

City of Big Sandy

Big Sandy, Texas 75755

MINUTES TO MEETING

December 17, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

The City Council for the City of Big Sandy met in Regular Session on December 17, 2024 at 6:00 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 6:00 p.m.

- a. **Invocation** – Rex Rozell
- b. **Pledge of Allegiance** –Chase Sheeley
- c. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Linda Baggett, Trey Beahm, David Fonteno, Rex Rozell and Chase Sheeley.
- d. **STAFF PRESENT:** Chief of Police David Easterling, City Administrator/City Secretary Laura Rex, Sarah Strub and Rocky Ware with Public Works.
- e. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Janet Beahm, Nacole Eaton, Joanne Gonzalez, Lupe Gonzalez, Cindy Hooser, Bryan McMenemy, Sherry Perry, Jasmine Powell, Chaffin Smith, Rebecca Strub, George Strub and VFD President Samuel Vanderford.

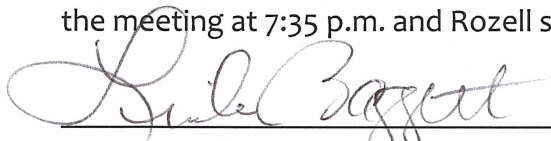
Public Comment: George Strub, Big Sandy ISD School Board member, announced that Big Sandy ISD has received a \$916,000 technology grant to improve the technology in the schools.

Agenda Items:

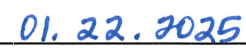
1. **Vol. Fire Department: Monthly Report:** Samuel Vanderford presented the report, including their work on weatherization.
2. **Utility Bill Adjustment: Cindy Hooser: 320 E Cotton:** Rozell moved to adjust her bill to \$189.00 (a \$278.30 reduction) and Sheeley seconded. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
3. **Water/Sewer Tap Permit: Nacole Eaton: 408 N Pearl:** Sheeley moved to approve the tap permits at a cost not to exceed \$6,750 (the amount for the first bid received) which includes boring under the road to install the taps. Once a 2nd bid is received, Mr. Rocky Ware can award to the lowest bidding contractor. Rozell seconded. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
4. **Building Permit: Nacole Eaton: 408 N Pearl:** Fonteno moved to approve the building permit as presented and Sheeley seconded. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
5. **Bryan McMenemy: Temporary Placement of RV's at Upshur Co. Appraisal District Property ID #18257:** Fonteno moved to approve a final 6 (six) month extension for the temporary placement of 2 (two) RV's at this location and Sheeley seconded. Beahm requested Mr. McMenemy provide a status update at the March 18, 2025 meeting. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.

6. **Joanne Gonzalez: 657 N Pearl Street: Lot 1:** Mrs. Gonzalez asked the city council to: “properly enter city attorney Barry Wallace 1/19/2016 letter into official record by motioning and passing – other actions as determined per discussions of items.” Discussion stopped when Mrs. Gonzalez stated she had retained an attorney. Fonteno moved to table this request until the city council hears from City Attorney Robert Davis. Beahm seconded. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
7. **Police Department: Monthly Report:** Chief Easterling presented the monthly report.
8. **Police Department: Purchase of 2 computers:** Rozell moved to approve the purchase of 1 refurbished computer at \$849 and a new computer at \$799 and Fonteno seconded. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
9. **Public Works: Monthly Report:** Rocky Ware presented the monthly report, including an update from Rebecca Strub on the Utility Locating Project.
10. **Financial Reports for November 2024:** Sheeley moved to approve the financials and Beahm seconded. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
11. **Minutes for November 19th and December 9th, 2024 Meetings:** Beahm moved to approve the November 19th minutes as presented and the December 9th minutes with the correction of removing one name from the list of those in attendance. Rozell seconded. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
12. **Resolution: Approving application for Kroger opioid settlement:** Fonteno moved to approve **Resolution #2024-020** approving the application to join in the Kroger opioid settlement and Sheeley seconded. Beahm, Fonteno, Rozell and Sheeley voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
13. **City Administrator Report:** Administrator Rex presented her monthly reports and updates.
14. **Mayor’s Report & Updates:** Mayor Baggett gave updates and the dates of several community events.

Adjourn: There being no further posted business before this Council, Sheeley moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. and Rozell seconded.


Linda C. Baggett, Mayor


Laura M. Rex, City Secretary


Date