

City of Big Sandy

Big Sandy, Texas 75755

MINUTES TO REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, November 20th, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

The City Council for the City of Big Sandy met in Regular Session on Tuesday, November 20th, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Parsons called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
 - a. Invocation – Mr. Michael Baggett
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance - Mr. Rex Rozell
 - c. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Parsons, Michael Baggett, Becky Desborough and Rex Rozell. Don Cochran arrived at 6:07 p.m.
 - d. **STAFF PRESENT:** Joe Pope, Laura Rex, Scott Rogers, and Chief Tim Scott.
 - e. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Linda Baggett, David Cleveland of ETCOG, and Stephanie Heffner of ETCOG.

2. **Citizen Participation:** David Cleveland and Stephanie Heffner of ETCOG addressed the council requesting their support for the creation of a new Piney Woods 911 District.

3. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. **Minutes:** Desborough moved to approve the minutes for the Oct. 16, 2018 meeting and Cochran seconded. Baggett, Cochran, Desborough and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
 - b. **Financial Reports:** Baggett moved to approve the October 2018 Financial Reports and Desborough seconded. Baggett, Cochran, Desborough and Rozell voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.

4. **Discussion/Action Items:**
 - q. The Council entered into Executive Session to: discuss or deliberate the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a employee: Maintenance Worker Joe Pope pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.074 at 6:23 p.m.

 - r. The council closed the Executive Session at 6:45 p.m. The Council returned to Open Session at 6:46 p.m. No council action taken.

 - a. **Volunteer Fire Dept:** Vol. Fire Dept. Chief Jones was not present to provide a report.

 - b. **Police Dept:** Chief Scott reported that he has hired Michael Yochum, but still has an opening since Sergeant Gilow resigned on November 15, 2018.

 - c. **Public Works:**
 - i. **Wastewater Treatment Plant: 3rd Sludge Pump:** After discussion, Rozell moved to approve the purchase of a 3rd sludge pump from Master Pump for \$5,225 and

- p. **Upcoming Events: City Calendar:** The following events were announced: Dec. 1st at 9:00 a.m. is the re-dedication of the Agape House, Dec. 11th is the next MDD (Municipal Development District) meeting, Dec. 17th is the date for the Community Christmas Walk and Jan. 9th @ 10 a.m. will be a brainstorming session for starting the development of a 5 year plan for the City of Big Sandy.
- q. See Item (q) above.
- r. See Item (r) above.
- s. The Council **DID NOT** enter into Executive Session to: deliberate about real property according to Texas Government Code §551.072.
- t. The Council stayed in open Session for the duration of the meeting. No council action taken.
5. **Items from the Mayor:** Mayor Parsons addressed the council and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
6. **Items from the Council:** None.
7. **Adjourn:** There being no further posted business before this Council, Cochran moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. and Desborough seconded.



Sonny Parsons, Mayor



Laura M. Rex, City Secretary



Date