

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 21, 2022

Council President Jim Kozumplik opened the meeting with the following members present: F. John Betts, Judith Yahraus, Richard Hupe, and Mary Leatherman. Also attending were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Police Chief Greg Ruskey, Fire Chief Douglas Pool, Parks and Recreation Director Benjamin Dominique, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to approve the minutes from the June 6, 2022, Regular Meeting as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's report for the month ending May 31, 2022, as submitted by Clerk-Treasurer Rode. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 35, 2022, titled,

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Rode detailed the appropriations requested to Council.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 35, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 35, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 36, 2022, titled,

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, FOR THE MONTH ENDING JUNE 30, 2022

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Rode detailed the transfer requested to Council.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 36, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 36, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade requested that Police Chief Ruskey be moved from probationary status to regular employment status effective June 21, 2022, taking his salary from \$73,000 per year to \$76,650 per year. Further discussion was held.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to move Police Chief Ruskey from probationary status to regular employment status effective June 21, 2022, and taking his salary from \$73,000 per year to \$76,650 per year. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade requested that Fire Chief Pool be moved from probationary status to regular employment status effective July 1, 2022, taking his salary from \$71,400 per year to \$74,970 per year. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to move Fire Chief Pool from probationary status to regular employment status effective July 1, 2022, taking his salary from \$71,400 per year to \$74,970 per year. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Police Chief Ruskey requested Council's permission to give a Civil Service test for Police/Fire Dispatcher. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Hupe moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to allow a Civil Service test for Police/Fire Dispatcher. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Director Dominique announced to the public that Girl Named Tom would need to postpone their planned concert due to medical issues. He thanked the many people who were actively involved in the preparations in the areas of security, medical, food, etc. Further discussion was held to enlighten the public on the intensive efforts of those involved and the anticipation of the event being rescheduled.

Fire Chief Pool mentioned to Council a recent legislative change regarding fireworks and reviewed the possibility for restrictions. He added that while the possession of fireworks could not be prohibited, the discharge of them could.

Mayor Schlade and Council congratulated Police Chief Ruskey and Fire Chief Pool on going to regular employment status. All thanked Parks and Recreation Director Dominique and the team involved for their efforts concerning the parks.

Mayor Schlade also informed the public that Republic would begin taking over refuse service effective July 1, 2022, and that the totes would be dropped off to residents the week of June 27th.

A brief recess was taken.

Mr. Hupe moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the acquisition of property and the hiring of a public employee at 5:57 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Asked to attend the Executive Session were: Mayor Schlade, City Attorney Fisher, Police Chief Ruskey, Parks and Recreation Director Dominique, and City Clerk-Treasurer Rode.

Parks and Recreation Director Dominique exited the Executive Session at 6:12 p.m.

Mr. Hupe moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to exit Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer