

Regular City Council Meeting  
August 14, 2023

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF MONTAGUE  
CITY OF BOWIE

On this the 14th day of August, 2023, 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, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles  
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**

City Manager Cunningham gave a report on the water main breaks from August 10-14.

**Public Comments**

Glenda Durham voiced concerns over construction of a carport in violation.

**Public Hearing:**

**2023/2024 City of Bowie Municipal Budget.**

Mayor Burris opened the public hearing at 6:08 p.m.

A few questions were answered, then Mayor Burris announced the 1<sup>st</sup> reading to adopt the budget will be at the August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Mayor Burris closed the public hearing at 6:38 p.m.

**Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Minutes – July 10, 2023 Regular Meeting; July 17, 2023 Workshop; Resolution 2023-24 Authorizing City Manager to write off uncollected utility account receivables over 15 months delinquent; and Resolution 2023-25- Authorizing City Manager to write off uncollected library overdue fines over 15 months delinquent.**

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Bates, to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Second reading of Ordinance 2023-02 – An ordinance providing for a General Election in the City of Bowie; authorizing the Montague County Elections Administrator to officially conduct the November 7, 2023 General Election; setting forth council positions and terms; establishing regular and early voting places; and establishing an effective date.**

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Post, to approve Ordinance 2023-02. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Proposed FY 2023/2024 Municipal Budget for:**

**a. Bowie Economic Development**

**b. Bowie 4B Sales Tax Corporation**

Councilor Shaw moved, with a second from Councilor Sproles, to approve the BEDC budget. Motion carried with Councilors Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye. Councilor Bates voted Nay.

Councilor Post moved, with a second from Councilor Sproles, to approve the 4B budget. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Consider re-appointment to the BEDC for a two-year term:**

**a. Dean Myers**

**b. Carla Swofford**

**c. Tim Biles**

Councilor Shaw moved, with a second from Councilor Post, to approve the re-appointment of Dean Myers. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Consider re-appointment to the BEDC for a two-year term: (Continued)**

**a. Dean Myers**

**b. Carla Swofford**

**c. Tim Biles**

Councilor Bates moved, with a second from Councilor Shaw, to approve the re-appointment of Carla Swofford. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

Councilor Post moved, with a second from Councilor Bates, to approve the re-appointment of Tim Biles. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Consider re-appointment to the 4B Sales Tax Corporation for a two-year term:**

**a. Ward Wallace**

**b. Alan Miller**

**c. Blake Enlow**

**d. Todd Brown**

Councilor Sproles moved, with a second from Councilor Post, to approve the re-appointment of Ward Wallace. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

Councilor Shaw moved, with a second from Councilor Sproles, to approve the re-appointment of Alan Miller. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

Councilor Post moved, with a second from Councilor Shaw, to approve the re-appointment of Blake Enlow. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

Councilor Bates moved, with a second from Councilor Love, to approve the re-appointment of Todd Brown. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Accept the annual Waste Connections Consumer Price Index rate adjustment.**

Councilor Sproles moved, with a second from Councilor Post, to approve the CPI rate adjustment with Waste Connections. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**2023 Tax rate:**

**a. Record vote of proposal to consider a tax rate**

**b. Schedule public hearing for August 28, 2023**

Councilor Shaw moved, with a second from Councilor Post, to set the proposed tax rate at 0.5430. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

Councilor Post moved, with a second from Councilor Love, to schedule the public hearing for August 28, 2023. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Resolution 2023-26 – A resolution for grant number 4586 for Water Treatment Plant Emergency Generators.**

Councilor Shaw moved, with a second from Councilor Post, to approve resolution 2023-26 for the Water Plant generator. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Resolution 2023-27 – A resolution for grant number 4586 for Wastewater Treatment Plant/Lift Stations Emergency Generators.**

Councilor Post moved, with a second from Councilor Bates, to approve resolution 2023-27 for the Wastewater Plant generator. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Resolution 2023-28 – A resolution for grant number 4586 for City Hall/EOC Emergency Generators.**

Councilor Shaw moved, with a second from Councilor Love, to approve resolution 2023-28 for the City Hall/EOC generator. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, and Shaw voting Aye. Councilor Sproles voted Nay.

**Consider Interlocal Agreement for 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point Services between Nortex Regional Planning Commission and City of Bowie.**

Councilor Post moved, with a second from Councilor Love, to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Nortex for 9-1-1 services. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Approve amendments to City of Bowie's Purchasing Policy.**

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Post, to approve the Purchasing Policy. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Accept bid from BCAC Underground for the TWDB Sewer Line Replacement Phase 1. TWDB CWSRF 73893 & HEI# 18002.**

Councilor Love moved, with a second from Councilor Shaw, to accept the bid from BCAC Underground. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

**Accept bid from MX Construction for Nelson Street Bridge Replacement.**

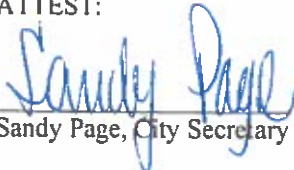
Councilor Shaw moved, with a second from Councilor Post, to accept the base bid less the deductive alternative bid. The bid would be \$2,004,368.20 for the project. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, and Shaw voting Aye. Councilor Sproles voted Nay.

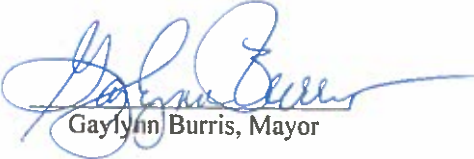
**Resolution 2023-29 – Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intention to issue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023 and authorizing certain other matters relating thereto.**

Councilor Shaw moved, with a second from Councilor Love, to approve Resolution 2023-29. This is \$2,750,000.00 for Street and Bridge improvements, purchase of an ambulance, and professional services. Motion carried with Councilors Bates, Love, Post, Shaw, and Sproles voting Aye.

Mayor Burris adjourned the regular meeting at 8:11 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Sandy Page, City Secretary

  
Gaylynn Burris, Mayor