



# City of Bruceville-Eddy



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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

### 5:30 p.m. workshop of the governing body of the City of Bruceville-Eddy, December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Minutes of a workshop and regular session of the governing body of the City of Bruceville-Eddy held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.

- I. Call to Order: Mayor Connally Bass announced the opening of the workshop at 5:30 p.m. Roll call: all members in attendance, waste water accounts supervisor, Pam Comb in attendance for USDA conversation.
- II. Discussion of agenda items listed was begun, with Johnny Tabor, city engineer giving an update of the USDA rural water loan/application, the Eddy well-being closed, the Old Bethany Road Project and the bid process and lowest bidder (B-Corp Utilities) to be awarded. The request from the City Bond Attorney, for a resolution stating the position of the city regarding reimbursement of waste water costs prior to closing of the loan. No action was taken.

### 6:30 P.M. Regular Council Session December 13th, 2018.

- 1) Call to Order: Mayor Connally Bass called the regular session to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call taken. All members of council were in attendance. Also attending meeting: Johnny Tabor, city engineer, Frank Warren, code enforcement officer, Koni Billings, city administrator.
- 2) Prayer by Jason Dean, who will then lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) CITIZEN TIME: Ms. Billings spoke to thank the council for their years of service and dedication to the projects that have strengthened the city and the water company, and for allowing her the privilege of being the city administrator for the City if Bruceville-Eddy.
- 4) CONSENT AGENDA:
  - i. Council considered A/P for General/Water Funds for November, 2018. Motioned to accept the A/P and minutes tendered by Jason Dean, a second vote was then cast by councilwoman Linda Owens. All in Favor.
  - ii. Council considered minutes of the regular and called meetings of November, 2018.  
(This agenda item: ii, covered by the motion made for agenda item i.)
- 5) Mayor's Minutes: Mayor Bass remarks. Mayor Bass thanked all in the audience for attending the meeting. He also thanked Ms. Billings for her years of service and the strengthened financial position that the city is now in.
- 6) Public Works: Johnny Tabor made a motion that the bid from B Corp Utilities for the Old Bethany Road improvement project be accepted by motion. This bid came in the cheapest for both the total base bid and the alternate bid. (a 10" line). A motion to accept the alternate bid for the 10" line to be used in the improvement project was made by Jason Dean, second by Hal Wilcox or a maximum cost of \$114,647.82. All in favor. The Eddy well closing was discussed again, Mr. Tabor will be working up a plan of action, he will speak to a number of companies and request bids or the work necessary to close the Eddy well. No action was taken.
- 7) Code Enforcement considerations for the city owned property at 115 Hungry Hill was asked to be noted and a discussion of city's intent for the lot located at 115 Hungry Hill. Mr. Tabor recommended to the council that the property not be put up for sale until after the lift stations and grinding station placements for the new city sewer company be finalized. No action taken.
- 8) Police Dept.: Chief McLean. Nothing up for discussion this month.
- 9) Council considered adoption of a (two part) resolution regarding the reimbursement of certain expenses for the new sewer system project from the proceeds of tax exempt obligations. Dan Plietz, city bond attorney has made the request that these be considered. Part two is the position council has taken on requesting tax exempt reimbursement. Resolution 121318(A-B). A motion to accept the resolution(s) was brought forward by Gary Lucas, and a second was cast by Jason Dean. All in Favor.
- 10) Council voted to appoint of new Mayor ProTem for the 2019 term year. Gary Lucas made a motion that Hal Wilcox continue as Mayor ProTem, a second was voiced by Linda Owens. All in favor. Mr. Wilcox to continue as Mayor ProTem for the 2019 term.
- 11) Council was introduced to Robert L. Meyers, of McCreary, Veselka, Bragg, & Allen, PC., (MVBA) who spoke to the position of city collectors of delinquent property tax. The city currently contracts with the law firm, Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP., which was last renewed upon its original date of hire, 3-1994. A motion to notice the current collection firm of a 30 day expiration date of the contract, and to approve replacement of that law firm with the firm of MVBA, PC was offered up by Jason Dean and was then followed by a second motion, voiced by Gary Lucas. All in Favor.
- 12) Council heard from Frank Warren and Nelson Tabarez (contractor/owner) on request to relocate frame house from 119 Hungry Hill to 500 Eagle Drive. Frank Warren to present. Motion to allow the relocation of a frame home to 500 Eagle Drive was made by Hal Wilcox, second made by Jason Dean. All in Favor. p. 2



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- 13) Council also considered the request by Nelson Tabarez for a variance of the lot at 307 Franklin from a Single Family-3 to Multi Family-1. Frank Warren spoke to the council, noting that there is no zoning listed for this request, that is simply an additional structure to the lot that would not require a variance, but approval, to add the "duplex side of the residence to the lot. It will meet the zoning code of two separate driveways, entrances, and meets with code on the density and lot type use. A motion to allow the duplex building on the existing lot at 307 Franklin was made by Jason Dean and seconded by Hal Wilcox. All in
- 14) Council reversed the approval of the funding set aside for a "new/used, dump truck" made last month, and instead decided upon the purchase of a 2015 Ram 350 truck for the water dept. The old truck, #WT101 has expired. A new truck has been found and is being purchased. The amount of approval necessary for the truck is \$32,831.95. A motion to approve the water fund purchase of a 2015 Dodge Ram 3500 was made by Hal Wilcox, seconded by Linda Owens. All in Favor. The expired truck will be sold as a salvage truck, as this truck was bought with a salvage title. It could be parted out and sold under the salvage title, also.
- 15) Council adjourned regular session to go into Executive Session under TGC 551.076 to finalize the exit audit information for employee Koni Billings, at 7:55 p.m. Regular session reconvened at 8:10 pm. No action was necessary.
- 16) Motion to adjourn was made at 8:11 pm.

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 Connally Bass, Mayor, City of Bruceville-Eddy

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Minutes prepared by Koni Billings

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