

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF BRAZORIA

The City of Brazoria convened in a Workshop on February 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. & a Regular Meeting on February 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. with the following to-witt:

Gary Kersh	Mayor Pro-Tem
Gail Logsdon	Council Position #2
Roger Shugart	Council Position #4
Susan Swanner Parker	Council Position #5

City Personnel:

Teresa Borders	City Manager
Sheila Williams	City Secretary
Neal Longbotham	Police Chief
David Jordan	Public Works Director
Bill James	City Judge
Duane Stahl	Fire Chief

A. CALL TO ORDER WORKSHOP.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh called the Workshop to order at 5:30 p.m.

B. DISCUSSION ON ITEMS BELOW LISTED IN REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh went through the list of items on the agenda.

No comments on agenda item G.

Item H- Councilwoman Parker asked about the junk sitting out on property and where was Mr. Edwards at from last month's meeting.

Item I- City Manager Borders explained the street easement. Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh explained no traffic would be able to come through Tammy Cleveland property also. Public Works Director Jordan explained there is no issue with utilities.

Item J – Public Works Director Jordan explained this is a multi-million Dollar deal. They are laying fiber optic cable.

Item K – Public Works Director Jordan explained they are cutting out a small piece of the property. He also explained where the connecting lines are. Rochelle Hicks asked about the state regulations. Bubba Davis said it is 25 ft. off of highway.

Item L – City Manager Borders explained this is something that has to be done yearly.

Councilwoman Parker asked if council could meet with the auditor. City Manager Borders said yes.

Item M – no comment

Item N – Jesse Knight handed out a picture of a driveway area that goes in front of a Food Trailer. Councilwoman Logsdon asked who rents and who owns the property.

Item O – City Manager Borders explained the Inter-local agreement. Councilwoman Parker asked if we could get a list of roads for last 2 years and map out. If you maintenance pot holes correctly then they will be fixed. She also asked about how does the city map out streets that need fixing? City Manager Borders explained the culverts and drainage are done first.

Item P – City Manager Borders explained this is the ordinance we have been having workshops on.

Q – no comment

C. ADJOURN WORKSHOP AND CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh adjourned workshop at 5:50 p.m. and called to order regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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D. INVOCATION TO BE GIVEN BY PASTOR RICK MOORE OF BRAZORIA CHURCH OF CHRIST AND THE PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN AND TEXAS FLAGS BY ALL.

Pastor Moore of Brazoria Church of Christ gave the invocation and the pledge to the American & Texas flags was led by Boy Scout.

E. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS; REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 9, 2018, SPECIAL MEETING & WORKSHOP, JANUARY 22, 2018 AND WORKSHOP, FEBRUARY 6, 2018.

Motion was made by Councilman Shugart to approve the minutes of the following meetings; Regular Meeting, January 9, 2018, Special Meeting & Workshop, January 22, 2018 and Workshop, February 6, 2018. A second was made by Councilwoman Logsdon. Motion carried unanimously.

F. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION.

No comments

G. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO PRESENT PROCLAMATION TO THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY OF BRAZORIA UNIT 561.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh had City Attorney Stevenson read the proclamation and all the council took a picture presenting the American Legion Auxiliary receiving it.

H. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE MOBILE HOME PERMIT FOR ELROY EDWARDS AT 601 AUSTIN STREET.

Councilwoman Parker asked where he was last month. He explained his job. Public Works Director Jordan explained this is replacing a trailer that was flooded last year. Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve mobile home permit for Elroy Edwards at 601 Austin Street. A second was made by Councilwoman Parker. Motion carried unanimously.

I. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE ROAD CLOSURE FOR MICHAEL BROOKS ON 60 FT. ROAD EASEMENT THAT DISECTS BETWEEN LOT 9H1A.

Motion was made by Councilman Shugart to approve road closure for Michael Brooks on 60 Ft. road easement that dissects between Lot 9H1A. A second was made by Councilwoman Parker. Motion carried unanimously.

J. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO HEAR PRESENTATION FROM BTEL ON FIBER OPTIC CABLE.

Gil Rasco introduced Randy Hall. Mr. Hall explained BTEL is going door to door and getting permission from residents to lay fiber optic cable through the yard to house. This will enable each resident whether a customer now or in the future to offers. They are planning on having 2900 homes finished by 12/31/2018. This will also increase the value of your home.

