

City of Big Sandy

Big Sandy, Texas 75755

MINUTES TO MEETING December 19, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

The City Council for the City of Big Sandy met in Regular Session on December 19, 2023, at 6:02 p.m., at the City of Big Sandy Heritage Center, 162 E. Gilmer Street, Big Sandy, Texas.

Call to Order: Mayor Baggett called the regular session meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

- a. **Invocation** – George Strub
- b. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Rex Rozell
- c. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Linda Baggett, Sally Allen, David Fonteno, Rex Rozell and Chase Sheeley.
- d. **STAFF PRESENT:** Police Chief David Easterling, City Administrator/City Secretary Laura Rex, Utility Clerk Sarah Strub and Public Works Director Rocky Ware.
- e. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Assistant Fire Chief Keane Kaiser and George Strub.

Public Comment: Mayor Baggett highlighted the beautiful Christmas decorations and recognized the efforts of the employees and volunteers who refurbished and installed them. She also mentioned the dates of several upcoming community events.

Agenda Items:

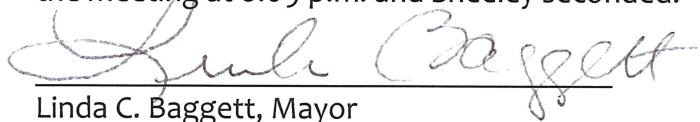
1. **Little Taylor, Nicole: Speed bumps on West Grove:** was not present. Rozell moved to table this item and Fonteno seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.

David Fonteno arrived at 6:07 p.m.

2. **Volunteer Fire Department: Monthly Report:** Assistant Fire Chief Keane Kaiser presented the monthly report.
3. **Vol. Fire Dept.: Texas A & M Forestry Service Grant:** Sheeley moved to accept the \$20,000 fire & rescue reimbursable equipment grant as awarded and approve the purchase of the TNT spreader/cutter package at an estimated cost of \$33,780. Fonteno seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
4. **Vol. Fire Dept.: Texas A & M Forestry Service Grant:** Rozell moved to accept the \$10,000 training aids reimbursable grant as awarded and authorize the purchase of a forcible-entry door at a total cost of up to \$10,500 and Sheeley seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
5. **Vol. Fire Dept.: Texas A & M Forestry Service Grant:** Sheeley moved to accept the \$8,400 dry hydrant reimbursable grant as awarded and Rozell seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
6. **Police Department: Monthly Report:** Chief Easterling presented the monthly report.
7. **Police Dept.: Unit 301 2015 White Ford Sedan Repairs:** Fonteno moved to approve the repairs at a quoted price from JO Williams of \$5,602.22 and Rozell seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.

8. **Police Dept.: Storage Building Painting:** Sheeley moved to approve the painting at a quoted price of \$1,950 from C & C Painting and Fonteno seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
9. **Public Works Department: Monthly Report:** Public Works Director Rocky ware presented the monthly report.
10. **Public Works Dept.: 205 E Gilmer Roof Repairs:** Fonteno moved to approve the repairs at a quoted price of \$3,600 from Langford Roofing and Sheeley seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
11. **Public Works Dept.: College St Pump Repairs:** Rozell moved to approve the repairs at an estimated cost of \$5,278 from York Pump and Sheeley seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
12. **Purchase of Upshur Co. Appraisal District Property ID's #18330 & 20105:** Mayor Baggett is still working on this item as previously approved. No action taken.
13. **Mayor: Sound Equipment for Civic Center @ 612 N Tyler:** Mayor Baggett is working with Anthony Fail on securing bids for the sound equipment. No action taken.
14. **Financial Reports for November 2023:** Sheeley moved to approve the November 2023 financials and Rozell seconded. Fonteno briefly stepped away from the table. Allen, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye; Fonteno was absent during the vote. Motion carried 3-0-0.
15. **Minutes of Meeting: November 21, 2023 and December 11, 2023:** Sheeley moved to approve the minutes with corrections and Allen seconded. Rozell briefly stepped away from the table. Allen, Fonteno & Sheeley voted aye; Rozell was absent during the vote. Motion carried 3-0-0.
16. **Resolution Adopting 2024 Holidays and Pay Dates:** Sheeley moved to approve **Resolution #2023-033** adopting the holidays and pay dates for 2024 and Rozell seconded. Allen, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
17. **City Secretary: Ordinance Recodification Update:** Ms. Rex provided an update. January 11, 2024 was set as a workshop date to work on the recodification.
18. **City Administrator Report:** Administrator Rex presented her monthly reports and updates.
19. **Executive Session:** The council entered into executive session at 7:47 p.m. to discuss the real estate located at 100 & 102 N Tyler Street.
20. **Open Session:** The council returned to open session at 8:07 p.m. No action taken.
21. **Mayor's Report & Updates:** Mayor Baggett gave several updates.

Adjourn: There being no further posted business before this Council, Fonteno moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. and Sheeley seconded.


 Linda C. Baggett, Mayor


 Laura M. Rex, City Secretary

01.16.2024
 Date