City of Big Sandy

Big Sandy, Texas 75755

MINUTES TO MEETING July 11, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

The City Council for the City of Big Sandy met in Special Session on July 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., at the City of Big Sandy Heritage Center, 162 E. Gilmer Street, Big Sandy, Texas.

<u>Call to Order:</u> Mayor Baggett called the special session meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- a. Invocation George Strub
- **b.** Pledge of Allegiance Chase Sheeley
- **c. MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Linda Baggett, Sally Allen, David Fonteno, Rex Rozell and Chase Sheeley.
- **d. STAFF PRESENT:** Chief David Easterling, Laura Rex, and Public Works Director Rocky Ware.
- **e. OTHERS PRESENT:** Chief Deputy David Hazel, George Strub, Christine Jones and Michael Wilson.

Public Comment: George Strub addressed the council regarding the Big Sandy Rotary Banquet rescheduled for July 24, 2023.

Consent Agenda & Agenda Items:

- 1. Volunteer Fire Department: Monthly Report: Fire Chief Stephen Winchell was not present.
- 2. Utility Bill Adjustment: Thomas Massey: 306 Clover Lane: Sheeley moved to approve an adjustment of \$232.50 and Fonteno seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- **3. Police Department: Monthly Report:** Chief Easterling presented the monthly report. Allen suggested a year to year comparison for the monthly activity report.
- **4. Police Department: Upshur Co. Computer Assisted Dispatch:** Fonteno moved to approve **Resolution #2023-018** approving the Interlocal Agreement with the Upshur Co. Sheriff's Department regarding the mobile CAD access program. Sheeley seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- 5. Police Department: Electrical Repairs/Generator: Chief Easterling will request bids for the upgrade of his electrical panel and connecting the air conditioning unit at the PD to the generator. No action taken.
- **6. Public Works Department: Monthly Report:** Rocky Ware presented the monthly report.
- 7. Public Works Department: Emergency Bills for June 2023 Severe Weather Incident: Ms. Rex requested the payment of the following bills from the week-long severe weather incident June 17 June 24, 2023: Ballard Electric: \$4,500; City of Longview (Clifford Power Systems): \$8,000 and Jet Septic: \$12,000. Sheeley moved to approve the payments and Allen seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.

- **8.** Public Works Department: Pump Repair & Replacement: Rozell moved to approve the repair of a pump at the wastewater treatment plant at a cost not to exceed \$3,000 and Sheeley seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- 9. Street Repairs: Mayor: Fonteno moved to approve the repair of the concrete culvert that has collapsed on S. Pearl Street at a cost of \$6,635 and Sheeley seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- **10. Financial Reports for June 2023:** Rozell moved to approve the June 2023 financials and Fonteno seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- 11. **Minutes of Meeting: June 20, 2023:** Fonteno moved to approve the June 20, 2023 minutes and Sheeley seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- 12. **Employee Health Insurance for FYE 09.30.2024:** Ms. Rex presented some options for the rerate for health, dental and life insurance for the employees for the fiscal year ending 09.30.2024. No action taken.
- 13. Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2024 Budget: No action taken.
- 14. **City Administrator Report:** Administrator Rex presented her monthly reports and updates, including several acknowledgements of service by city employees and elected officials for their service to the community during the severe weather event.
- 15. **Mayor: Mayor's Report & Updates:** Mayor Baggett expressed her appreciation for many in the community for their service during the severe weather event and announced a tentative town hall meeting on July 25, 2023.

Adjourn: There being no further posted business before this Council, Fonteno moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. and Sheeley seconded.

Linda C. Baggett, Mayor

Laura M. Rex, City Secretary

08.15.2023

Date