

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 1, 2021

Council President Mary Leatherman opened the virtual meeting with the following members present participating via teleconference: Judith Yahraus, John F. Betts, Richard Hupe, and Jim Kozumplik. Also attending via teleconference were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Street Commissioner Tyson Engstrom, Police Chief Christopher Chapa, City Engineer Brian Wieland, Wastewater Superintendent Wes Wygant, Fire Chief Bruce Siders, Parks and Recreation Director Benjamin Dominique, Videographer Kristopher Bryce, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to approve the minutes from the February 15, 2021, Regular Meeting as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 10, 2021, titled,

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE APPORTIONMENT OF INVESTMENT INCOME FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1, 2016 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Rode explained to Council the need to approve the change in apportionment of investment income to include the 230 Fund for Local Coronavirus Relief as the government mandated interest to be allocated for Coronavirus Relief dollars since June 15, 2020.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 10, 2021, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 10, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 11, 2021, titled,

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, FOR THE MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 2021

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Rode detailed the requested transfers for City Council.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 11, 2021, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 11, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 9, 2021, titled,

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FUND

was presented and read by title only. City Clerk-Treasurer Rode requested Council's approval to establish Fund 235 as the Coronavirus Relief Fund 2021.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 9, 2021, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to pass Resolution No. 9, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 12, 2021, titled,

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE APPORTIONMENT OF INVESTMENT INCOME FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 10, 2021 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Rode requested Council approve the apportionment of investment income for the City of Bryan as Fund 235 was just created.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 12, 2021, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 12, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 13, 2021, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH M&M ASPHALT, LTD FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS "2021 PARKVIEW AVE. & BELMONT AVE. IMPROVEMENTS"

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland requested Council approve the Mayor entering into a contract with M&M Asphalt, Ltd for the 2021 Parkview Avenue and Belmont Avenue Improvements project. He added that five (5) bids were received and that the bid amount by M&M Asphalt, Ltd. was \$463,354.20. The project is planned to begin in May. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 13, 2021, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 13, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 10, 2021, titled,

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM VESTED INTEREST IN K-9s (VIK9s.org) FOR A K-9 VEST, FIRST AID KIT AND NARCAN KIT FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN POLICE DOG.

was presented and read by title only. Police Chief Chapa requested that Council accept a donation from the Vested Interest in K-9s group for a K-9 vest, first aid kit, and Narcan kit for the City of Bryan Police dog. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 10, 2021, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to pass Resolution No. 10, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 11, 2021, titled,

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE JOINT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE FOR THE JOINT FOUR COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT OF WILLIAMS, DEFIANCE, FULTON AND PAULDING COUNTIES.

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade requested that Council approve the Joint Solid Waste Management Plan Update for the Joint Four County District Solid Waste Management District for Williams, Defiance, Fulton, and Paulding counties. She noted that participating communities were requested to get their respective Council's approval for the plan.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 11, 2021, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Resolution No. 11, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Police Chief Chapa informed Council of the resignation of Patrol Office Corey Ruch effective February 17, 2021.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to accept the resignation of Patrol Office Corey Ruch effective February 17, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Street Commissioner Engstrom informed Council of the pending resignation of Recycling Vehicle Operator Gary Hussey effective March 5, 2021.

Mr. Betts moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to accept with regret the resignation of Recycling Vehicle Operator Gary Hussey effective March 5, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Siders informed Council of the resignation of Probationary Volunteer Firefight Christopher L. Roberts effective February 22, 2021.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to accept the resignation of Probationary Volunteer Firefight Christopher L. Roberts effective February 22, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Director Dominique requested Council approve hiring the following part-time, seasonal workers for 2021 noting that they will begin when available:

John Hall	\$12.25 per hour
Bob Kunsman	\$ 9.00 per hour
Bryson North	\$ 9.00 per hour
Tim Muehlfeld	\$ 9.00 per hour
Richard Reed	\$ 9.00 per hour
Darrel Huard	\$ 9.00 per hour
Samanthy Kosier	\$ 9.00 per hour

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to hire the following 2021 seasonal, part-time workers for the Bryan Parks and Recreation Department: Bob Kunsman, Bryson North, Tim Muehlfeld, Richard Reed, Darrel Huard, and Samantha Kosier at \$9.00 per hour and John Hall at a rate of \$12.25 per hour. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Director Dominique requested Council approve hiring Jeffrey Tonjes as the Event Coordinator for the Fountain City Amphitheater at a rate of \$15.00 per hour not to exceed 1,000 hours for 2021.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to hire Jeffrey Tonjes as the Event Coordinator for the Fountain City Amphitheater at a rate of \$15.00 per hour not to exceed 1,000 hours for 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Street Commissioner Engstrom requested permission to post for a Recycling Vehicle Operator Trainee.

Mr. Kozmplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to approve posting for a Recycling Vehicle Operator Trainee. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade approached Council regarding returning to in-person Council meetings with virtual options effective April 5, 2021. Further discussion was held.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Hupe move, to allow returning to in-person Council meetings with virtual options effective April 5, 2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

It was then clarified by Mayor Schlade that Council meeting times would continue to be 5:30 p.m. unless Council chooses differently.

An annual report was provided by the Street Commission Engstrom covering both the Street and Refuse Departments. Discussion was held following the presentation.

Mayor Schlade then provided Council with the State of the City address. In doing so, she shared that AMTRAK would be investing approximately \$3,300,000 for a new train station in the City of Bryan. Councilman Kozumplik shared his excitement regarding the new train station.

Council welcomed Event Coordinator Tonjes to the City. They shared their anticipation regarding future events at the amphitheater as well as the new AMTRAK train station. In addition, they thanked Street Commissioner Engstrom and Mayor Schlade for their respective reports.

A brief recess was taken.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the compensation of personnel and the acquisition of property at 6:19 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Asked to attend were: Mayor Schlade, City Attorney Fisher, and Clerk-Treasurer Rode.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to adjourn the Executive Session at 7:17 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer