

City of Bronte, Texas
Special City Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 22, 2019 6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Bronte, Texas met in special session in City Council Chambers, City Hall, and 114 S. Washington Street, Bronte, Texas at 6:30 p.m. An audio recording can be requested through the Public Information Act through City Hall.

The meeting called to order at 6:32 P.M. and a quorum was established. In attendance: Paul Gohman, Mayor; Santiago Rodriguez, Mayor Pro Tem; All City Council Members: Lee Wommack, Steve Hines, Ron Cooper and Ricky Royall, Utility Director, Teresa Ballard, City Secretary. City Attorney, Eileen M. Hayman was not requested to attend the meeting. Stormy Vaughn was present at 6:36pm.

Proclamations and Presentations

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer was led by Paul Gohman

Code Enforcement: Permits requested. Council reviewed applications, site plans and heard comments by the Code Enforcement Officer, Ricky Royall on 2 (two) requests. Council will have Permit Committee consisting of Ricky, mayor and Steve with Lee being the alternant. Committee can approve but only on accessory buildings. If permit is questionable, it will be presented to council for final approval.

Sheila Lake re-submitted request for new permanent sea container property at 312 N Woods at council's request with a more detail site plan. Permit committee inspected the property approved permit.

Lee Wommack made motion to approve permit seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 4-0, motion passed

Lynette Fletcher at 223 S Randall St. submitted permit application for a permanent addition to curb. The concrete curb will be extended around the property. Permit committee inspected the property and approved the request.

Lee Wommack made a motion to approve permit, seconded by Steve Hines.

Vote 4-0, motion passed

City Hall: Consider approving Candidate City of Brownwood, Mayor Stephen Hayes for the TML Health Benefits Pool, Board of Trustees for TML Region 6 for term of office October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2022.

Santiago Rodriguez made the motion to approve Stephen Hayes represent TML Region 6, seconded by Lee Wommack.

Vote 4-0, motion passed

Councilman, Stormy Vaughn joined the council meeting at 6:36pm

Ordinance(s): Consider approval to pending ordinance New Fee Schedule Ordinance. Council reviewed changes made by Stormy Vaughn. After more discussion to ordinance a few more tweaks need to be done.

Ron Cooper made the motion to approve the building permit section with changes, seconded by Lee Wommack.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed with changes.

Stormy Vaughn made a motion to approve the existing fee changes that should have been on this fee schedule water residential and commercial rates and add * for security utility deposit and on #6 soliciting fee and change snake change to registration fee instead of permit fee, seconded by Santiago Rodriguez.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed with changes.

Consider approval to pending New Cargo Container Ordinance. Council approved at August 15 meeting, but city staff had more concerns and discussed with city attorney and held up the notification without council approval. Council discussed city staff concerns and ordinance stands. Council has added the clause "if property sells, cargo container no longer be grandfathered in and will need to be removed".

Lee Wommack made the motion to approve cargo ordinance with adding if property sells cargo will need to be removed, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 4-1, Steve Hines abstained, motion passed

Ordinance: Update Animal Ordinance – Stormy Vaughn reports the city attorney recommends tabling. Stormy Vaughn needs what direction to go, recommends having two ordinances; animal and livestock ordinance.

Lee Wommack made the motion to table and have council members look it over and recommends having two ordinances animal and livestock, seconded by Stormy Vaughn.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed table for more research

Ricky Royall would like council to consider paying for Fire Department request for radios and batteries \$2598.00. Will be put on next agenda.

Consider approving July Finances from City Council Meeting August 15, 2019 that was not discussed at meeting.

Finance: Bills Paid, Balance Sheet, Aging Report, Revenue & Expenditure for July

Stormy Vaughn made motion to approve the Bills Paid and Aging Report, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed – Santiago Rodriguez asked The Highway Restaurant has two invoices that are the same amount. City Secretary will double check to be sure it is not a duplicate invoice.

City Secretary is still working on Steve Hines and Stormy Vaughn's questions regarding financials.

Stormy Vaughn discussed the balance sheets vs. reconciliation to each fund. The only one that balances is Sewer Fund. We need to be concerned we are losing money each month, that's why it's important to review these each month.

Stormy Vaughn made the motion to approve Aging Report, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Stormy Vaughn made the motion to approve the balance sheet and table the bank reconciliation and revenue and expenditures, seconded by Santiago Rodriguez.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Stormy Vaughn did say the reports are looking better but feels like there is a glitch in the account's payables, receivables, revenue and expenditures.

Council recessed at 8:07pm; council reconvened at 8:15pm

Discuss Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Workshop. City Secretary will move the city staff salaries to the location's council approved. City Secretary will made corrections and email council the revisions.

Stormy Vaughn would like to look for other options for trash services.

Also, we need to look at our contract with to Republic Service's, if we do nothing then it automatically renews.

Adjourn: No further business meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.


Paul Gohman, Mayor

ATTEST:


Teresa Ballard, City Secretary