

Minutes
Regular Session
Breckenridge City Commission

July 1, 2014 – 5:30 P.M.
Breckenridge City Offices Commission Chambers
105 North Rose Avenue
Breckenridge, Texas 76424

Those Present: Jimmy McKay, Mayor; David Wimberley, Commissioner; R. Kent Thompson, Commissioner; Andy McCuiston, City Manager; Heather Robertson-Caraway, City Secretary; Calvin Chaney, Fire Chief; Larry Mahan, Police Chief; Stacy Harrison, Public Services Director; Virgil Moore, BEDC; Sharon Mendoza, Chamber of Commerce; Bill Andrews; Colden Rich, e-HT; Andrew Gudal, e-HT; Erick Macha, First Southwest

Those Absent: Sherry Strickland, Mayor Pro-Tem; Tom Cyprian, Commissioner; Diane Latham, Asst. City Secretary; Brett Chaney, Asst. Fire Chief; Gabriel Rodriguez, Public Works Director

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Jimmy McKay at 5:30pm a quorum was established
2. **Invocation Led By:** City Manager McCuiston
3. **Pledge of Allegiance Led By:** Commissioner Wimberley
4. **Consider approval of minutes of the June 3rd and June 23rd, 2014 City Commission Meetings**

Commissioner Wimberley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, for approval of minutes of the June 3rd and June 23rd, 2014 City Commission Meetings. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

5. **Citizens Presentation**

Bill Andrews had a question on item #8 – to be addressed with # 8.

CONSENT AGENDA

ALL ITEMS LISTED BELOW ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE CITY COMMISSION AND WILL BE ENACTED WITH ONE MOTION, THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF ITEMS UNLESS A COMMISSION MEMBER OR CITIZEN SO REQUEST, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE.

6. **Request to approve Departmental Reports**
7. **Request to approve City of Breckenridge Investment Plan**

Commissioner Wimberley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKay, for approval of items number 6 and 7. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

8. Request to approve repealing and replacing Chapter 5 Article I - Buildings and Structures in General of the Code of Ordinances

Fire Chief Chaney explained that every three years we have to adopt the international building codes as a package, regardless of any changes. We are trying to change it so that we adopt the code every 9 to 12 years. We have to order \$1,500 worth of books every time we adopt, this will help us save some money by not ordering updated books that have no changes within them.

Mr. Andrews stated that Fire Chief Chaney answered his question.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wimberley for approval of repealing and replacing Chapter 5 Article I - Buildings and Structures in General of the Code of Ordinances. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

9. Request to authorize the submittal for application to Rural Development for grant in funding the Parks Street Improvement Project.

City Manager McCuiston introduced our financial advisor, Erick Macha with First Southwest and our engineer, Colden Rich with e-HT, stating they are going to address this issue with the Commission. He also stated we plan on putting this project in the budget for next year. This project was engineered 20 years ago and the City was unable to fund it. The Parks Street project is replacing the water and sewer lines, adding drainage, and resurfacing the road from Walker Street to 7th Street on Parks Street and from Parks Street to Rose Ave on Lindsey Street.

Colden also explained the project and stated the USDA approached them stating they had extra funds and they would like for us to submit our application for the Parks Street Project. These line improvements have also been taken into consideration with the emergency DWSRF project. Commissioner Thompson asked if they are proposing the entire funding of the 5.8 million dollars. Colden replied it will be only a percentage of the amount. Colden explained that if we need to, we can cut back on the project. The original project was for Parks Street alone, we have since added Lindsey Street due to the high traffic and issues with the road.

Erick explained the financing process of this project. Due to the slow funding process, the funds

may not be available till next summer. We do not need to add this project to this year's budget.

Mayor McKay stated right now we are just talking about the request to submit the application; once we go through the process and get approved, what happens if things fall apart. City Manager McCuiston replied we have to approve the debt. If they approve us, we still have the final say on it; we can decline it if things change.

Commissioner Wimberley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve authorization for submittal of application to Rural Development for grant in funding the Parks Street Improvement Project. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

10. Request to approve Amendment to Gaming Machines Ordinance

City Manager McCuiston stated this item is a result of some activity we have had in that area over the last six months. Our attorney found that our Ordinance was not in compliance with state law. Mahan stated that we approve these changes tonight to be in compliance with state laws. He is going to do some research on how to keep the machines out of this town, or at least make it harder for them to bring the machines in.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wimberley, to approve Amendment to Gaming Machines Ordinance. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

11. Request to approve and authorize the City Manager and/or City Secretary to sign required documentation to renew the Medical, Dental, Vision and Life Insurance coverage for all City Employees with TMLIEBP

City Manager McCuiston stated we have minimal increase on our health insurance rates. We budgeted \$500 for each employee and were only using \$450 and putting the rest into their HRA or HSA accounts. There is no increase in this budget, but there is a decrease in the amount we put in their HRA or HSA accounts.

