Derek Allen, and Tom Sprow. Also present were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, Operations Manager Dawn Fitzcharles, Human Resource Director Jacqueline Perry, Power Production Superintendent Jim Coressel, Power Plant Operator Trainee Jason Beck, part-time Administrative Assistant Pam Lucas, City Council member John Betts, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Allen seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 3, 2019, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to approve the November 30, 2019, Clerk-Treasurer's report as presented by Clerk-Treasurer Rode. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Power Production Superintendent Coressel introduced Power Plant Operator Trainee Jason Beck to the Board as he was recently hired.

Board of Public Affairs member-elect Annette Schreiner entered the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

Resolution No. 48, 2019, titled,

## APPROVING THE 2020 BRYAN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES BUDGET AND REQUESTING CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION OF THE SAME

was presented and read by title only. As the 2020 budget had been presented at the previous meeting, Mayor Schlade and Board Chairman Salsbury thanked everyone who participated in the budget process this year.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to pass Resolution No. 48, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 49, 2019, titled,

AUTHORIZING LEASE PAYMENTS TO BE PAID BY THE BRYAN COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT TO THE BRYAN ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT FOR THE USE OF THE FIBER-COAX PLANT, AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 59, 2009, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

was presented and read by title only. Chairman Salsbury reminded the Board of the previous meeting's discussion regarding the fiber and coax lease.

Mr. Sprow moved, Mr. Allen seconded, to pass Resolution No. 49, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Board Chairman Salsbury stated that the Board had been presented with a letter of resignation from Director of Utilities Kevin Maynard.

Mr. Allen moved, Mr. Long seconded, to accept the resignation of Director of Utilities Maynard as presented. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Human Resource Director Perry requested that Power Production Superintendent James Coressel be moved from probationary status to regular employment status effective January 1, 2020. She noted that Power Production Superintendent Coressel brings a positive attitude to the team. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to move Power Production Superintendent James Coressel from probationary status to regular employment status effective January 1, 2020. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Power Production Superintendent Coressel requested that Power Plant Operator Trainee Kevin Douglass be moved to Probationary Power Plant Operator I effective January 2, 2020, noting that he is pursuing his Associates of Science in Maintenance Technician/Mechatronics at Northwest State Community College. Further discussion was held.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Allen seconded, to move Power Plant Operator Trainee Kevin Douglass to Probationary Power Plant Operator I effective January 2, 2020, taking him from \$21.73 per hour to \$22.64 per hour. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Power Production Superintendent Coressel then requested educational assistance for Probationary Power Plant Operator I Kevin Douglass.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to approve educational assistance for Probationary Power Plant Operator I Kevin Douglass. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

Board members and Mayor Schlade wished the public a Merry Christmas. Several Board members also extended congratulations to Power Production Superintendent Coressel and Power Plant Operation Trainee Beck.

Board of Public Affairs member Sprow wished former Director of Utilities Maynard well on his next endeavor. He also spoke regarding an article on pole attachments and discussions that should be held with providers to safely accommodate the attachments. Further discussion was held.

Operations Manager Fitzcharles reminded the public of the holiday schedule for Bryan Municipal Utilities and expressed her appreciation of Power Production Superintendent Coressel.

Chairman of the Board Salsbury addressed the issue of the four (4) Bryan Municipal Utilities rental houses noting that three (3) are currently vacant. He noted the dates and purpose of the purchases as well as the February 2017 vote regarding exiting the rental business for the properties which was voted down. He added that presently it is being researched on how to fund the potential demolition of the properties.

A brief recess was taken.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the employment and compensation of public employees and collective bargaining at 5:26 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Asked to attend the Executive Session were: Mayor Schlade, Operations Manager Fitzcharles, Human Resource Director Perry, Board member-elect Schreiner, and Clerk-Treasurer Rode.

City Clerk-Treasurer Rode exited the Executive Session at 5:33 p.m.

Board member Long exited Executive Session at 6:35 p.m. and reentered at 6:37 p.m.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to adjourn Executive Session at 6:43 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

Chairman of the Board	Clerk-Treasurer	