

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

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The City of Brazoria convened in a Workshop on April 10, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. & a Regular Meeting on April 10, 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:	
Sheila Williams	City Secretary
R.C. Stevenson	City Attorney
Neal Longbotham	Police Chief
David Jordan	Public Works Director
Bill James	City Judge
Charles Thom	Patrol Corporal

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 explained the city received a bucket truck from BTEL as a donation. David Jordan will be meeting with a homebuilder and Joe Ripple tomorrow about a possible development. Encouraged everyone to come to the ribbon cutting for BTEL.

C. ADJOURN WORKSHOP AND CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh adjourned the workshop at 5:38 p.m. and called to order regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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D. INVOCATION TO BE GIVEN BY PASTOR JUAN TOBAR OF NUEVA CREACION CHURCH AND THE PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN AND TEXAS FLAGS BY ALL.

Pastor Tobar of Nueva Creacion Church gave the invocation and the pledge to the American & Texas flags was led by Councilman Shugart.

E. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETING; REGULAR MEETING, MARCH 13, 2018.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve the minutes of the following meeting, Regular Meeting, March 13, 2018. A second was made by Councilwoman Parker. Motion carried unanimously.

F. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION.

No comments

G. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO HEAR INFORMATION FROM BTEL ON FIBER OPTIC LINES.

No one was here from BTEL

H. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE PERMIT RENEWAL FOR CAMPER ON LAND FOR TERRY GOODE AT 1305 N. MARKET.

Councilman Shugart explained since they are not building yet they only have one more renewal after this one. They should wait until they are actually building. Mrs. Goode explained they met with the builder and bank yesterday to get the plans started. Public Works Director Jordan explained their permit will run out soon. Councilman Shugart asked them to come back to a special meeting on the 24th of April with proof they are starting to build. Motion was made by Councilman Shugart to table permit renewal for camper on land for Terry Goode at 1305 N. Market. A second was made by Councilwoman Logsdon. Motion carried unanimously.

I. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-003 SUPPORTING NO NAME FESTIVAL PARADE.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh asked each of the council to be in parade and show your support. Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve Resolution #18-003 supporting No Name Festival Parade. A second was made by Councilwoman Parker. Motion carried unanimously.

J. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE SOUND SYSTEM PLAYING TAPS FROM ROSHELLE HICKS.

Roschelle Hicks explained it would be a unique opportunity and she was looking at places to have it. American Legion Hall would be ideal but with it being rented out that would not be good. She is looking into funds to have it done. She thinks an ideal time would be 6:00 p.m. Councilman Shugart explained the two churches in town play their chimes and 6:00 would interfere with the two churches. Ms. Hicks said it could be moved to 6:05 p.m. Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh said to put on April 24th workshop so it can be better researched. Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve sound system playing taps from Roschelle Hicks. A second was made by Councilman Shugart. Motion carried unanimously.

K. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE PROPERTY TAX RE-SALE FROM PATRICK LUCAS AT 107 TANNER STREET FOR \$750.00.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve property tax re-sale from Patrick Lucas at 107 Tanner Street for \$750.00. A second was made by Councilman Shugart. Motion carried unanimously.

L. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT THROUGH THE COUNTY.

Public Works Director Jordan explained this is for the next 3 years. We are due to get money this year which should be \$196,000.15. We get money every 3 years. Councilwoman Parker asked where the money will go. Public Works Director Jordan explained the sewer line where they have had the cave ins. Councilman Shugart asked if it has to be used for low income and when are the meetings. Public Works Director explained yes for low income and last Wednesday of each month. Motion was made by Councilwoman Logsdon to approve the participation in the Community Development Block Grant through the county. A second was made by Councilwoman Parker. Motion carried unanimously.

M. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE CITY MANAGER SIGNING LOAN FOR \$59,000.00 FOR BACKHOE FOR 5 YEARS AT 4.75% INTEREST RATE.

Public Works Director explained it is on a lot in Houston and it has closed in seat and more bells and whistles than any we have had. If we wait on one like we have it will be late May or June before we get it. It has 3 year, 360 hour guaranteed warranty on maintenance and routine. He will put the old one in the auction. It is a 93 model and has 5700 hours on it with 5 sets of tires gone through. Motion was made by Councilman Shugart to approve City Manager signing loan for \$59,000 for backhoe for 5 years at 4.75% interest rate. A second was made by Councilwoman Parker. Motion carried unanimously.

N. CITY DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORT.

1. COURT DEPARTMENT – Judge James explained report in packet.
2. POLICE DEPARTMENT – Police Chief Longbotham explained report in packet. He explained the two cars he had with bid packets no one picked up. Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh said Sweeny ISD and Damon ISD are interested in some things but not all. He suggested sell them what they want and get it out of here. Piece it out if it will sell that way. Councilwoman Logsdon said she can see they have been busy with lots of calls. She asked about the 2nd officer on nights. Chief Longbotham explained once he gets the new officer trained they will be working on that.
3. PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT – Public Works Director David Jordan explained report in packet. He also said they have processed 400 line locates since BTEL has been doing their upgrade. The SPCA is in a turmoil but the people working with us are not affected. We will help SPCA get through this. No report yet from Railroad Commission on report. Councilman Shugart asked about the Spring Clean Up. David Jordan said the Lion’s Club and Heritage Foundation sponsor the clean-up. He also explained they have some time consuming cases on Code Enforcement.
4. FIRE DEPARTMENT – no report

O. CITY MANAGERS REPORT.

City Manager Borders was absent. Her report was in packet.

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

Councilwoman Logsdon thanked everyone for coming.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kersh asked everyone to go to the BTEL open house and show their support.

Q. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING.

Mayor Pro-Tem adjourned regular meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Kersh

ATTEST:

Sheila Williams, City Secretary