Commissioner Wimberley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKay for approval and authorization for the City Manager and/or City Secretary to sign required documentation to renew the Medical, Dental, Vision and Life Insurance coverage for all City Employees with TMLIEBP. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

12. Request for nominees to replace Skip Griffin on the Appraisal District Board of Directors

City Manager McCuiston stated that Skip resigned from the Board. We are allowed to provide nominees for that position, if you have anyone in mind, we are looking for suggestions.

Commissioner Wimberley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson to table this item for the July 24th Budget Workshop Meeting. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

13. Request to approve the Chamber of Commerce Car Show for Saturday, July 19th

City Manager McCuiston introduced Sharon Mendoza to address this item. Sharon stated they are hoping for a huge turnout. There will be cash prizes that will be given out. They are requesting to have the 100 block of North Court and North Rose closed for the parked cars and 200 block of West Elm for the burn out contest. Police Chief Mahan will be there to help us. Waylon Volunteer Fire Department will bring in water from outside Breckenridge. They would also like to use the City Offices parking lot along with the parking lot across the street where the gazebo sits.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wimberley for approval of the Chamber of Commerce Car Show for Saturday, July 19th. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

14. Receipt and acknowledge Texas Gas Rate Increase Extension Letter

City Manager McCuiston stated there are two parts to this. We had taken action on this in June, however, Weatherford and Mineral Wells had their meeting after ours and had taken different actions. They ended up negotiating with Texas Gas and giving them a rate increase of \$916,391. Wyatt Irby, a representative with Texas Gas, contacted City Manager McCuiston and gave an extension letter till July 31st. Item number 15 has to do with approving the rate increase of \$916,391 that Weatherford and Mineral Wells approved.

Commissioner Wimberley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKay for approval of the receipt and acknowledgment of the Texas Gas Rate Increase Extension Letter. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

15. Request to approve Ordinance 14-14 for Texas Gas Service Rate Increase

Commissioner Wimberley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson for approval of Ordinance 14-14 for Texas Gas Service Rate Increase. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

16. Request to approve a resolution authorizing and approving a loan from the Office of the Governor Economic Development and Tourism to the Breckenridge Economic Development Corporation, authorizing the execution and delivery of the Loan Agreement and related documents, authorizing the pledge of Sales and Use Tax Receipts, and other matters in connection therein

Virgil explained that they were approved for the loan late last week. Last month the Commission approved the resolution to apply for the loan. Now that we are approved for the loan, the Commission has to approve the resolution to accept the loan.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKay for approval of a resolution authorizing and approving a loan from the Office of the Governor Economic Development and Tourism to the Breckenridge Economic Development Corporation, authorizing the execution and delivery of the Loan Agreement and related documents, authorizing the pledge of Sales and Use Tax Receipts, and other matters in connection therein. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian

17. City Manager Reports

- a. **Discussion on High Water Use Surcharge** – City Manager McCuiston explained that raising the water and sewer rates by 10% by volume rates and not affecting the minimum rates would give us a \$23,000 increase on the sewer side and \$70,000 increase on the water side. As we keep getting closer to Stage 3 drought, City Manager McCuiston has been reading articles on how other cities are handling different stages of the drought. There are two things that we are doing by raising the volume rate: 1) generating revenue & 2) encouraging residents to conserve the water.
- b. **Stephens County Proposed 2014 Appraisal District Budget**
- c. **Stephens County Appraisal District Audit** – items b and c are just for the Commissions information.
- d. **Budget**
 - i. **Budget to Commission on July 18, 2014**
 - ii. **Budget Workshop July 24 – 25, 2014**
- e. **Fire Department Grant** – Fire Chief Chaney explained they are spending \$5,000 a year to rent bunker gear while their gear is getting cleaned. We just got approved for an \$8,400 grant, and instead of spending the \$5,000 on cleaning and renting of our current gear, we are going to combine the money and buy new gear. In doing this, we will save about \$2,000 a year in rental while our bunker gear is getting cleaned. Next year we would only spend about \$3,200 in cleaning our bunker gear while we have our extra gear.

18. Items from the City Commission not requiring formal action

Commissioner Thompson told City Manager McCuiston about a pothole at the intersection of South Oakwood and West Elliot. Another pothole between Carstens and Allsups heading south near Elliot.

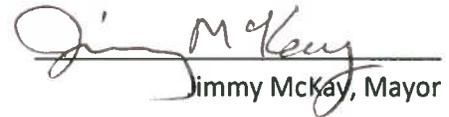
19. Adjourn

Commissioner Wimberley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson to adjourn the meeting. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Thompson, Wimberley. Nays: None. Absent: Strickland, Cyprian.

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 P.M.

ATTEST


Heather Robertson-Caraway, City Secretary


Jimmy McKay, Mayor

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