



The City of Bruceville-Eddy Rising into the Future

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**Council Workshop 5:00 pm Council Meeting 6:30 pm
July 22, 2021 Minutes**

Workshop Call to Order at 5:01 pm by Mayor Bass

Workshop agenda:

Council to discuss all items on the agenda.

City Administrators update the city council and discuss concerns.

Workshop adjourned at 6:00 pm by Mayor Bass

Council meeting call to order by Mayor Bass at 6:31 pm.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Council members present are Ricky Wiggins, Mayor Pro-Tem, James Tolbert, Cecil Griffin, Marc Fowler, Linda Owens.

City Staff present were City Administrator-Sonya Bishop, City Secretary-Pam Combs, Chief of Police-Michael Dorsey, Water Dept-Gene Sprouse on the phone, and City Engineer-Johnny Tabor present for workshop only.

2. Police Report- Chief Dorsey

- a. Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on approving budget amendment moving the following line items from code enforcement line items into the police department's budget line items as follows:
- 10-21-6002 - \$27,040.00
 - 10-21-6004 - \$300.00
 - 10-21-6009 - \$1,100.00
 - 10-21-6107 - \$200.00
 - 10-21-6600 - \$2,500
 - 10-21-6602 - \$500.00

Total Decrease - \$31,640.00. Increase line item 10-20-6605 Police Vehicle Equipment by \$31,640.00

Motion made by Marc Fowler to approving budget amendment moving the following line items from code enforcement line items into the police department's budget line items as follows and also use the remainder from the Asset Forfeiture account 10-20-6915 to pay the difference.

Increase line item 10-20-6605 Police Vehicle Equipment by \$31,640.00

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- 10-21-6107 - \$200.00
- 10-21-6600 - \$2,500
- 10-21-6602 - \$500.00

Total Decrease - \$31,640.00. from Code Enforcement Accounts.

2nd by Cecil Griffin Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes

(b) Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on approving the purchase of 5 new in car radar units and new camera systems from Stalker radar. Quote 205009 in the amount of \$39,255.00 to be paid from line item 10-20-6605 and the remaining balance of \$7,615.00 to be paid from asset forfeiture.

Motion made by James Tolbert to approving the purchase of 5 new in car radar units and new camera systems from Stalker radar. Quote 205009 in the amount of \$39,255.00 to be paid from line item 10-20-6605 and the remaining balance of \$7,615.00 to be paid from asset forfeiture.

2nd by Linda Owens, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes

Chief Dorsey also said he was going to be out of the office from July 26th thru July 30th, to attend the Texas Police Chiefs Leadership Series, in San Antonio. Officer Martinez will be working dayshift (8am-5pm) during his absence.

Chief Dorsey reported back in March Officer Roman did a traffic stop and recovered a large amount of money (\$39,955.30) we filed all our reports and paper work and we were just notified that the police department will be receiving \$27,710.51 which will be deposited in the asset forfeiture account.

Code Enforcement Report: 25 open cases and 12 citations.

3. Citizen Presentations-

The City Council welcomes public comments at this point on items not specifically listed on the agenda. Speakers must sign up before the meeting begins. Speakers are limited to five (5) minutes each. The Council cannot respond to matters not listed on the agenda until a future meeting.

Frank Warren, 414 CR 437, Eddy, Texas 76524: I do not live in the city limits, but I am here tonight for another matter. Most of y'all know the history of me here and you also know about a year and a half ago we were just starting on this facility. During that time, I was accused of a criminal act and that was pretty serious stuff and we proved that wrong. Now it has raised its head up again and I have been indirectly accused of that same crime by a council member. I don't appreciate that and I don't think we should go down this road again. I stopped that road before and I am afraid I won't stop it again. I don't want to hear any of it in public and when I hear it, I get upset. If y'all want to go behind closed doors in a meeting that is up to y'all, but I do not want to hear it out in public. Mayor Bass asked, Mr. Warren if he wanted to name the council member. Mr. Warren said, no. Mr. Warren wanted to bring it to the mayor and city councils' attention regarding a council member.

Rose Velasquez, 1438 Franklin Rd, Eddy, Texas 76524: Spoke to the city council regarding some concerns she had with one of the council members and the Bruceville-Eddy Police Department.

4. Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on request made by Vivian Williams to be reimbursed for materials of the new city hall.

Motion made by Ricky Wiggins to Table item #4 so the council would have time to look over some new documents Ms. Williams just presented to the city council that night.

