

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MONTAGUE
CITY OF BOWIE

On this the 8th day of June, 2020, the council convened in a regular meeting open to the public as advertised with all Councilors present.

Presiding: Mayor Burris
Councilors: Bell, Buckmaster, Higgins, Love, and Malone.
City Secretary Page
City Manager Cunningham
City Attorney Rotramble

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

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by David Rainey.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor Burris thanked numerous people for their help in the tornado cleanup. Mayor Burris also commented on social media posts saying Council broke the law on having a quorum at the last meeting. The city attorney was present at that meeting and said no quorum laws were broken. Events to look forward to are Jim Bowie Days, July Jam, Red White & Brews, and the Outdoor Expo.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Stephanie Post, Dillon Steen, and Sean Reno all spoke on working together during this disaster.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Tornado Structure Damage Assessment: 528 Total Structures, 422 Residential Structures, 106 Non-Residential Structures (Businesses, Churches, and other non-residential), Total Estimated Damage was \$20,000,000. Jay and the City crews along with Sanger Electric, Denton Electric, and BTU Contractor replaced 50 Utility poles along with transformers and wire. We also paid to repair electric service to low income residents where their meter bases, weather heads, and electrical boxes were damaged on about 50 homes. Total cost of electrical repair will probably be about \$1,000,000 when all the bills are in.

Our crews hauled over 3200 trailer loads of trees and brush to the Business Park. Estimated cost of the clean-up is \$60,000 when all cost are calculated.

Last Thursday the Charter Commission met. After introductions they elected officers. TJay McEwen-Chairman, Margin Latham-Vice Chairman, and Craig Stallcup-Secretary. They went over Sections 1, 2, and 3 of the current charter. At the next meeting on June 18th they will go back over Section 2 and proceed forward. We have chosen a great group and I am sure that they will bring us a document that the citizens will vote for.

Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Minutes –May 11, 2020 Regular Meeting, May 18, 2020 Special Meeting, Resolution 2020-15- Authorizing City Manager to write off uncollected utility accounts over 15 months delinquent; and Resolution 2020-16- Authorizing City Manager to write off uncollected library overdue fines over 15 months delinquent.

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

Accept resignation from Councilor Thomas Kent.

Councilor Malone moved, with a second from Councilor Bell, to approve the resignation from Councilor Thomas Kent. Motion carried with Councilors Bell, Higgins, Love, and Malone voting Aye. Councilor Buckmaster voted Nay.

Consider process to appoint replacement for Pct. 1 Councilor.

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Malone, to take applications from June 9-12 and appoint the position on the June 22nd meeting. Motion carried with Councilors Bell, Buckmaster, Higgins, Love, and Malone voting Aye.

Resolution 2020-17-A resolution authorizing application for financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board for sewer system improvements; and making certain finding in connection therewith.

Councilor Bell moved, with a second from Councilor Malone, to approve resolution 2020-17. Motion carried with Councilors Bell, Higgins, Love, and Malone voting Aye. Councilor Buckmaster voted Nay.

Consider recommendation from Planning and Zoning on request from Darrell and Angela Henry to replat 2.51 acres in the TE&L Co. Survey No. 3421, A-815 and all of Lot 3, Block 1, Vickery Addition. Vacating 0.04 acres of alley behind Lot 1 & 2, Block 1, Vickery Addition. Creating Lot 1 and Lot 2, Block 1, Henry Addition.

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Malone, to accept the recommendation from P&Z on the replat. Motion carried with Councilors Bell, Buckmaster, Love, and Malone voting Aye. Councilor Higgins abstained.

Resolution 2020-18- A resolution regarding Civil Rights for TxCDBG Contract #7219041.

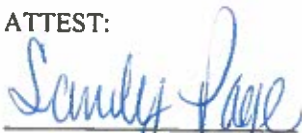
Councilor Malone moved, with a second from Councilor Higgins, to approve resolution 2020-18. Motion carried with Councilors Bell, Buckmaster, Higgins, Love, and Malone voting Aye.

Consider leasing property to Bowie BMX Bike Park Inc.

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Higgins, to approve the lease with Bowie BMX Bike Park Inc. Motion carried with Councilors Bell, Buckmaster, Higgins, Love, and Malone voting Aye.

Mayor Burris adjourned the regular meeting at 6:42 p.m.

ATTEST:


Sandy Page, City Secretary


Gaylynn Burris, Mayor