## BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

## **APRIL 26, 2023**

Board of Public Affairs Vice-Chairman Jim Salsbury opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Annette Schreiner, Karen Ford and Tom Sprow. Chairman Richard Long was absent. Also present were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, Director of Utilities Derek Schultz, Power Plant Production Superintendent Jim Coressel, Human Resource Director Jacqueline Schlachter and Interim Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Buda.

Mr. Sprow moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Special Joint Meeting held on April 18, 2023, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

Resolution No. 6, 2023, titled,

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO APPLY FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY GRANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE AUGLAIZE HYDROELECTRIC PLANT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Schultz explained that the U.S. Department of Energy has announced grant opportunities that apply to the Auglaize Hydroelectric Plant. He would like to apply for two (2) available incentive programs with the Section 242 production incentive program providing a payback of 1.8 cents per eligible kilowatt hours produced at the Auglaize Plant in 2021 and 2022 with the possibility of an additional eight (8) years. The second grant is a Section 243 efficiency improvement incentive program for capital improvements that could be used to help rebuild the Unit #3 turbine and would pay 30% of the cost up to \$5 million. The Ferguson Group, an American Municipal Power member, would be contracted to help with the grant application process at a 15% discount. Further discussion was held in regard to the deadlines and the amount of payback.

Ms. Schreiner moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to pass Resolution No. 6, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

Resolution No. 7, 2023, titled,

## RECOGNIZING NATIONAL DRINKING WATER WEEK, MAY 7-13, 2023 AND THE ESSENTIAL ROLE WATER PLAYS IN OUR DAILY LIVES

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Schultz announced that the National Drinking Water Week is annually celebrated during the first week of May and recognized the vital role water plays in everyday life for the community. He also noted that there are two million miles of aging water mains in America with increased

investments needed for infrastructure. This year drinking water week will be recognized and celebrated during the week of May 7-13. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Sprow moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to pass Resolution No. 7, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

Human Resource Director Schlachter informed the Board of the resignation of Account Clerk Megan Wiler effective March 17, 2023 as she has accepted employment elsewhere.

Ms. Schreiner moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to accept the resignation of Account Clerk Megan Wiler as of March 17, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

Human Resource Director Schlachter then requested permission to post for an Account Clerk.

Ms. Ford moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to grant permission to post for the position of Account Clerk. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

Human Resource Director Schlachter requested the Board approve reclassifying City Account Clerk II Jessica Davies to a Probationary City Account Clerk III effective April 26, 2023 at a rate of \$20.10 per hour as she has taken on additional responsibilities and qualifies for a reclassification.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to reclassify City Account Clerk II Jessica Davies to Probationary City Account Clerk III effective April 26, 2023 at a rate of \$20.10 per hour. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

Human Resource Director Schlachter requested the Board hire Sandy Bostater as a parttime City Account Clerk III at a rate of \$22.00 per hour effective May 2, 2023. She would work 20 to 25 hours a week depending on staffing in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office.

Ms. Ford moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to hire Sandy Bostater as a part-time City Account Clerk III at a rate of \$22.00 per hour effective May 2, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to cancel the May 2, 2023 Board of Public Affairs meeting due to a lack of quorum. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

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

Director of Utilities Schultz and Board members wished Megan Wiler well in her new career, welcomed part-time employee Sandy Bostater and congratulated Probationary City Account Clerk III Jessica Davies on her reclassification. Appreciation was shared

for celebrating National Water Week and the importance of water along with looking into grants for the Auglaize Hydro Plant.

Mayor Schlade thanked the Board on the reclassification of Jessica Davies and hiring of Sandy Bostater. She also informed the Board of her meeting in Columbus for public power.

Interim Clerk-Treasurer Buda also thanked the Board on reclassifying Jessica Davies and hiring Sandy Bostater as a part-time employee for the Clerk-Treasurer's Office.

A brief recess was taken.

Ms. Schreiner moved, Mr. Salsbury seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss acquisition of property at 9:21 a.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

Asked to attend the Executive Session were: Director of Utilities Schultz, Mayor Schlade, and Interim Clerk-Treasurer Buda.

Mr. Sprow moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to adjourn the Executive Session at 9:46 a.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Long absent.

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

Chairman of the Board	Interim Clerk-Treasurer