Councilman Shugart asked about wiring home for fiber optics. Mr. Hall said when they get finished each home will have a dedicated line. Councilwoman Parker asked about other entities coming in. Mr. Hall explained this is moving past what they offer and into the next generation. They are welcome to come in. Councilwoman Logsdon said they are awesome and we are lucky to be serviced by BTEL. Chief Longbotham asked if they have ID's when going to homes. Mr. Hall said yes.

K. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE RE-PLAT FOR MATT SMITH AT 1206 S. BROOKS STREET, BRAZORIA, TEXAS.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve re-plat for Matt Smith at 1206 S. Brooks Street, Brazoria Texas. A second was made by Councilwoman Parker. Motion carried unanimously.

L. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-002 ADOPTING INVESTMENT POLICY.

Councilwoman Parker asked if she could view the report. Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve resolution #18-002 adopting investment policy. A second was made by Councilman Shugart. Motion carried unanimously.

M. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO H-GAC GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to appoint Councilwoman Parker as representative and Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh as alternate to H-GAC General Assembly. A second was made by Councilman Shugart. Motion passed with Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh, Councilwoman Logsdon and Councilman Shugart voting aye. Councilwoman Parker voted nay. Motion passed with a 3-1 vote.

N. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO HEAR FROM FOOD TRAILER COMMITTEE.

No report, Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to take no action from food trailer committee. A second was made by Councilman Shugart. Motion carried unanimously.

O. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF BRAZORIA AND BRAZORIA COUNTY FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE.

Councilwoman Parker asked who can and is putting this list of streets together. City Manager Borders explained she and Public Works Director does. Motion was made by Councilman Shugart to approve inter-local agreement between City of Brazoria and Brazoria County for road and bridge. A second was made by Councilwoman Logsdon. Motion passed with Logsdon, Shugart and Parker voting aye and Kersh abstaining. Motion passed with a 3 – 1 vote.

P. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE #18-003 PROVIDING REGULATIONS TO SALVAGE YARDS, MOTOR VEHICLE STORAGE YARDS AND MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR BUSINESSES.

City Manager Borders explained after the workshops and input from everyone this ordinance is the final. Councilwoman Parker asked if this also will cover the junk yard across from the old Mr. B's. Chief Longbotham explained together with Code Enforcement they are working on that problem. Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve Ordinance #18-003 providing

regulations to salvage yards, motor vehicle storage yards and motor vehicle repair businesses. A second was made by Councilman Shugart. Motion carried unanimously.

Q. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO DISCUSS THE SOFTBALL FIELDS MAINTENANCE, OWNERSHIP AND ASSOCIATION.

Treasurer Tasha Harper explained she is trying to get the city and people involved. She knows the fields are a disgrace but if they could get them back in shape then people would come back to Brazoria and play. She explained they are trying to get a team together for fall ball. Councilman Shugart said until he can see some effort he doesn't think the city should give them the money again this year. Councilwoman Parker doesn't think the people will come back to Brazoria and play. Mrs. Harper explained she is going to do her best to get it going again.

R. CITY DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORT.

1. COURT DEPT. – Judge James explained report in packet.
2. POLICE DEPT. – Chief Longbotham explained report in packet. He also handed them a traffic survey of 2 streets, Red Oak and Pleasant St. He also hired a new officer.
3. PUBLIC SERVICE DEPT. - Public Works Director Jordan explained report in packet. He also explained they just completed an insurance audit and will be getting the 1st of 5 railroad audits. He feels they will be caught up this week on service orders. He thanked the Brazoria Lions Club and Brazoria Fire Dept. for all they do. Brazoria Lions Club will be celebrating 70 years this year.
4. FIRE DEPT. – Fire Chief Stahl thanked the city for the proclamation given at their installation dinner.

S. CITY MANAGER REPORT.

City Manager Borders explained sales tax is up and we have been interviewing for utility billing clerk position. The auditor is here and she has been working with FEMA. Councilwoman Parker asked if she would also go through the Action Item list. She explained the items that were ongoing or finished.

T. REPORTS FROM MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL AND CITY ATTORNEY.

Councilwoman Logsdon appreciated the big crowd. Fireman's Installation Dinner was great. Lots of progress in the work of the salvage yard ordinance and thanked Bubba Davis for his input. Councilwoman Parker thanked the Boy Scouts leading in pledge and Mr. Hester for coming. Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh thanked the Boy Scouts and BTEL for coming. Thanked City Manager Borders for her hard work with FEMA.

U. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh adjourned Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Kersh

ATTEST:

Sheila Williams, City Secretary