

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 17, 2019

Council President Lynn Wieland opened the meeting with the following members present: Judith Yahraus, Mary Leatherman, F. John Betts, and Richard Hupe. Also present were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Parks and Recreation Director Benjamin Dominique, Assistant Fire Chief Doug Pool, Wastewater Superintendent Wes Wygant, Director of Utilities Kevin Maynard, Board of Public Affairs member Derek Allen, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to approve the minutes from the May 30, 2019, Special Joint Meeting and the June 3, 2019, Regular Meeting as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to approve the May 31, 2019, Clerk-Treasurer's report as presented by Clerk-Treasurer Rode. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 26, 2019, titled,

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Rode detailed the requested appropriations for Council. Director of Utilities Maynard provided additional detail on the scope of the groundwater monitoring program with regard to detection of changes to quantity and/or quality. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 26, 2019, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 26, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 20, 2019, titled,

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A \$15,000 DONATION FROM THE BRYAN ROTARY FOUNDATION TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR MOORE PARK PAVILIONS.

was presented and read by title only. Parks and Recreation Director Dominique informed Council that a donation in the amount of \$15,000 had been received from the Bryan Rotary Foundation for improvements to be made to the Moore Park pavilions.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 20, 2019, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to pass Resolution No. 20, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Wastewater Superintendent Wygant requested to transfer Firefighter Brett Miller to the Wastewater Department as an unlicensed new hire effective July 1, 2019, taking his rate of pay from \$13.09 per hour to \$13.63 per hour.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to transfer Firefighter Brett Miller to the Wastewater Department as an unlicensed new hire effective July 1, 2019, taking his rate of pay from \$13.09 per hour to \$13.63 per hour. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Assistant Fire Chief Pool requested to accept the resignation of Volunteer Firefighter Jill Davis from the Bryan Fire Department effective June 17, 2019.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to accept with regret the resignation of Volunteer Firefighter Jill Davis from the Bryan Fire Department effective June 17, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Assistant Fire Chief Pool requested to transfer Firefighter Brett Miller to Volunteer Firefighter status effective July 1, 2019, making his new rate of pay as a Volunteer Firefighter \$11.57 per hour.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to transfer Firefighter Brett Miller to Volunteer Firefighter status effective July 1, 2019, making his new rate of pay as a Volunteer Firefighter \$11.57 per hour. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Assistant Fire Chief Pool requested to hire Kara R. Bok as a Volunteer Firefighter at a rate of \$8.55 per hour effective June 17, 2019.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to hire Kara R. Bok as a Volunteer Firefighter at a rate of \$8.55 per hour effective June 17, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Assistant Fire Chief Pool then requested permission to give the Civil Service Test for the Fire Department. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Betts moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to grant permission to give the Civil Service Test for the Fire Department. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade requested to accept the resignation of Reserve Police Officer Michael Kirsch effective June 17, 2019. Discussion was held on the number of reserve officers as well as the methods being utilized to recruit both Police and Fire positions.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to accept with regret the resignation of Reserve Police Officer Michael Kirsch effective June 17, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade requested that Council reappoint Planning and Zoning Administrator Waterston to the Williams Metropolitan Housing Authority for another five (5) year term ending July 7, 2024.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to reappoint Planning and Zoning Administrator Waterston to the Williams Metropolitan Housing Authority for another five (5) year term ending July 7, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade requested that Council extend the probation period for Executive Secretary Natasha Baldwin to December 12, 2019.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to extend the probation period for Executive Secretary Natasha Baldwin to December 12, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Board member Allen, who is also a Volunteer Firefighter, requested Council give consideration to the wages of full-time firefighters. Further discussion was held.

Councilman Leatherman thanked everyone who was associated with the Jubilee and Day in the Park. Mayor Schlade, Council President Wieland, and Councilman Betts shared their appreciation of the donation from the Rotary. Congratulations were also shared for Director of Utilities Maynard as he was recently appointed to the American Public Power Association board.

Council President Wieland requested the public's continued patience as road projects are still on-going in the City.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer