

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

September 17, 2024

Board of Public Affairs Chairman Karen Ford opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs with the following members present: Annette Schreiner, Richard Long, and Robert Eyre. James Salisbury was absent. Also present were: Director of Utilities Derek Schultz, Mayor Carrie Schlade, Human Resources Director Tricia Lyons, Parks and Recreation Director Benjamin Dominique, Bryan City Council President Mary Leatherman, Bryan City Council Members Stephen Alspaugh and Rick Hupe, and Clerk-Treasurer John Lehner.

Mr. Eyre moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2024 Regular Meeting, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salisbury absent.

Mr. Daryl Bowling and Mr. Kent Beaver of USG Water, and Mr. Buddy Stanford and Ms. Jennifer Gleisberg of Tnemec Company were in attendance to formally present the 2023 Tnemec People's Choice and "Tank of the Year" awards to the City of Bryan and Bryan Municipal Utilities for the Dum-Dums Lollipop water tower. Since the contest began in 2006, the Bryan water tower is only the second to win both awards, and won the People's Choice award with the highest ever number of votes. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to accept the Clerk-Treasurer's Report for the month ending August 31, 2024 as submitted by Clerk-Treasurer Lehner. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salisbury absent.

Parks and Recreation Director Dominique addressed the Board to thank them for past contributions to the Parks and Recreation Department for annual planting of street trees and to request another \$4,000 contribution for 2024. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Eyre moved, Mr. Long seconded, to approve a donation of \$4,000.00 to the Bryan Parks & Recreation Department for street trees. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salisbury absent.

Director of Utilities Schultz notified the Board that the AMP Annual Conference conflicts with the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board and requested the meeting date be changed from October 1, 2024 to October 3, 2024 to accommodate his attendance at both the conference and meeting.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to reschedule the October 1, 2024 meeting of the Board of Public Affairs to Thursday, October 3, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salisbury absent.

Ms. Schreiner moved, Mr. Long seconded, to pay the bills. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salsbury absent.

Several Board members, Director of Utilities Schultz and Mayor Schlade recalled the process of working with the consultants on designing and painting the Dum-Dums Water Tower and what a great experience it was, and each offered thanks, again, for the award and recognition. Mr. Bowling and Mr. Beaver offered similar sentiments.

Parks and Recreation Director Dominique thanked the Board for its tree donation and employees of the Electric Department for assistance with downed wires on Ballfield 4.

A brief recess was taken.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to recess the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salsbury absent.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the employment and compensation of public employees at 5:39 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salsbury absent.

Asked to attend: Director of Utilities Schultz, Mayor Schlade, Human Resources Director Lyons, and Clerk-Treasurer Lehner. Mr. Alex Daman of Willis Towers Watson Company (WTW) attended via video conference and exited the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

Mr. Eyre moved, Mr. Long seconded, to adjourn the Executive Session at 6:31 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salsbury absent.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Schreiner seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Salsbury absent.

Chairman of the Board

Clerk-Treasurer