

BRYAN BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

March 18, 2025

Board of Public Affairs Chairman Annette Schreiner opened the meeting of the Bryan Board of Public Affairs with the following members present: Robert Eyre, Karen Ford, Richard Long, and James Salisbury. Also present were: Director of Utilities Derek Schultz, Mayor Carrie Schlade, Bryan City Council Member F. John Betts, and Clerk-Treasurer John Lehner.

Ms. Ford moved, Mr. Eyre seconded, to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2025 Regular Meeting, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Long moved, Mr. Salisbury seconded, to accept the Clerk-Treasurer's Report for the month ending February 28, 2025 as submitted by Clerk-Treasurer Lehner. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 9, 2025, titled,

**AUTHORIZING MODIFICATIONS TO THE BRYAN GOOD
NEIGHBORS UTILITY FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Schultz explained the proposed changes, resulting from conversations with Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission (NOCAC), include increasing the qualifying criteria from 175% of the federal poverty guideline to 200% and increasing the maximum annual assistance from \$250 to \$325.

Mr. Long moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to pass Resolution No. 9, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 10, 2025, titled,

**AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO EXECUTE A
MODIFIED TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION FOR IMMEDIATE
DELIVERY AGREEMENT WITH OHIO GAS ENERGY SERVICES
COMPANY**

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Schultz explained the modification eliminates the provision allowing gas delivery over 5 call days, and is in keeping with the way the agreement has been operated for the past two peak seasons.

Mr. Salisbury moved, Ms. Ford seconded, to pass Resolution No. 10, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 11, 2025, titled,

**REQUESTING BRYAN CITY COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE
OF THE COMMUNICATIONS HFC SYSTEM THAT IS NO LONGER
NEEDED BY COMPETITIVE BID**

was presented and read by title only. Director of Utilities Schultz requested the Board authorize the sale of approximately 67 miles of underground conduit and cable and other related items that are no longer in use, or needed, since the elimination of cable and internet services. Upon approval of the Bryan City Council, Director of Utilities Schultz will solicit competitive bids.

Mr. Salsbury moved, Mr. Eyre seconded, to pass Resolution No. 11, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

Board Member Ford noted the update on employee training and commended all for keeping up with current standards; Director of Utilities Schultz indicated that multiple city departments participated in the recent training on chainsaw safety.

Several members commented on the changes to the Bryan Good Neighbors Utility Fund and noted that they expand the ability to help those in need of assistance.

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

Chairman of the Board

Clerk-Treasurer