

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

Board of Public Affairs Chairman Richard Long opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs with the following members present: Annette Schreiner, Karen Ford, James Salsbury and Tom Sprow. Also present were: Director of Utilities Derek Schultz, Operations Manager Jimmy Dunning, Power Production Superintendent Jim Coressel, Bryan City Council member John Betts and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Buda.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Long seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 15, 2023 as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Director of Utilities Schultz presented power point slides detailing the natural gas supply that is used for generation, for review and discussion of the current Agreement for Firm Gas Transportation Service. He then presented three (3) options from the Ohio Gas Company for a Transaction Confirmation for Immediate Delivery agreement explaining that the change is the result of the effects of Winter Storm Elliott and market availability. After further discussion, the recommendation for the best protection and least amount of risk is with the Ohio Gas Energy Services, City Gate Storage Option #1.

Resolution No. 15, 2023, titled,

AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO EXECUTE A TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY OF GAS SERVICES WITH OHIO GAS ENERGY SERVICES COMPANY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

was presented and read by title only. There was no further discussion.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Sprow seconded, to pass Resolution No. 15, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Council member Betts exited the meeting.

Resolution No. 16, 2023, titled,

AUTHORIZING THE BRYAN DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO SUBMIT A NON-BINDING LETTER OF INTEREST IN THE USDA NEW ERA GRANT FOR PARTICIPATION IN RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS WITH AMERICAN MUNICIPAL POWER, INC.

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Schultz asked for approval to submit a non-binding letter of interest in regard to American Municipal Power (AMP) participation in the USDA New ERA grant. This grant would provide a 25% discount on

new power purchase agreements for renewable power sources. The deadline to submit for the grant is September 13, 2023. Further discussion was held.

Ms. Schreiner moved, Mr. Long seconded, to pass Resolution No. 16, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Director of Utilities Schultz requested the Board approve a donation of \$4,000 to the Bryan Parks and Recreation Department to replace street trees and help the City of Bryan remain a Tree City. The 2022 Bryan Municipal Utilities' donation assisted with 25% of the tree planting which consisted of 103 trees in various locations.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to approve the donation of \$4,000 for the Bryan Parks and Recreation Department street trees. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Operations Manager Dunning requested that the Board of Public Affairs hire Daykota Shook as a Probationary Account Clerk II effective September 18, 2023 at a rate of pay of \$18.25. She has experience in various areas that will be helpful in the Utility Office.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded to hire Daykota Shook as a Probationary Account Clerk II effective September 18, 2023 at a rate of pay of \$18.25. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Operations Manager Dunning requested that the Board of Public Affairs place Probationary Water Treatment Operator Trainee Andrew Stanley on regular employment status effective September 12, 2023 with a rate of pay of \$23.81. He has passed the Ohio EPA Class 1 Water Supply Certification and is expanding his knowledge of the water system.

Ms. Ford moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded to place Probationary Water Treatment Operator Trainee Stanley on regular status effective September 12, 2023 at a rate of pay of \$23.81. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

Board members welcomed new hire Daykota Shook and congratulated Water Treatment Operator Trainee Stanley on his change to regular employment status.

Director of Utilities Schultz welcomed new hire Daykota Shook and congratulated several employees on acquiring certifications and training. He thanked Board member Salsbury and Administrative Assistant Sylvia Ramos for their help on researching the gas service contracts. He also informed the Board that two electric department line workers are assisting with mutual aid for the storm damage from Hurricane Idalia in Florida.

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

Chairman of the Board

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer