

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

NOVEMBER 15, 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: Director of Utilities Nathan Gardner, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Operations Manager Derek Schultz, Electric Superintendent Al Sullivan, Water Superintendent Jimmy Dunning, Communications Superintendent Joe Ferrell, Power Production Superintendent Jim Coressel, Police Chief Greg Ruskey, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 1, 2022, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Sprow, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's report as of October 31, 2022, as submitted by Clerk-Treasurer Rode. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Police Chief Greg Ruskey approached the Board requesting free service as the new FLOCK camera safety system is to be installed in the City of Bryan. He gave a brief description of the purpose of the system which will require power for the equipment to be mounted on five (5) utility poles within the City. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to approve free service to allow FLOCK equipment to be placed on utility poles within the City. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Director of Utilities Gardner began the review of the proposed 2023 budget with the Board. He provided details on the power supply noting that the renewable energy portion of the portfolio still exceeds the Board of Public Affairs goal of 25% as well as the savings derived from peak shaving.

After Director of Utilities Gardner reviewed the anticipated revenues, operational expenses, and fund balances, Power Production Superintendent Coressel and Electric Superintendent Sullivan shared a number of the large capital improvement projects planned for 2023. Such projects include: power plant substations phase 2, substation SCADA network/upgrade, overhead to underground projects planned in Deerfield and on Carson Drive, street lighting projects, and more. Communications Superintendent Ferrell then spoke of the main project for his department in 2023 which would be a new headend building. In addition, he has several smaller projects planned.

Operations Manager Schultz then gave an overview of the projected revenues and expenses for the Water Department including the anticipated fund balances. Water Superintendent Dunning then explained several of the Water Department capital

improvement projects including: the backup generator for Well 7, the high service pump 3 rehab, the South Lynn St. waterline replacement project which is a joint project with the City, and more.

Director of Utilities Gardner wrapped up the presentation by reviewing the proposed 2023 Communications Department budget which does not include programming costs due to the elimination of cable services in 2022. Discussion was held at various points during the presentation. Director of Utilities Gardner noted that a resolution to approve the proposed 2023 budget would be presented at a later date.

Resolution No. 45, 2022, titled,

AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO APPLY FOR AN OHIO EPA EMERGENCY GENERATOR EQUIPMENT GRANT

was presented and read by title only. Operations Manager Schultz requested the Board's permission to apply for an Ohio Environmental Protection Agency emergency generator equipment grant. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to pass Resolution No. 45, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 46, 2022, titled,

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION AND TRANSFER FROM THE 501 ELECTRIC FUND TO THE 515 ELECTRIC CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

was presented and read by title only. Director Utilities Gardner requested the Board's approval to appropriate \$2,000,000 in the 501 Electric Fund. The funds would then transfer into the 515 Electric Capital Improvement Fund for the intended 2023 capital improvement projects. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to pass Resolution No. 46, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 47, 2022, titled,

AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION AND TRANSFER FROM THE 501 ELECTRIC FUND TO THE 515 ELECTRIC CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

was presented and read by title only. Director Utilities Gardner requested the Board's approval to appropriate \$850,000 in the 502 Water Fund. The funds would then transfer into the 525 Water Capital Improvement Fund for the intended 2023 capital improvement projects. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Sprow moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to pass Resolution No. 47, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

City Attorney Fisher shared with the Board some of the key points from her recent American Public Power Association conference with special emphasis on the current supply chain issues.

Operations Manager Schultz requested permission from the Board to post for the Engineering Assistant/GIS Coordinator position.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to allow the posting for the Engineering Assistant/GIS Coordinator position. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Board members thanked the management team for the 2023 budget presentation. Clerk-Treasurer Rode informed the Board that she planned to ask Council to approve a negative appropriation for the Communications Department as a result of discontinuing the cable services in 2022 at the next Council meeting.

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

Chairman of the Board

Clerk-Treasurer