

City of Big Sandy

Big Sandy, Texas 75755

MINUTES TO REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, September 17th, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

The City Council for the City of Big Sandy met in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 17th, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Parsons called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
 - a. **Invocation** – Mr. Michael Baggett
 - b. **Pledge of Allegiance** -
 - c. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Parsons, Michael Baggett, Becky Desborough, Andrew McIver and Rex Rozell.
 - d. **STAFF PRESENT:** Laura Rex, Scott Rogers, and Chief Tim Scott.
 - e. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Linda Baggett, Kenny Brynell, Dwayne Canup, Joy Lanham Clark, Ashleigh Day, Christina Jones, Vol. Fire Dept. Chief Jeff Jones, Randy Jones, Derrick Menafee, James Peterson, Ellis Stewart, Samuel Vanderford, David Waller, and Stephen Winchell.
2. **Citizen Participation:** Joy Lanham Clark provided feedback to the city council regarding her recent Civic Center rental.
3. **Public Hearing:** The public hearing for the consideration of granting a variance for a house located at 401 N Tyler Street was opened at 6:05 p.m. David Waller, Ellis Stewart, and Ashleigh Day all spoke regarding their support of the requested variance. The public hearing was closed at 6:26 p.m.
5. **Discussion/Action Items:**
 - c. **W Kay Street: 401 N Tyler Variance:** After discussion, Rozell moved to approve **Resolution 2019-019** granting the variance application of David Waller for 401 N Tyler Street allowing the house to remain as built, encroaching onto an undeveloped portion of West Kay Street. Baggett seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
4. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. Minutes of August 20, 2019 City Council Meeting
 - b. Minutes of August 27, 2019 City Council Meeting
 - c. Minutes of September 3, 2019 City Council Meeting
 - d. Financial Reports for August 2019Desborough moved to approve the consent agenda as corrected and Baggett seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
5. **Discussion/Action Items:**
 - a. **Volunteer Fire Dept:**

- i. Chief Jeff Jones reported the arrival of new hoses and color coded nozzles. No council action taken.
 - ii. Medical Expenses for Samuel Vanderford: Vanderford experienced a hard fall during a retreat at a fire on September 9, 2019. After discussion, McIver moved to self-pay all medical expenses related to his minor injuries and Baggett seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- b. **Dwayne Canup: Water Connections T & P Avenue:** Mr. Canup has requested water to be connected to 3 small travel trailers through a current water meter located on T & P Avenue. Attorney Davis will research the request. No council action taken.
- c. **W Kay Street: 401 N Tyler Variance:** See council action above.
- d. **Civic Center:**
 - i. **Air Conditioning Repairs:** Rozell presented 3 bids for replacement air conditioning units for the auditorium and the kitchen near the auditorium as follows:
 - 1. East Texas Refrigeration: \$13,350
 - 2. Garland's Indoor Comfort: \$10,225
 - 3. JD's A/C: \$10,730
 After discussion, Desborough moved to award the bid to Garland's Indoor Comfort for \$10,225 and McIver seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
 - ii. **Oven Replacement:** Rozell moved to approve the cost of purchase a new double oven with installation not to exceed \$2,500 and Desborough seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- e. **City Park Restroom Repairs:** Rozell moved to table this item and McIver seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- f. **Municipal Development District:**
 - i. **Board of Directors Appointment:** At 6:59 p.m., the council went into Executive Session to discuss the board of directors appointment created by Don Cochran's resignation. at 7:21, the council returned to open session. McIver moved to appoint Cindy Hooser to the Municipal Development District Board of Directors with a term ending in February of 2021 and Desborough seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
 - ii. **Fountain Installation:** Parsons presented 3 bids as follows:
 - 1. C & B Electric: \$4,998.40
 - 2. Hill Electric: \$4,500.00
 - 3. Texas Certified Electrical: \$5,600.00
 After discussion, Desborough moved to award the bid to Hill Electric for \$4,500 and McIver seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.

g. Police Department:

- i. **Monthly Report:** Chief Scott gave the activity report for the month of August.
- ii. **Purchase of new radios:** Due to the recent upgrade to digital radio communication by Upshur County, the department's radios, which are more than 10 years old, are not working. Chief Scott presented a bid to purchase the same radios recommended for Upshur County's new digital system, the Harris XG-15P at a per unit price of \$1,232.63. After discussion, Rozell moved to approve the purchase of 3 Harris XG-15P radios for a total cost of \$3,697.89 and Baggett seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.

h. Water/Wastewater:

- i. **Monthly Report:** Scott Rogers reviewed the monthly report.
 - ii. **Purchase of new pump: Allen Lift Station:** Rozell moved to approve the purchase of the new pump from Smith Pump for \$1,617 and McIver seconded. Baggett, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Desborough abstained. Motion carried 3-0-1.
 - iii. **Purchase of pipe extension: Wastewater Treatment Plant:** Rozell moved to approve the purchase of the pipe from Smith Pump for \$1,127 and McIver seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
 - iv. **Street Repairs Requests:** No council action taken.
- i. **Resolution: 9-1-1 Addressing Contract with East Texas Council of Governments for 10.01.19 - 09.30.20:** Desborough moved to approve **Resolution 2019-020** approving the contract at a cost of \$687.40 and Baggett seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- j. **Resolution: Interlocal Cooperation Contract for the Failure to Appear Program:** Baggett moved to approve **Resolution 2019-021** approving the contract and McIver seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- k. **Resolution: Upshur Co. Emergency Services District #1 Firefighting Services for 10.01.19 - 09.30.20:** Baggett moved to approve **Resolution 2019-022** approving the contract at a fee of \$30,000 and Rozell seconded. Baggett, Desborough, McIver and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- l. **Upcoming Events:**
- i. Heritage Center Events: Andrew McIver updated the council with the current events at the Heritage Center: Healthier You class on October 3, 2019.
 - ii. Park Survey Meeting: September 24, 2019 at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.
 - iii. National Night Out: October 1, 2019 at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

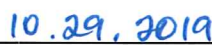
6. **Adjourn:** There being no further posted business before this Council, Desborough moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and Rozell seconded.



Sonny Parsons, Mayor



Laura M. Rex, City Secretary



Date