

City of Bronte, Texas
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 15, 2019 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 6:30 p.m. An audio recording can be requested through the Public Information Act through City Hall.

The meeting called to order at 6:30 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 Stormy Vaughn; Ricky Royall, Utility Director, Teresa Ballard, City Secretary. City Attorney, Eileen M. Hayman was not requested to attend the meeting.

Proclamations and Presentations

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer was led by Paul Gohman

Citizen Comments – No citizen's comments

Regular Agenda

Public Safety & Animal Services reports: Jim Stewart reported FD worked one fire with 15 of the 22 members worked the fire along with members from Water Valley, Carlsbad, Sterling City and the Forestry. BVFD has applied for assistance for tires with Forestry. Fire Department fish fry fundraiser to finish the FD on August 23, 2019 at the Fire Department.

Deputy Roberson gave the Sheriff's Enforcement Report two verbal ordinance issued, and three citations issued.

City Secretary gave the Animal Report being animal services caught 6 cats, 5 raccoons, 1 opossum, and 4 dogs, two running loose and 2 dogs fighting were removed from property for animal cruelty per animal ordinance. 4 citations were given.

Economic Development Report and Cemetery Report: No report or discussion. Committee's had not met prior to this Council Meeting. Nothing new to report.

Economic Development – Depot Status Report: Ricky Royall contracting with Bedo Juarez to fix places on the depot with mortar.

Code Enforcement: Permits requested. Council reviewed applications, site plans and heard comments by the Code Enforcement Officer, Ricky Royall on four (4) requests. Council will have Permit Committee consisting of Ricky Royall, Mayor Paul Gohman and Steve Hines with Lee Wommack being the alternant. Committee can approve but only on accessory buildings. If permit is questionable, it will be presented to council for final approval.

Carlos Minjarez – permanent storage building permit, property at 616 NE Railroad.

Santiago Rodriguez made motion to accept permit, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Donna Hall - replacing permanent existing storage building with a bigger storage building, property at 121 W Main.

Santiago Rodriguez made motion to accept permit, seconded by Lee Wommack.

Vote: 4-1, Stormy Vaughn vote no, motion passed

Sheila Lake – new permanent sea container property at 312 N Woods.

Lee Wommack made motion to table and have the permit committee visit site location for final decision on permit, seconded by Steve Hines.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed to table for the permit committee to review to present back to council.

Lynn Pate – new permanent storage building, property at 107 S Franklin.

Steve Hines made motion to accept permit, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Economic Development: Consider board member Katie Cooper Ramirez's resignation on EDC 4B board. Ron Cooper made motion to accept board member Katie Cooper Ramirez's resignation on EDC 4B Board, seconded by Santiago Rodriguez.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Economic Development: Consider accepting EDC 4A and 4B Fiscal Year 2020 Budget.

Santiago Rodriguez made motion to accept EDC 4A and EDC 4B Fiscal Year 2020 Budget with adding Long Term Reserves to the EDC 4A budget, seconded by Stormy Vaughn.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Sewer: Consider approval renewal Sewer Lease between City of Bronte and Riley Coalson.

Stormy Vaughn made motion that the City approve the Sewer Lease Agreement with Riley Coalson, seconded by Santiago Rodriguez.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Finance: Consider approval for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Engineering Services. RFQ's received are from Meer's Engineering and Jacob and Martin. Mayor recommends a review committee sub quorum two council members Santiago Rodriguez and Ron Cooper. Mayor will set up meeting with Ricky Royall, Santiago Rodriguez and Ron Cooper.

Santiago Rodriguez made motion to have the RFQ committee review and bring recommendation back at next council, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Finance: Consider authorizing the Mayor to execute Resolution approval for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Engineering Services.

Tabled, no action taken.

Roads: Consider approval of Dobbs Invoice for blading the streets as presented to City Council. They were unable to finish with the drainage at the creek crossing from Barclay. They have a letter of intent.

Stormy Vaughn made motion to approve invoice of \$41,830.00 as presented, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

Cemetery: Consider bid proposal from Bosworth Masonry. Council recommends looking other options possible ever greens outlining the cemetery and possible changing the entry of the cemetery.

Stormy Vaughn made motion to decline bid for cemetery, seconded by Santiago Rodriguez.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed to denied bid proposal.

Cemetery: Cemetery Weed Spraying. Update: Bug Express has been back at the cemetery to spot spraying. Stormy Vaughn recommends a plan to clean and get rid of the stickers. Ricky can use a pear burner but will need BVFD onsite in case of a fire breaks out. We need to restring a cable line, paint poles, and trim trees. Recommends a city-wide cleanup day. At some point we need to have a cemetery ordinance.

Discussion only.

Ordinance: - Update Animal Ordinance – Discuss certain provisions to the current Animal Ordinance before amending. As Stormy Vaughn works on the ordinance city attorney recommends having animals registered annually. At some point we need to educate our citizens. Need more direction on how many fowl we can have in the city. Deputy Robinson will talk to the game warden regarding the law for having pythons. Need direction on square footage for livestock in the city limits. City staff will get AG extension list from appraisals office for review. Ron Cooper will talk to AG teacher about using the AG barn instead of at citizen's property. City staff will talk to Winter's Veterinary Clinic to see what their process is when registering an animal in their city limits. Stormy Vaughn will send revisions to city secretary and she will send out to council for review and will go to attorney for final approval, then back to council for final amending animal ordinance. Deputy Robinson will find out the county fees for housing animals at roping area.

Discussion only.

Ordinance: Consider approval Golf Cart/off highway vehicle new ordinance with Attorneys recommendations. Council made more changes.

Stormy Vaughn made the motion to approve with revisions, with Attorney approval, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0 motion passed.

Council stopped the meeting by 8:34pm for a break. Council reconvened meeting by 8:42pm.

Ordinance: Consider approval New Fee Schedule Ordinance. Council discussed square footage law and possible adjusting the cost to be compatible to what we have now. Accessory and structure permit ordinance haven't been done yet.

Stormy Vaughn made a motion to table to make changes and bring back to council for approval, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion tabled until revisions are made

Ordinance: Consider approval Cargo Container Ordinance.

Stormy Vaughn made motion to approve cargo container ordinance with revision as discussed, seconded by Ron Cooper with approval from attorney.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

City Limits: Discuss City Limit locations. We can only go out ½ mile at a time.

Discussion only

Meeting Minutes:

June 20, 2019, Regular Council meeting

Stormy Vaughn made motion to approve the minutes for June 20, 2019, seconded by Steve Hines.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

July 18, 2019, Regular Council meeting

Stormy Vaughn made motion to approve the minutes for July 18, 2019, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

August 6, 2019, Special City Council meeting

Stormy Vaughn made motion to approve the minutes for August 6, 2019, seconded by Steve Hines.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

August 8, 2019, Special City Council meeting

Stormy Vaughn made motion to approve the minutes for August 8, seconded by Ron Cooper.

Vote: 5-0, motion passed

City council discussed having a special council meeting, August 22, 2019 at 6:30pm, to finish agenda items.

Council adjourn at 10:27pm.


Paul Gohman, Mayor

ATTEST:


Teresa Ballard, City Secretary

