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MIKE REED <i>Council Member, Place 2</i>		TERRI GAUTHIER <i>Council Member, Place 5</i>
TAMMI FISETTE <i>Council Member, Place 3</i>		RICHARD SAVOY <i>Council Member, Place 6</i>

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AND WORKSHOP

CITY OF BRIDGE CITY

April 19, 2022

The City Council of Bridge City met in a regular session and workshop on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at the City Hall of Bridge City, 260 Rachal, Bridge City, Texas.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rutledge called the City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Rutledge
Mayor Pro-Tem Aaron Roccaforte
Council Member Mike Reed
Council Member Tammi Fisette
Council Member Danny Harrington
Council Member Terri Gauthier

CITY COUNCIL ABSENT: Council Member Richard Savoy

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager Brent Walker
City Secretary Jeanie McDowell
City Attorney Paul Fukuda
Finance Director Karen Morgan
Personnel/Purchasing Director Kim Tucker
Public Works Director Mike Lund
Utility Superintendent Mike Die
Police Chief Tod McDowell
Assistant Police Chief Robert Bergeron

2. INVOCATION

Invocation given by Council Member Fisette.

3. PLEDGE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE STATE OF TEXAS FLAG

Mayor Rutledge led in the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag and to the State of Texas flag. At the conclusion of the pledges, Mayor Rutledge thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member Fisette made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Council Member Harrington.

Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte made a motion to amend the agenda to postpone Item number 5a - Student Recognition, seconded by Council Member Harrington.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte, Council Members Reed, Fisette, Harrington, and Gauthier.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Savoy.

5. STUDENT RECOGNITION

(a) Recognizing Bridge City students for their accomplishments

Postponed until next meeting.

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

7. REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM:

(a) City Manager

City Manager's report for Council:

He said he would like to tell the Council what the City Staff has been doing. He said he was making assessments on a lot of different things and he has also been speaking with Incode. He said he was getting reports that would go out to Council, cleaner reports instead of 200 pages.

He said he was making specialized reports for the Council. He said it would be the financials and the budgets so the Council could view that at a glance and get information without spending two hours. He said he was working with Incode because they have to specialize those reports. He said once that is done, they would have a summary report he would get out to the Council. He said he was trying to assess all the roads in the City, and water lines in the City and this would all go to the comprehensive report that they would work on as a group. He said he was getting the information now and when they started meeting, they would already have it.

(b.) City Council Report

Council Member Tammi Fisette said she looked forward to seeing the new reports and Council being able to see if this project was completed and if the City was below budget or above budget. She said she was looking forward to budget time.

Council Member Terri Gauthier said the Household Hazardous Waste and Scrape Tire Collection Event would be on Saturday, April 30, 2022, at the Buna High School Parking Lot from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

(c.) City Staff Report

Miscellaneous City Staff:

Kelle Miller gave a report for the Bridge City Public Library.

Planned Programs are as follows: Bayou Buddies for children 0-5 years old and she has 64 kids in attendance, Lego Club for children 6 years old and up beginning June 3rd and then all year long, school aged children Summer Reading Programs for the next 7 weeks.

Adult programs as follows: Wreath making class on June 7th in the morning and evening, Murder Mystery possible lasting several weeks.

Future programs as follows: sewing class for all ages.

Council Member Fisette said Kelle does a good job and please visit if you haven't already. She said the library had so many parents and kids at one time she would have meet in the Community Center.

Ms. Miller said last year she had over 100 kids sign up for the summer reading program.

Council Member Fisette said they have a classroom at the Library that Kelle utilizes. She said the kids have their handprints all over the wall. She said it is set up very nice and she thanked Ms. Miller and Ms. Montgomery. She said the Friends of the Library meetings were the first Thursday of the month.

Ms. Miller said it was the fourth Thursday of the Month at 5:30 p.m.

(d.) Mayor

Mayor David Rutledge had the following report:

1. Community Meeting regarding the levee will be Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at the Community Center.

8. ORDINANCES

(a) Consideration and possible action to approve Ordinance No. 2022-07 adopting regulations for game rooms in the city; providing for offenses; providing penalties for violation of the ordinance; providing for severability; providing an effective date; and providing for enforcement

Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2022-07 adopting regulations for game rooms in the city, seconded by Council Member Gauthier.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED:

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte, and Council Members Reed, Fisetto, Harrington, and Gauthier.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Savoy.

9. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION

(a) Consideration and possible action to approve minutes of the April 5, 2022 City Council Meeting

Council Member Gauthier made a motion to approve the April 5, 2022 City Council Meeting minutes, seconded by Council Member Reed.

With no corrections, additions, or deletions, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED:

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte, and Council Members Reed, Fisetto, Harrington, and Gauthier.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Savoy.

(b) Consideration and possible action to approve the Bill list for March 2022

Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte made a motion to approve the Bill list for the month of March 2022, seconded by Council Member Harrington.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED:

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte, and Council Members Reed, Fiset, Harrington, and Gauthier.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Savoy.

(c) Consideration and possible action to award a bid for the Sunnyside Water Well Project to J & S Water Wells in the amount of \$782,500

Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte made a motion to award the base bid only for the Sunnyside Water Well Project to J & S Water Wells in the amount of \$782,500, seconded by Council Member Reed.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED:

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte, and Council Members Reed, Fiset, Harrington, and Gauthier.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Savoy.

10. ADJOURN

Council Member Harrington made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m., seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED:

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Roccaforte, and Council Members Reed, Fiset, Harrington, and Gauthier.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Savoy.

David Rutledge, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanie McDowell, City Secretary