2nd by James Tolbert, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

5. Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on paying invoice 07132021 in the amount of \$8,500.00 to Moreno Solution.

Moreno Solutions presented a statement saying "By paying this amount the City of Bruceville-Eddy bill to Moreno Solutions will be paid in full, with no other charges due." Bill was for \$8500.00.

Motion made by Linda Owens to pay Inv# 07132021 in the amount of \$8500.00 to Moreno Solution. 2nd by Ricky Wiggins, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes

6. **Water Report:**

- a) Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on approving purchase of water meters in bulk verses buying as needed. The water department needs 2 boxes of meters currently and would like to keep 1 box on hand. The total expense is \$3,870.00 purchased from Core & Main.

Motion made by Linda Owens approving the purchase of 3 boxes of water meters and also maintain the inventory to always have 1 box available. 2nd by Ricky Wiggins, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

7. **Consent Agenda**

- a) Council to discuss, consider and possibly approve minutes from June 22, 2021, special called Budget Meeting.

Motion made by Ricky Wiggins to approve minutes from June 22, 2021 special called Budget Meeting. 2nd by Linda Owens, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

- b) Council to discuss, consider and possibly approve minutes from July 8, 2021, regular called Meeting.

Motion made by Ricky Wiggins to approve minutes from July 8, 2021 regular called meeting. 2nd by Linda Owens, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

Mayor and City Council Agenda Item Request:

8. Council to discuss, consider, and possibly take action on street repairs.
Motion made by Ricky Wiggins for the city workers to make a list of streets that need to be repaired and once a month check for pot holes and do the repairs. For every street repaired we need to keep documents showing the street name, date, and what repairs that were done. 2nd by Cecil Griffin, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.
9. Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on Cost of Living and/or any recommended compensation adjustments for hourly and salaried City staff for the 2021-2022 budget year.
No action was taken. Marc Fowler asked the city council what percentage did they want the budget committee to plug in for the Cost of Living. The council requested the committee to plug in two different percentage (2.5 and 3), and the council will compare.
10. The council to discuss, consider and take any action it deems necessary on any recommendations to the council from the Bruceville-Eddy water committee. This includes but is not limited to:
(1) Tap fees in anticipation of future growth.
Mr. Tolbert told the city council water committee agreed to raise the tap fee from \$1500.00 to \$2750.00 starting October 1, 2021.
Motion made by Ricky Wiggins to raise the tap fee from \$1500.00 to \$2750.00 starting October 1, 2021, 2nd by Marc Fowler, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

(2) The possibility of pursuing a new Falls County Well and any items related thereto.

Motion made by Ricky Wiggins for the water committee to work with Mr. Stephan, regarding acquiring the 2 acres for a new water well in Falls County. 2nd by James Tolbert, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

(3) Investment committee update--- report

Mr. Tolbert said it would take about 45 days to get back to the city council with the investment committee update.

11. Financial Reports

- a) Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on approving financial reports for June 2021.

Motion made by Marc Fowler approving the financial reports for June 2021 that they received the afternoon of June 22nd, because the one in the packet was incorrect. 2nd by Ricky Wiggins, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passed

- b) Council to discuss and possibly approve accounts payables for June 2021 for water and general fund.

Motion made by Marc Fowler to approve accounts payable for June 2021 for water and general fund. 2nd by Ricky Wiggins, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

City Administrator Agenda Items:

- 12. Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on opening sealed bids for the handicap parking lot at 144 Wilcox Drive (new city hall).**

We have one sealed bid and Linda Owens open the bid and read it to the council. There were two bids one was \$19,152.00 using asphalt. The other bid was \$21,459.00 using concrete.

Motion made by Ricky Wiggins to approve for option #2 for \$21,459.00 using concrete for the Handicap parking lot at 144 Wilcox Drive (new city Hall). 2nd by Marc Fowler, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

- 13. Council to discuss, consider and possibly take action on trash services.**

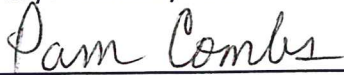
No action taken. City council would like for Sonya Bishop to come up with a packet to get sealed bids on the trash services.

Mr. Morris Jones has his own trash service and he is requesting the city to give him a chance to bid on the city trash service.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm, Motion made by Ricky Wiggins, 2nd by Linda Owens, Yay 5 Nay 0, Motion passes.

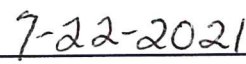


Mayor Connally Bass



Pam Combs, City Secretary

Date



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