

City of Big Sandy

Big Sandy, Texas 75755

MINUTES TO MEETING

July 19, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

The City Council for the City of Big Sandy met in Regular Session on July 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., at the City of Big Sandy Heritage Center, 162 E. Gilmer Street, Big Sandy, Texas.

Call to Order: Mayor Rozell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- a. **Invocation** – Laura Rex
- b. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Linda Baggett
- c. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Rex Rozell, Linda Baggett, David Fonteno, Christine Jones, Kerry Rickard and Chase Sheeley.
- d. **STAFF PRESENT:** City Attorney Robert Davis, David Easterling, Laura Rex and Scott Rogers.
- e. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Rickey Caughron, Vanessa Ervin, Evangeline Hordge Montgomery, Charlie and Carolyn Langford, Matt & Victoria Oswalt, Latonya Ross and Michael Wilson.

Citizen Comment: Vanessa Ervin addressed the council regarding the difficulty she had downloading the city app from the app store on her phone and doing more to make people aware of it.

Items of Community Interest: None.

Consent Agenda & Agenda Items:

1. **Volunteer Fire Department: Monthly Report:** City Secretary Rex presented the monthly report on behalf of Chief Stephen Winchell, who was unable to attend due to an illness.
2. **Bobbie Mitchell Drive request: Proposed name change for Roberts Street:** Mayor Rozell has contacted the Fisher family about possibly changing Bryan Street to Bobbie Mitchell Drive and they requested it not be changed. Baggett volunteered to research a possible resolution adopting a city policy about naming streets in honor or memoriam. No action taken.
3. **Building Permit: Isaiah Langford: 701 N Hamil:** Baggett moved to approve the permit and Rickard seconded. Baggett, Fonteno, Jones, Rickard and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
4. **Robert Erisman: Sidewalks on W Groves Street:** Mr. Erisman was not present. No action taken.
5. **Victoria Oswalt: Traffic Concerns on E Groves Street:** Ms. Oswalt addresses the council regarding speeding on E Groves Street. Chief Easterling indicated the police department would monitor the traffic when possible. No action taken.
6. **Police Department: Monthly Report:** Chief Easterling presented the monthly report.
7. **Police Department: Painting @ 203 E Gilmer Street:** Rickard moved to accept the bid of \$3,281.25 from Tommy Monk and Sheeley seconded. Baggett, Fonteno, Jones, Rickard and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
8. **Public Works Department: Monthly Report:** Mr. Rogers presented the monthly report.

9. **Public Works: 1997 Ford F250 ¾ ton Truck:** Fonteno moved to declare this vehicle as surplus equipment to be sold and Rickard seconded. Baggett, Fonteno, Jones, Rickard and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
10. **Public Works: Well Repairs @ T & P Wellyard:** No action taken.
11. **Mayor: Street Repairs:** Mayor Rozell reported Upshur County has notified us of a price increase for the patching and repaving of the following streets: Lyles/Dial, the corner of E. Cotton, and Groves toward Applegate Park. No action taken.
12. **City Secretary: Nominations for ETCOG Officers and Executive Committee:** Sheeley moved to nominate Vanessa Ervin and Jones seconded. Baggett, Fonteno, Jones, Rickard and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
13. **City Secretary: Nominations to the Board of Trustees of the Texas Municipal League:** No action taken.
14. **City Secretary: Resolution appointing Upshur County Tax Assessor to calculate the no-new revenue tax rate and voter approval rate as required by Texas Tax Code 26.04:** Rickard moved to approve **Resolution 2022-009** appointing the Upshur Co. Tax Assessor and Fonteno seconded. Baggett, Fonteno, Jones, Rickard and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
15. **City Secretary: October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023 Budget for all city departments:** No action taken.
16. **City Secretary: Financial Reports for June 2022:** Fonteno moved to approve the financial reports as presented and Rickard seconded. Baggett, Fonteno, Jones, Rickard and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
17. **City Secretary: Minutes of Meeting(s): June 21, 2022:** Rickard moved to approve the minutes as presented and Fonteno seconded. Baggett, Fonteno, Jones, Rickard and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
18. **City Administrator: Appointment of Alternate Municipal Judge:** Jones moved to only have court one night per month and Sheeley seconded. Baggett, Fonteno, Jones, Rickard and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
19. **City Administrator Monthly Report:** Administrator Rex presented the monthly report.

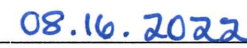
Adjourn: There being no further posted business before this Council, Fonteno moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. and Baggett seconded.



Rex Rozell, Mayor



Laura M. Rex, City Secretary



Date