CITY OF BLUE RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES JULY 7, 2020

THE BLUE RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 7:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2020 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 7:00 p.m. and called roll with the following members present, Mayor Rhonda Williams, Christina Porath, Keith Chitwood, Amber Wood, and Allen Cunnyngham.
- 2. City Secretary Edie Sims offered the prayer and lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags.
- 3. <u>Announcements relating to items of public interest:</u> Annette Nevins with Plano Local Profile Magazine will be writing an article about the Blue Ridge Rodeo and the Blue Ridge area.
- 4. Public Comment

No one signed up or spoke at this time.

5. <u>Consent Agenda: a) Discuss, approve or disapprove the minutes from Regular Session held June 2, 2020; b) Public Works Update; c) City Financial Report; d) Fire Department Report; and e) Animal Control Report</u>

Amber Wood motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with Christina Porath seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Consider, discuss and act upon a request to replat a final Plat known as Ravine-Martin, an addition located at the Southwest corner of Farm-to-Market 981 and County Road 669, Blue Ridge, TX, also known as Abstract A0674, Abraham Ogden Survey, Sheet 1, Tract 39, containing 35.929 acres, replatting into 8 lots with Lot 1 being 7.161 acres; Lot 2 being 2.122 acres; Lot 3 being 1.002 acres; Lot 4 being 2.000 acres; Lot 5 being 1.929 acres; Lot 6 being 10.008 acres; Lot 7 being 5.242 acres and Lot 8 being 5.110 acres and also which is located within the City of Blue Ridge's Extra Territorial Jurisdiction

David Apple, surveyor for the project, came before the Council and explained the natural drainage that was not adapted or changed on the plat. The lay of the land will not change and therefore no one in the surrounding area will be affected by the drainage more than has been in the past. The drainage will continue to be the same even with more homes in the platted area. The only way the drainage would be affected would be if streets were built and a greatly condensed development were to be in place, which this is not. No obstructions are seen. As far as other questions, the owner of the property will have the same deed restrictions on each lot as was previously attached to the large parent tract.

In the Council Packet is a letter and information from Frognot Water Supply's engineer who stated all requirements have been met and sufficient water is available for this plat. Also included in the Council Packet is a house plans for the first home to be built on one of the lots. Julia Hobbs with Texas Vineyard Homes came before the Council displaying the home's design which will be a nice addition to the area. Christina Porath motioned to approve the Plat as presented with Amber Wood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

7. <u>Consider, discuss and act upon Resolution 2020-0707-001 designating an engineering service provider for the 2020 Downtown Revitalization Program/Main Street application and project implementation administered through the Texas Department of Agriculture</u>

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

8. <u>Consider, discuss and act upon Resolution 2020-0707-002 to declare specified property a</u> surplus and authorizing the sale thereof

The Ford F150 truck that was the Public Works Director's vehicle has been stripped down and parts utilized for the City's other Ford F150 Public Works truck. The remnant is being requested to declare as surplus and sell as is. Christina Porath motioned to approve the Resolution as presented with Amber Wood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

9. <u>Consider, discuss and act upon Resolution 2020-0707-003 authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program application for the Downtown Revitalization Fund project</u>

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

10. <u>Consider, discuss and act upon Resolution 2020-0707-004 determining areas of the City which are detrimental to the Public's health, safety and welfare which thereby constitute a blighted area</u>

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

11. <u>Consider, discuss and act upon a Citizen Participation Plan for the Texas Community</u>
<u>Development Block Grant Program</u>

Christina Porath motioned to approve the Citizen Participation Plan as presented with Amber Wood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

12. <u>Consider, discuss and act upon policies for City Hall due to public health emergency and other matters related to the COVID-19 Pandemic</u>

City Secretary Edie Sims expressed the measures taken to limit person-to-person spread of COVID-19 by allowing only one person inside City Hall and each person entering must have face covering. City Hall as informed the public any business must be done by appointment only. Change is not being provided as we continue the same policies as provided by City Council from March.

Council took no action.

13. Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

City Secretary Edie Sims reviewed the contemplated budget and the working documents regarding each line item. With Council direction, further adjustments will be made and presented at the next Council meeting.

14. Public Comment: This item was duplicated

No action as this was a duplicated item on the agenda.

15. <u>Discussion of placing items on future agendas</u>

No one requested an item to be placed on a future agenda.

17. <u>Adjournment.</u> Christina Porath motioned to adjourn with Amber Wood seconding the motion. Council adjourned at 9:27pm.

APPROVED:	ATTEST:
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Rhonda Williams, Mayor	Edie Sims