

City of Bronte, Texas
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday April 13th, 2017 6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Bronte, Texas met in regular session in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 114 S. Washington Street, Bronte, Texas at 8:00 p.m.

6:30 P.M. City Council Convened
City Council Chambers, 114 S. Washington, Street, Bronte, Texas

Present: Mayor Gerald Sandusky City Secretary Crystal L. Blevins
Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford City Attorney Eileen M. Hayman
Council Member Paul Gohman Utilities Director Ricky Royall
Council Member Martin Lee
Council Member Wade Stautzenberger
Council Member George Tomes

Absent:

1. Proclamations and Presentations

1.1. Pledges of Allegiance were given by those in Council Chambers.

1.2. Prayer by Council Member Paul Gohman

2. Citizen Comments - Any citizen wishing to appear before a regular meeting of the City Council may do so by signing up to speak at the City Council meeting itself, with regard to any item posted on the City Council agenda. Council may take comments from citizens on this matter.

- Cody Quillin – No discussion, will discuss during Regular Session 4.9.
- Stormy Vaughn – No discussion.

3. Minutes

3.1. March 13th, 2017 City Council Meeting

Motion by Council Member Martin Lee to approve of the March 13th, 2017 minutes, seconded by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

4. Regular Agenda

4.1. Discuss/Act – Finances:

- o Monthly Report

Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford - Water tower maintenance expense

Utility Director Ricky Royall – City has an agreement that the water tower is inspected and repaired annually.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford to approve of the Monthly Report, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

o Bills to Pay

Council Member Martin Lee – Sanitation expense; Request reviewing sanitation invoice and citizen rates.

Motion by Council Member Martin Lee to approve of the bills to pay, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

o Revenues and Expenditures

Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford – Request budget amendment transferring funds to cover legal fees

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford to approve of the revenues and expenditures, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

4.2. **Discuss – Animal Services: Animal Report**

3	Cats
1	Dogs
1	Skunks
5	Possums
12	Raccoons

Crystal L. Blevins presented the Animal Services Report.

Discussion only, no action was taken.

4.3. **Discuss/Act – Animal Services: Livestock Permits**

Tiffany Harendt - 515 S. Franklin; chickens, ducks
James Sutton – 201 E. McCaulley; goats

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford to approve of all livestock permits, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

4.4. **Discuss – Public Safety: Sheriff's Department Report**

- 5 Calls for ordinance enforcement
- 1 Officer ordinance notification from City Hall
- 1 Verbal warning issued
- 0 Written warning issued
- 4 Citations issued

Deputy Brandon Inman presented the Sheriff's Department Report.

Discussion only, no action was taken.

4.5. **Discuss – Public Safety: Fire Department Report**

Fire Chief Bill Torres not present to discuss Fire Department Report.

No action was taken.

4.6. **Discuss/Act - Code Enforcement: Building Permits**

Ronnie Bailey – 201 E. Oliver; carport with concrete pad

Motion by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger to approve of the building permit for Ronnie Bailey for the construction of a carport at 201 E. Oliver, Bronte, TX, seconded by Council Member George Tomes.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

Wanona Magill – 224 N Woods; fence

Motion by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger to approve of the building permit for Wanona Magill for the construction of a fence at 224 N Woods, Bronte, TX, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman.

Utilities Director Ricky Royall – chain link fence

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

Patrick Williams – 915 W. Jackson Street; mobile home

Utilities Director Ricky Royall – new mobile home

Motion by Council Member Martin Lee to approve of the building permit for Patrick Williams for a mobile home at 915 W. Jackson, Bronte, TX, seconded by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

- 4.7. **Discuss/Act – Finance:** Consider Budget Ordinance No. 2017-01, Amendment 2, amending the FY 2016-17 Adopted Budget for municipal purposes respecting the General, Water, Sewer and Sanitation Fund to transfer budgeted expense from employment taxes to Medicare and social security expense line items; and to increase employee health insurance.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford to amend the FY 2016-17 Adopted Operating Budget to transfer budgeted expenses from employment taxes to Medicare and social security expense line items; and to increase employee health insurance, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

- 4.8. **Discuss/Act – Finance:** Consider and take action authorizing the Mayor to execute a resolution finding that AEP Texas Inc.'s application to amend its distribution cost recovery factors to increase distribution rates within the city should be denied; finding that the city's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by the company; finding that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law; requiring notice of this resolution to the company and legal counsel.

