

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
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The City Council of the City of Brazos Country, Austin County, Texas, convened in regular session Thursday, July 18, 2019, 7:00 PM, at River Ridge Golf Club Pavilion, 3133 Brazos Oak Ln, Sealy, Texas.

- 1-2. **Call to Order - Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance** - Mayor Pro Tem McSloy called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM and opened with an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.
3. **Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum** Council members present were:
Joe Mc Sloy, Mayor Pro Tem
Neil Howard, Alderman
Sharon Smith, Alderwoman
David Schultz, Alderman

Albert Sykes and Steve Dorenbach were absent. Mayor Pro Tem Joe McSloy certified there was a quorum. In addition to council and secretary there were 20 residents in attendance.

4. **Public Comments** – John Williams reminded council of the information he had provided about the cost of cameras for the subdivision entrances and urged council to reconsider their purchase. Bev Victory noted that several city street signs were in need of replacement and urged council to make those purchases.

5. **Consent agenda – Minutes, General and Water Fund Financials**

Secretary Mary Lou Craig informed council of changes made to the Water Financials since they were sent by email. David Schultz made a motion, with a second from Sharon Smith, to accept the documents presented. Motion passed.

6. **Old Business –**

Hidden Creek/River Ridge drainage Mayor Pro Tem McSloy gave a brief summary of the discussion held at the Workshop meeting on June 17th and pointed out that council was considering two estimates received from erosion specialists. Neil Howard made a motion that council accept the proposal from Blue Sky Right of Way to repair River Ridge crossing downstream location with stabilized sand and rip rap in the amount of \$4250 and the upstream location using stabilized sand in the amount of \$7750. There was more discussion involving various options and the pros and cons of using stabilized sand, concrete and/or rip rap. David Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Road maintenance – John Williams reported that All Texas Asphalt would begin the work approved at the June meeting on July 29th, weather permitting.

Culverts and drainage – No action.

Records Retention Ordinance – Joe McSloy made a motion that council adopt and approve Ordinance 2019-03 establishing guidelines for efficient management and storage of city records. Sharon Smith seconded and motion passed.

River Ridge Golf Club and Kathy's Korner – water bill late fee consideration - Joe McSloy made a motion to approve and ratify the motion made at the June 20th meeting to waive the late fee for River Ridge Golf Club and Kathy's Korner. Neil Howard seconded and motion passed with David Schultz voting nay.

Water plant alarm automation - Because Steve Dorenbach was not in attendance at the meeting, Mayor Pro Tem McSloy suggested action on this item be tabled until next month.

Feral hogs – Neil Howard reported that one boar had been caught in the traps to date. The traps have been recently reset and there is feed in the feeders.

7. New business –

Update office equipment & software – City Secretary requested council consider allowing the purchase of a new city laptop with newest version of QuickBooks Pro and updated virus protection. David Schultz made a motion approving this purchase not to exceed \$2,500. Sharon Smith seconded and motion passed.

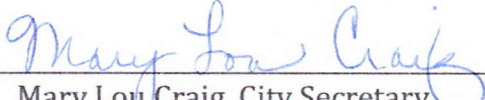
Resolution to deny rate increase for CenterPoint – Joe McSloy made a motion to accept the resolution to deny CenterPoint requested rate increase. David Schultz seconded and motion passed.

Burglary update – David Schultz reported current details regarding the two break-ins that occurred July 1st. He informed all in attendance that a suspect has been identified and a warrant would subsequently be issued. There was discussion by Alderman Schultz, Matt Childress and many others in attendance. Most agreed that the Neighborhood Watch Program would be a good idea.

8. Public Comments – None.

9. Comments – Mayor Pro Tem/Council/City Secretary - None

10. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.


Mary Lou Craig, City Secretary