

CARL HARBERT <i>Council Member, Place 1</i>	DAVID RUTLEDGE <i>Mayor</i>	ERIC ANDRUS <i>Mayor Pro-Tem/Council Member, Place 4</i>
KIRK ROCCAFORTE <i>Council Member, Place 2</i>		TERRI GAUTHIER <i>Council Member, Place 5</i>
TAMMI FISETTE <i>Council Member, Place 3</i>		LUCY FIELDS <i>Council Member, Place 6</i>

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND WORKSHOP MINUTES
CITY OF BRIDGE CITY
January 15, 2019

The City Council of Bridge City met in a regular session on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, 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
Mayor Pro-Tem Eric Andrus
Council Member Carl Harbert
Council Member Kirk Roccaforte
Council Member Tammi Fisette
Council Member Terri Gauthier
Council Member Lucy Fields

CITY COUNCIL ABSENT:

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager Jerry D. Jones
City Secretary Jeanie McDowell
City Attorney Paul M. Fukuda
Finance Director Karen Morgan
Personnel/Purchasing Director Mitzi Nolan
Assistant Police Chief Brad Frye
Utility Superintendent Mike Lund
Asst. Utility Superintendent Mike Die

2. INVOCATION

Invocation given by Council Member Terri Gauthier.

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 Fields made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Council Member Gauthier.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

5. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

(a) City Manager

City Manager Jerry Jones had the following report for Council:

1. The sewer line replacement project has started again and hopefully the weather will allow the City to keep moving on that. The City has 13 done so far, and is moving pretty well now.
2. The gradall has been down for a week or so because, the hydraulic valve body went out. The City has ordered another one and has it in and is being put back together now. Hopefully, it will be back into operation before the end of the week.

(b) City Council

Council Member Carl Harbert

1. Congratulated Mayor Pro-Tem Eric Andrus for his award

Council Member Tammi Fiset

1. Congratulated Mayor Pro-Tem Eric Andrus
2. Thanked the Chamber for the Taste of the Bayou, it was very nice
3. Also, congratulated Olson Engineering being named Business of the Year
4. Road work at Texas and Roundbunch is smooth and you do not have to stop to go over it
5. Update on the agenda item that was assigned to Council Member Fiset, Ms. Sherry Parker that was approved for the sewer line replacement project, she is still waiting. Ms. Parker is good with the communication part of it. This one that has been assigned to Council Member Fiset is still an open case

Council Member Fields

1. Congratulated Mike Lund for being employee of the month for the Chamber of Commerce for January
2. Congratulated Mayor Pro-Tem Eric Andrus for being Citizen of the Year
3. Congratulated Jason Withers as he was Student of the Month for the Chamber of Commerce and he also won 2nd place in Current Events and 5th place in Social Studies in U.I.L. Council Member Fields wanted it on record to show that he was congratulated at the City Council Meeting

(d) Mayor

Mayor David Rutledge had the following report:

This is the 1st meeting of the year and welcomed everyone back.

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

7. RESOLUTION

- (a) Consideration and possible action to approve Ordinance No. 2019-01 authorizing municipal participation in regulatory proceedings of ETI (Entergy Texas Inc.) at the Public Utility Commission of Texas in 2019**

Mr. Fukuda read Ordinance No. 2019-01, caption only, authorizing municipal participation in regulatory proceedings of ETI at the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus made a motion to pass Ordinance No. 2019-01, seconded by Council Member Fields.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

8. RESOLUTION

(a) Discussion and consideration of possible action to approve Resolution No. 2019-01(R) appointing/reappointing the Municipal Judge

Mr. Fukuda read Resolution No. 2019-01(R), in its entirety, reappointing Bill Dixon, Jr. to the Municipal Judge position.

Council Member Harbert made a motion to accept Resolution No. 2019-01(R), as read reappointing Bill Dixon, Jr. as Municipal Judge, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

(b) Discussion and consideration of possible action to approve Resolution No. 2019-02(R) appointing/reappointing the Associate Municipal Judge

Mr. Fukuda read Resolution No. 2019-02(R), in its entirety, reappointing Ida Schossow to the Associate Municipal Judge position.

Council Member Gauthier made a motion to accept Resolution No. 2019-02(R), as read reappointing Ida Schossow as Associate Municipal Judge, seconded by Council Member Roccaforte.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

(c) Discussion and consideration of possible action to approve Resolution No. 2019-03(R) appointing/reappointing the Municipal Judge

Mr. Fukuda read Resolution No. 2019-03(R), in its entirety, reappointing Paul M. Fukuda to the City Attorney position.

Council Member Fields made a motion to accept Resolution No. 2019-03(R), as read reappointing Paul M. Fukuda as City Attorney, seconded by Council Member Fisette.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

(d) Discussion and consideration of possible action to approve Resolution No. 2019-04(R) appointing/reappointing the Municipal Judge

Mr. Fukuda read Resolution No. 2019-04(R), in its entirety, reappointing Jeanie McDowell to the City Secretary position.

Council Member Fields made a motion to accept Resolution No. 2019-04(R), as read reappointing Jeanie McDowell as City Secretary, seconded by Council Member Roccaforte.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

9. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION

(a) Consideration and possible action to approve minutes of December 4, 2018 City Council Meeting

Council Member Gauthier made a motion to approve minutes of December 4, 2018 City Council Meeting, seconded by Council Member Fields.

With no questions, additions, or alterations, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

(b) Consideration and possible action to approve the City bills for the months of November 2018 and December 2018

Council Member Fields made a motion to approve the City bills for the months of November 2018 and December 2018, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

(c) Consideration and possible action to make an appointment to the Planning and Zoning Commission due to Louis Davis's resignation

Council Member Fields made a motion to appoint Elaine Hearn to fill Louis Davis's unexpired term to the Planning and Zoning Commission, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus.

Council Member Harbert asked if she was a realtor. Mayor Rutledge told Council Member Harbert that Ms. Hearn is a realtor.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

10. ADJOURN

Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m., seconded by Council Member Gauthier.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Andrus, Council Members Harbert, Roccaforte, Fisette, Gauthier and Fields.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

David Rutledge, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanie McDowell, City Secretary