Motion by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger to approve of AEP Texas Inc.'s application to amend its distribution cost recovery factors and to increase distribution rates within the city to be denied, seconded by Council Member Martin Lee.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

- 4.9. **Discuss/Act – Economic Development:** Consider and take action on approval for the installation of a 120' utility pole by Mobilitie, LLC to provide wireless phone service at the location West George Avenue and Southeast Railroad Street.

Permitting Manager Cody Quillin with Mobilitie – 120' pole is not near any buildings, it is close to the old football field. Company is insured at \$1 million. Pole may be moved to the outer edge of the right-of-way. Coke County and the City of Robert Lee have approved of the installation of the utility poles.

City Secretary Crystal L. Blevins – Mobilitie will reimburse the City of Bronte an annual franchise fee of \$200.

Motion by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger to approve of the installation of a 120' utility pole by Mobilitie, LLC to provide wireless phone service at the location West George Avenue and Southeast Railroad Street, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

- 4.10. **Discuss/Act – Economic Development:** Consider and take action to deed 0.33-acre tract of land out of Bronte Acres and being a portion of the A.J. Adams Survey #1, Abstract 7, City of Bronte, Coke County, Texas and being the same property described in a Warranty Deed in volume 43 Page 231 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas, such description being incorporated herein by reference as R1012 in the amount \$330.00 to David and Donna Scott of Wolfforth, Texas.

City Secretary Crystal L. Blevins – David and Donna Scott's property surrounds the 0.33 acre tract of land. There is no easement to this section of land.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford to approve of deeding 0.33 acres tract of land out of Bronte Acres and being a portion of the A.J. Adams Survey #1, Abstract 7, City of Bronte, Coke County, Texas and being the same property described in a Warranty Deed in volume 43 Page 231 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas, such description being incorporated herein by reference as R1012 in the amount \$330.00 to David and Donna Scott of Wolfforth, TX, seconded by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

- 4.11. **Discuss/Act – Economic Development:** Consider and take action to deed 1.0-acre tract of land, more or less, out of Survey 3, Abstract 59 Bronte Acres, Abstract 59, Section 3, C & M Ry Co Survey and being the same property described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 108 Page 320 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas, such description being incorporated herein by reference R1248 in the amount \$600.00 to William Christian and Amy Chumney of Bronte, Texas.

City Secretary Crystal L. Blevins – Agenda item was tabled from March 13th, 2017 City Council Meeting. Other citizens have shown interest for the construction of a residential property.

Motion by Council Member Martin Lee to reject the agenda item deeding 1.0-acre tract of land, more or less, out of Survey 3, Abstract 59 Bronte Acres, Abstract 59, Section 3, C & M Ry Co Survey and being the same property described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 108 Page 320 of the Deed

Records of Coke County, Texas, such description being incorporated herein by reference R1248 in the amount \$600.00 to William Christian and Amy Chumney of Bronte, Texas, seconded by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

- 4.12. **Discuss/Act – City Secretary:** Consider and take action to amend the resolution for the General Election on May 6th, 2017 to change election day polling location from City Hall to the Bronte Senior Citizens Center and the dates of early voting.

City Secretary Crystal L. Blevins - Coke County Clerks Office states early voting does not need to be open Saturday April 29th or Sunday April 30th, and that the General Election was to be held at the Bronte Senior Citizens Center and not at City Hall.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford to approve of amending the resolution for the General Election on May 6th, 2017 to change election day polling location from City Hall to the Bronte Senior Citizens Center and the dates of early voting, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman.

Vote: 5 – 0 Motion carried

There being no further business, at 7:01 p.m. meeting adjourned.


Gerald Sandusky, Mayor

ATTEST:


Crystal L. Blevins, City Secretary