

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

MARCH 2, 2021

Board of Public Affairs Chairman Tom Sprow opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs at 5:00 p.m. with the following members participating via teleconference: Karen Ford, Annette Schreiner, Richard Long, and Jim Salsbury. Also participating via teleconference were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, Director of Utilities Nathan Gardner, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Human Resource Director Jacqueline Schlachter, Local Programming and Production Lead Eric Herman, Videographer Kristopher Bryce, and City Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 16, 2021, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 10, 2021, titled,

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER FROM THE 502 WATER FUND TO THE 525 WATER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Gardner requested the transfer of \$290,000 from the 502 Water Fund to the 525 Water Capital Reserve Fund. He continued that this amount was budgeted for 2021 capital projects. The transfer will be presented to Council at their next available meeting.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to pass Resolution No. 10, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 11, 2021, titled,

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER FROM THE 509 COMMUNICATIONS FUND TO THE 535 COMMUNICATIONS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Gardner requested the transfer of \$53,510 from the 509 Communications Fund to the 535 Communications Capital Reserve Fund. He continued that this amount was budgeted for 2021 capital projects. The transfer will be presented to Council for approval at their next available meeting.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to pass Resolution No. 11, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 12, 2021, titled,

EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY MODIFICATIONS TO THE BRYAN GOOD NEIGHBORS UTILITY FUND THROUGH APRIL 30, 2021

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Gardner requested the Board approve extending the modification to the Bryan Good Neighbors Utility Fund increasing the maximum yearly assistance to \$500 per household for eligible recipients and allowing communication services to be included through April 30, 2021.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to pass Resolution No. 12, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Human Resource Director Schlachter requested that Engineering Assistant II Britton Poynter be moved from probationary status to regular employment status effective March 2, 2021, with no change in pay.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Long seconded, to move Engineering Assistant II Britton Poynter from probationary status to regular employment status effective March 2, 2021, with no change in pay. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

Mayor Schlade informed the Board of a \$3,300,000 investment from AMTRAK to upgrade the train station. In addition, she informed the Board that City Council would be returning to in-person meetings with virtual options for the first meeting in April.

Director of Utilities Gardner informed the Board that he was attending the virtual American Public Power Association rally. He and several Board members also shared their excitement regarding the upgrade in the AMTRAK station.

A brief recess was taken.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the compensation of public employees at 5:22 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Asked to attend the Executive Session were: Mayor Schlade, Director of Utilities Gardner, City Attorney Fisher, Human Resource Director Schlachter, and City Clerk-Treasurer Rode.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to adjourn Executive Session at 5:42 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Board Chairman Sprow informed the public that the purpose of the Executive Session was to discuss the compensation of public employees. No action was taken.

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

Chairman of the Board

Clerk-Treasurer