

AARON ROCCAFORTE <i>Council Member, Place 1</i>	DAVID RUTLEDGE <i>Mayor</i> 	PATTY COLLINS <i>Council Member, Place 4</i>
MIKE REED <i>Mayor Pro-Tem / Council Member, Place 2</i>		TERRI GAUTHIER <i>Council Member, Place 5</i>
TAMMI FISETTE <i>Council Member, Place 3</i>		SHERBY DIXON <i>Council Member, Place 6</i>

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF BRIDGE CITY
June 21, 2022

The City Council of Bridge City met in a meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at the City Hall of Bridge City, 260 Rachal, Bridge City, Texas.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

- Mayor David Rutledge
- Council Member Aaron Roccaforte
- Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Reed
- Council Member Patty Collins
- Council Member Terri Gauthier
- Council Member Sherby Dixon

CITY COUNCIL ABSENT: Council Member Tammi Fisette

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

- City Manager Brent Walker
- City Secretary Jeanie McDowell
- City Attorney Paul Fukuda
- Chief Tod McDowell
- Personnel/Purchasing Director Kim Tucker
- Assistant Finance Director Shelley Fields
- Public Works Director Mike Lund
- Utility Superintendent Mike Die

2. INVOCATION

Following the invocation given by City Attorney Paul Fukuda.

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 THE AGENDA

Council Member Roccaforte made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Council Member Reed.

With no changes, discussion, or alterations, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Reed, Council Members Roccaforte, Collins, Gauthier, and Dixon.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Fisette.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

6. REPORTS & COMMENTS

(a) City Manager

City Manager Brent Walker had the following report for Council:

Mr. Walker said he was working on a fiscal policy and other financial reports. He said if any of the Council Members would like to see any financial reports before July, he would give it to them. He said he was also working on the budget.

(b) City Council

None.

(c) City Staff

Mike Lund, Director of Public Works:

Mr. Lund told City Council that City Staff had a preconstruction meeting with LJA and the well company that would be working on the Sunnyside well. He said the contractor would start moving in equipment in about three weeks, so they could start on the well. He said it would be about three months out to begin the water testing, so the City would know if it was good water at that well site.

The IT person with Itron for the electronic meter reader system came in and was trying to convert over to a web-based system. He said the City would have to spend money to change out erts in the field that were bad so the system would work correctly. He said the Itron IT person was pinpointing some of the problems that the City was having, so the system would do better. He said the Itron IT person told the City he would be here every step of the way to

converting over to the Metra system. The Itron IT person said he would make sure the City staff would understand it.

He also said the University of Texas was at the Waste Water Plant doing a year long study on eels at the discharge ditch. He said it was a prime location where these eels' habitat.

He said he wanted Council to make a note that it is dry out and the water usage and the demand is higher than normal. He said the City is getting calls of discolored water and they are flushing as needed. He said they were trying not to waste a whole lot of water with the position the City is in with the well, but City Staff would be flushing. He said it is common. The City is having high demands, people are filling their pools up and watering their yards. He said the water is changing direction, it is scouring the pipes and that is where the discolored water is coming from. He said it is not pleasant to see but it happens and eventually the city would do a better job of not having this when there is another well in place.

Council Member Gauthier asked Mr. Lund what he meant when he said flushing as needed.

Mr. Lund said when someone calls the City and tells them they have discolored water, the water department would go out and access the situation and if they open a hose bib and it comes out discolored then they would go to the nearest fire hydrant and flush it until it clears up.

(d) Mayor David Rutledge report:

None.

7. RESOLUTION

(a) Consideration and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2022-09(R) authorizing the submittal of one or more DR-4485 HMGP applications to the Texas Division of Emergency Management, authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to act as the City's authorized representatives in all matters pertaining to the application, and committing matching funds.

Mr. Fukuda read Resolution No. 2022-09(R), in its entirety, to authorize the submittal of one or more DR-4485 HMGP applications to TDEM and authorizing Mayor and the City Manager to represent the City in all matters pertaining to the application and committing matching funds.

Council Member Gauthier made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-09(R) authorizing the submittal of one or more DR-4485 applications to TDEM and authorizing the Mayor and the City Manager to represent the City in all matters pertaining to the application and committing matching funds, seconded by Council Member Roccaforte.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Reed, Council Members Roccaforte, Collins, Gauthier, and Dixon.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Fisette.

8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION

(a) Consideration and possible action to approve the June 7, 2022 City Council meeting minutes

Mayor Pro-Tem Reed made a motion to approve the June 7, 2022 City Council Meeting minutes, seconded by Council Member Collins.

With no changes, discussion, or alterations, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Reed, Council Members Roccaforte, Collins, Gauthier, and Dixon.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Fisette.

(b) Consideration and possible action to approve City bills for the month of May 2022

Council Member Gauthier made a motion to approve the City bills for the month of May 2022, seconded by Council Member Dixon.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Reed, Council Members Roccaforte, Collins, Gauthier, and Dixon.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Fisette.

WORKSHOP SESSION

9. WORKSHOP ITEM FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

(a) Open Meeting Act training for the City Council

Mayor and City Council watched a video on the Public Information Act. The Council Members were presented a certificate of completion after the video was completed.

10. ADJOURN

Council Member Collins made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m., seconded by Council Member Roccaforte.

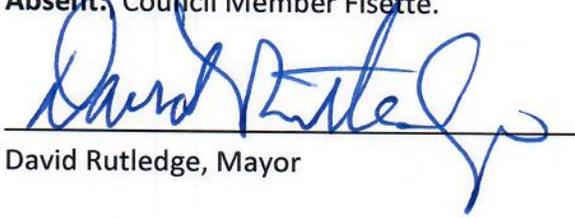
With no further discussion, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Reed, Council Members Roccaforte, Collins, Gauthier, and Dixon.

Noes: None.

Absent: Council Member Fisette.



David Rutledge, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jeanie McDowell, City Secretary

