

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MONTAGUE
CITY OF BOWIE

On this the 12th day of April, 2021, the council convened in a regular meeting open to the public as advertised with five Councilors present. Councilor Gunter was absent.

Presiding: Mayor Burris
Councilors: Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love
City Secretary Page
City Manager Cunningham

Mayor Burris called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Fire Chief Doug Page.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

The City has started its beautification project with 10 self-watering pots being placed around the city. Also, the monkey grass is being replaced with flowers on Smythe and Wise streets and the Police Department flower beds have been planted with new flowers.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

We have been approved for the \$9,775,000.00 loan from TWDB. We have already incurred about \$150,000 worth of surveying which is the first thing we have to do before the engineering starts. The FEMA application has been completed. We have asked for \$1,325,125.87 which includes the fuel bill from BTU at \$1,277,000.00.

The second Coronavirus shot clinic was held last Wednesday and Thursday. The National Guard administered 841 Pfizer shots in the two-day event.

Last Thursday we had a FEMA Disaster Assistance Specialist at the Community Center to help individuals with their freeze damage funding.

A trip was made to Wichita Falls to visit with Dick Bundy of Bundy, Young, Sims, and Potter, Architects. Plans for the Police building were looked over and changes made. A request for funding will be on the next meeting.

Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Minutes –March 22, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Bell, to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love voting Aye.

Consider Planning and Zoning recommendation on request from Jon and Carla Swofford and Jeremy and Nicki Richey to replat all of Lot 7R-1, Lot 10 and Lot 11, Block 6, Revised N. Park Subdivision.

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Bates, to support the P&Z decision to replat. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love voting Aye.

Consider contract for Selma Park Operation Services.

Councilor Bates moved, with a second from Councilor Higgins, to approve the contract with Jose' Espinoza for Selma Park Operation Services. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love voting Aye.

Resolution 2021-12-A resolution of the City Council of Bowie, Texas, authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Community Development Fund; and authorizing the City Manager to act as the City's executive officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program.

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Hefley, to approve Resolution 2021-12. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love voting Aye.

Consider setting permanent date for City Wide Garage Sale as 4th full weekend in April.

Councilor Higgins moved, with a second from Councilor Bates, to approve setting a permanent date of the 4th full weekend in April for the City Wide Garage Sale. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love voting Aye.

Resolution 2021-13-A resolution of the City Council of the City of Bowie, Texas, selecting an engineer for the Texas Community Development Block Grant-Downtown Revitalization Program for pedestrian sidewalk, lighting, and street improvements within the designated blighted area.

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Higgins, to approve Resolution 2021-13. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love voting Aye.

Resolution 2021-14-A resolution of the City of Bowie of Montague County, Texas, authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Downtown Revitalization Program; and authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's Executive Officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program.

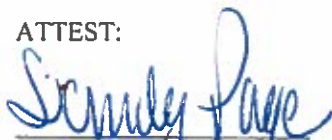
Councilor Hefley moved, with a second from Councilor Bates, to approve Resolution 2021-14. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love voting Aye.


Consider options for fuel bill from February Freeze event.

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Bates, to pay the BTU bill out of the infrastructure fund. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Bell, Hefley, Higgins, and Love voting Aye.

Mayor Burris adjourned the regular meeting at 6:27 p.m.

ATTEST:


Sandy Page, City Secretary


Gaylyn Burris, Mayor