

**BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

**MAY 17, 2022**

Board of Public Affairs Chairman Jim Salsbury opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present: Annette Schreiner, Karen Ford, Richard Long, and Tom Sprow. Also present were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Director of Utilities Nathan Gardner, Operations Manager Derek Schultz, Human Resource Director Jackie Schlachter and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Buda.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 3, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Bryan citizen Gene Rediger asked about the possibility of installing a fiber to home network in Bryan and listed benefits of having this service.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's report as of April 30, 2022, as submitted by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Buda. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 24, 2022, titled,

**REVISING THE BRYAN COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

was presented and read by title only. Operations Manager Schultz referenced that this is a follow up to Resolution No. 17, 2022 that ceased Cable TV programming services. This resolution updates the Communications General Rules and Regulations to remove all references to Cable TV effect June 1, 2022.

Mr. Sprow moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to pass Resolution No. 24, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 25, 2022, titled,

**TO ACCEPT THE DONATION FROM AIRMATE COMPANY INC. FOR THE "WATER LINE EXTENSION PROJECT – EAST WILSON STREET/COUNTY ROAD D"**

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Gardner explained that the water line extension project will provide fire protection for the Airmate Company Inc.'s expansion. He stated that the Water Department Rules and Regulations, when requested, requires the property owner to be responsible for the plans and cost of building the water

line. He is asking that the City of Bryan accept the donation of \$245,228 from Airmate Company Inc.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to pass Resolution No. 25, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 26, 2022, titled,

**AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF WATER CAPITAL FUNDS FOR THE AIRMATE WATER LINE EXTENSION PROJECT**

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Gardner requested that the donation of \$245,228 from Airmate Company and the pending \$50,000 from the Revolving Loan Funds be appropriated into the 525 Water Capital Reserve Fund on approval from City Council. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to pass Resolution No. 26, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to set the date for a Special Meeting on Monday May 23, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. to award the bid and change order for the Airmate Company Inc. water line extension project. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Human Resource Director Schlachter requested to promote and reclassify Chad Fitzenrider from Water Treatment Plant Operator III to probationary Water Plant Supervisor with an increase in pay from \$29.80 to \$33.48 effective May 23, 2022, if approved. She added that Water Treatment Plant Operator III Fitzenrider has the experience, training and knowledge to move into this position.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to reclassify Chad Fitzenrider from Water Treatment Plant Operator III to probationary Water Plant Supervisor with an increase in pay from \$29.80 to \$33.48 effective May 23, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Human Resource Director Schlachter requested to hire Derick Wyrick to probationary Line worker II to fill a vacated position. He has seven (7) years of experience and training. His proposed rate of pay is \$29.70 effective June 13, 2022, if approved. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to hire Derick Wyrick as a probationary Lineworker II at a rate of \$29.70, effective June 13, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

Director of Utilities Gardner congratulated Chad Fitzenrider on his promotion and welcomed new hire Derick Wyrick. He, also, reminded the public that Cable TV ends effective May 31, 2022 but Internet services are continuing. He invited Mr. Rediger to have a discussion with him on the fiber to home concept.

Board members congratulated probationary Water Plant Supervisor Fitzenrider on his promotion and welcomed new employee probationary Lineworker II Wyrick and thanked Mr. Rediger for his comments.

A brief recess was taken.

Mr. Sprow moved, Mr. Long seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss acquisition of property at 5:28 p.m.

Asked to attend: Director of Utilities Gardner, Operations Manager Schultz, Mayor Schlade, City Attorney Fisher and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Buda. Also attending were representatives from Spangler Candy Company Bill Martin and Evan Brock.

Spangler Candy Company representatives Bill Martin and Evan Brock exited the Executive Session at 6:14 p.m.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to exit the Executive Session at 6:48 p.m.

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

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Chairman of the Board

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Deputy Clerk-Treasurer