

CARL HARBERT <i>Council Member, Place 1</i>	DAVID RUTLEDGE <i>Mayor</i>	DANNY HARRINGTON <i>Council Member, Place 4</i>
KIRK ROCCAFORTE <i>Council Member, Place 2</i>		TERRI GAUTHIER <i>Mayor Pro-Tem/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
July 8, 2019

The City Council of Bridge City met in a regular session on Monday, July 8, 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 Terri Gauthier
Council Member Carl Harbert
Council Member Kirk Roccaforte
Council Member Tammi Fisette
Council Member, Place 4 Vacant
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
Utility Superintendent Mike Lund
Assistant Utility Superintendent Mike Die

2. INVOCATION

Invocation given by Council Member Tammi 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 Fields made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Gauthier.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

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

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION

(a) *Consideration and possible action of the acceptance of a written resignation from Eric Andrus, Council Member, Place 4*

Council Member Fields made a motion to accept Eric Andrus, Council Member, Place 4 written resignation, seconded by Council Member Fisette.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

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

Noes: None.

Absent: None

6. ADJOURN TO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

(a) *City Council to go into closed executive session pursuant to the provision of Chapter 551.074 of the Texas Government Code to discuss personnel matters relating to appointment to fill vacancy on City Council, Place 4, as required by the City Charter, Section 3.06(a)*

Mayor Rutledge asked the audience to please leave the council chambers while Council went into

Closed Executive Session. He opened the executive session at 6:05 p.m. to deliberate the appointment to fill vacancy on City Council, Place 4.

7. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

(a) *City Council will reconvene into open session for possible discussion and/or possible action regarding an appointment to fill vacancy on City Council, Place 4*

Mayor Rutledge reconvened the Council Meeting into open session at 6:20 p.m.

Council Member Harbert made a motion to appoint Bobby Tupper to fill the unexpired term of Place 4, seconded by Council Member Fisette.

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

MOTION FAILED.

Ayes: Council Members Harbert and Fisette.

Noes: Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Gauthier, Council Members Roccaforte and Fields.

Absent: None.

Council Member Roccaforte made a motion to appoint Danny Harrington to fill the unexpired term of Place 4, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Gauthier.

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

MOTION CARRIED:

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

Noes: Council Members Harbert and Fisette.

Absent: None.

8. RESOLUTION

(a) *Consideration and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2019-17(R) confirming the appointment of appointed Council Member to fill the vacancy on Council, Place 4*

Mr. Fukuda read Resolution No. 2019-17(R) in its entirety.

Council Member Harbert made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2019-17(R) as read, seconded by Council Member Fields.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

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

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

9. CONDUCT SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF APPOINTED COUNCIL MEMBER TO THE POSITION OF COUNCIL MEMBER, PLACE 4

City Attorney Paul Fukuda swore in Danny Harrington as Council Member, Place 4. Council Member Harrington then took his seat on Council. The audience acknowledged Mr. Harrington with their applause.

Mayor Rutledge welcomed Mr. Harrington to Council.

10. ADJOURN

Council Member Harrington made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m., seconded by Council Member Fields.

MOTION CARRIED.

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

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

David Rutledge, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanie McDowell, City Secretary