

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

Bryan 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 present: Karen Ford, Jim Salsbury, Richard Long, and Annette Schreiner. Also present were: Director of Utilities Nathan Gardner, Water Superintendent Derek Schultz, Human Resource Director Jackie Schlachter and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Buda.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Long seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 17, 2021 as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Director of Utilities Gardner led a presentation on the Bryan Solar Field's 10-year history noting construction began in December 2011 and with power being expected by February 2012. He indicated that it was the largest solar project in the State at that time. The purpose of the presentation was to inform the Board that the lease agreement with Key Government Finance terminates in February 2022 and now is the time to decide on the future of the Solar Field. The options are to continue with the lease until the equipment is purchased or returned or exercise the option to purchase the solar field equipment at an agreed fair market value. The fair market value proposed is \$397,000. Director of Utilities Gardner then presented a year-by-year cost analysis from 2012 to 2025 showing the pros (savings) of purchasing the solar field at the agreed fair market value. After further discussion, the Board decided to proceed with a resolution to vote on the offer. Board Chairman Sprow asked that the resolution that had been prepared to be numbered and read.

Resolution No. 30, 2021, titled,

AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE THE 2MW SOLAR ARRAY EQUIPMENT FROM KEY GOVERNMENT FINANCE, INC., CURRENTLY ON PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF BRYAN

was presented and read by title only.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to pass Resolution No. 30, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Human Resource Schlachter requested permission to post for the open Water Treatment Supervisor position that has been vacant since November 30, 2020.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Long seconded, to give permission to post for the Water Treatment Supervisor position. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Board Chairman Sprow led a discussion on whether or not to have the September 21, 2021, Board meeting as two (2) members will be at a conference. At this time, they will wait to see if there would be any items to address; otherwise, they are considering cancelling the meeting if there is a lack of agenda items. No action was taken.

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

Water Superintendent Schultz updated the Board on the watermain project on North Meyers Street and indicated that it should be completed in two (2) weeks.

Director of Utilities Gardner informed the Board that there will be a bid opening for salvageable items from the rental homes on September 23, 2021, so the houses can be turned over for training to the Police and Fire Departments. Pictures of the items will be posted on the website for anyone interested.

Board members thanked Director of Utilities Gardner for his efforts on presenting information and options on the Bryan Solar Field.

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

Chairman of the Board

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer