

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 6, 2021

THE BLUE RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 7:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2021 AT THE BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER, LOCATED AT 200 W. TILTON, BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS 75424 AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION.

1. Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and called roll with the following members present: Mayor Rhonda Williams, Christina Porath, Keith Chitwood, Colby Collinsworth and Allen Cunyngnam. Amber Wood was absent.
2. Edie Sims offered the prayer and lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags.
3. Announcements relating to items of public interest: Mayor Williams stated raises per the 2020-2021 Budget were postponed because of Covid-19. Property tax income collections was delayed which left finances strained. Now that income has become stabilized - and the employees have been exemplary throughout the Winter Storm – the raises will be implemented as of this week’s payroll.
4. Public Comment
No one signed up or spoke at this time.
5. Consent Agenda: a) Discuss, approve or disapprove the minutes from Special Session held March 2, 2021; Regular Session held March 2, 2021; and Special Session held March 23, 2021; b) Public Works Update; c) City Financial Report; d) Fire Department Report; and e) Animal Control Report
Christina Porath motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with Keith Chitwood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Consider, discuss and act upon Ordinance 2021-0406-001 adopting impact fees for water and wastewater infrastructure for new development and including the Land Use Assumptions and Capital Improvement Projects as provided through the Impact Study
Christina Porath motioned to approve the impact fees for water and wastewater as presented with the Land Use Assumptions and Capital Improvement Projects. Ms. Porath also included in her motion to implement the Impact Fees effective April 6, 2021 with Colby Collinsworth seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Consider, discuss and act upon Resolution 2021-0406-001 adopting a procurement policy
Christina Porath motioned to approve the Resolution as presented with Keith Chitwood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Consider, discuss and act upon Resolution 2021-0406-002 to designate authorized signatory for the 2020 Texas CDBG program contract 7220122
Christina Porath motioned to approve the Resolution as presented with Keith Chitwood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Consider, discuss and act upon Resolution 2021-0406-003 adopting required CDBG Civil Rights policies
Christina Porath motioned to approve the Resolution as presented with Keith Chitwood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Consider, discuss and act upon proclaiming April as Fair Housing Month

Christina Porath motioned to approve the Resolution as presented with Keith Chitwood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Consider, discuss and act upon a Code of Conduct Policy

Christina Porath motioned to approve the agreement as presented with Allen Cunnynggham seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Discussion of placing items on future agendas


Keith Chitwood requested each employee's job description to be presented at the next Council meeting.

Christina Porath requested a Social Media policy and the following in addition: a) if 4A and 4B members would follow the same guidelines; and b) example of other similar sized cities policies.


Rhonda Williams requested an update of the 4B Stimulus with a list of who was helped and if the loan was forgiven. This was an awesome opportunity and great information to share with our constituents' use of sales tax dollars.

13. Adjournment Christina Porath motioned to adjourn with Allen Cunnynggham seconding the motion. Council adjourned at 7:13pm.

APPROVED:


Rhonda Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:


Edie Sims, City Secretary