

City of Big Sandy

Big Sandy, Texas 75755

MINUTES TO MEETING

Tuesday, May 9th, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

The City Council for the City of Big Sandy met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 9th, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Church called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Ronnie Norman
 - b. Invocation – Mr. Jerome Ellard
 - c. MEMBERS: Mayor Nancy Church, Michael Baggett, Sue Jones, Sonny Parsons, Ronnie Norman, John Worden and councilmember-elect Don Cochran.
 - d. STAFF PRESENT: Everett McWilliams, Laura Rex, and Chief Tim Scott.
 - e. OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Baggett, Dwayne Canup, Ken Danapas, Jerome Ellard, Helen Ellard, Volunteer Fire Chief Jeff Jones.
2. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. **Minutes:** Mr. Parsons moved to approve the minutes for the Apr. 18, 2017, and Apr. 27, 2017 meetings and the April 2017 Financial Statements and Mr. Baggett seconded. Baggett, Jones, Norman, Parsons and Worden voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.
3. **Financial Reports:** See 2(a) above.
4. **Citizen Participation:** None.
5. **Discussion/Action Items:**
 - a. **Resolution: Canvassing the results of votes of the General/Special Election held on May 6, 2017:** Mr. Worden moved to approve Resolution 2017-018 accepting the canvassed results as follows:

Alderman:	Cindy Bauter	33 votes
	Christina R. Jackson	9 votes
	Mike Baggett	57 votes
	Billy Joe Hardwick	32 votes
	Donald R. Cochran	46 votes
	Colette W. Stec	26 votes

Mayor:	John Worden	25 votes
	Sonny Parsons	92 votes

Proposition 1 - CDC becomes MDD:

For	77 votes
Against	35 votes

Proposition 2 - 1/4 cent Sales Tax for Street Maintenance Tax:

For	85 votes
Against	26 votes

Mike Baggett is re-elected to the city council and Donald R. Cochran is elected to the city council. Sonny Parsons is elected as Mayor. Proposition 1 for the Big Sandy CDC becoming the Big Sandy MDD is approved. Proposition 2 to continue to designate 1/4 of a cent Sales Tax for Street Maintenance Tax is approved.

Mr. Baggett seconded. Baggett, Jones, Norman, Parsons and Worden voted aye. Motion carried 5-0-0.

- a. **Certificates of Election:** At 6:15, Mayor Church presented the Certificate of Election to our 3 declared candidates elect: Michael Baggett, Don Cochran and Mayor Sonny Parsons.
- b. **Statement of Elected Officials and Official Oaths:** At 6:20, City Secretary Laura Rex administered the statements of elected officials and swore in Michael Baggett and Don Cochran as aldermen and Sonny Parsons as Mayor.

The City council expressed their appreciation to outgoing aldermen John Worden and mayor Nancy Church by presenting them with Certificates of Appreciation and thanked them for their service to the city.

Mr. Baggett then returned to his council seat, Mr. Cochran took his seat at the council chambers, and Mr. Parsons vacated his council seat and took his seat as Mayor.

- c. **Resolution appointing Mayor Pro Tem:** Mr. Cochran moved to adopt Resolution 2017-019 appointing Ms. Sue Jones as the mayor pro tem for a one year term and Mr. Norman seconded. Baggett, Cochran, and Norman voted aye. Ms. Jones abstained. Motion carried 3-0-1.
- d. **Resolution updating authorized signatories:** Mr. Norman moved to adopt Resolution 2017-020 updating the authorized signatories for Grant #7215008, Resolution 2017-021 for Grant #7215040, and Resolution 2017-022 for Grant #7216222 authorizing the following signatories: the positions of City Secretary, Mayor, and Public Works Director, and alderman Michael Baggett and Donald Cochran. Mr. Baggett seconded. Baggett, Cochran, Jones and Norman voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- e. **Safe Routes to School Program Application:** Mr. Norman moved to repeal an earlier motion (at the April 27, 2017 special city council meeting) approved by the City Council to apply for a grant through the Safe Routes to School Program and Mr. Baggett seconded. The City **will not** apply for the grant. Baggett, Cochran, Jones and Norman voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.
- f. **Additional commitment of \$5,737 for Texas Dept. of Agriculture Contract #7215040 to purchase/install 3rd pump:** Mr. Baggett moved to approve the additional commitment of \$5,737 for Grant Contract #7215040 for the purchase and installation of a 3rd pump and Mr. Norman seconded. Baggett, Cochran, Jones and Norman voted aye. Motion carried 4-0-0.

g. **The Council entered into Executive Session at 6:32 p.m.** to discuss or deliberate the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee pursuant to: Texas Government Code §551.074 [Personnel Related Matters]: Public Works Director

h. **The Council returned to Open Session at 7:30 p.m.:** No council action taken.

6. **Items from the Mayor:**

a. Mayor Parsons announced that he will be hosting a Town Hall Meeting on May 30th, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Big Sandy Schools Auditorium.

7. **Items from the Council:** Nothing.


8. **Adjourn:** There being no further posted business before this Council, Mr. Baggett moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. and Mr. Cochran seconded.



Sonny Parsons, Mayor



Laura M. Rex, City Secretary



Date