

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF McCULLOCH

CITY OF BRADY

The City Council of the City of Brady, Texas met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday July 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Aaron Garcia presiding. Council Members present were Missi Elliston, Larry Land, Gabe Moreno, Jeffrey Sutton and Felix Gomez, Jr. City staff present were City Manager Erin Corbell, Public Works Director Steven Miller, Finance Director Lisa McElrath, Police Chief Randy Batten, and City Secretary Tina Keys. Also in attendance were Phyllis and Dugan Sewell, Haden Keyser, Walt Broyles, Mark Moesley, Daniel Mendoza, Rhonda Wright, Wayne Wright, Charles Bush, Charles Madden, Chris Martin and James Griffin.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Mayor Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council quorum was certified.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Land gave the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Daniel Mendoza introduced himself and said he is the new Chamber Director and the EDC Director and he just wanted to say hello and introduce himself.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting on July 5, 2023.

Council Member Elliston moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Council Member Sutton. All council members voted "aye" and none "nay". Motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

- Contract Operator Services – Groundwater Treatment Plant – introduced Chris Hay with eH-T. Chris talked about the contract operator services for the water treatment plant. TCEQ requires 2 class C ground water operators to be onsite for at least 16 hours each per month. They have 8 licensed operators on staff. Their operators will assist with the start-up process.
- Third Quarter Financial Report – FY 2023 – Lisa McElrath presented to council.
- McCulloch Soil & Water Conservation District – Mark Mosley presented and introduced Walt Broyles and Hayden Keyser with NRCS. Brady was built in a flood prone area. Earl Rudder started a flood control project. Brady lake is one of 29 structures that they have. The City is the lead sponsor of the Brady Lake Dam. They do not get any funds to repair and maintain these dams. But they have the responsibility. The dam needs maintenance. They have no money and don't know when or if they will get money. There is no sign telling who built it or when. They are asking for about \$500 for a sign. Is also asking the city to budget monies to treat brush on the dam and the spillway. They will work with us and help. Aaron asked what the amount to budget would be. He said he thinks there are 122 acres maybe \$100 an acre. Could be more. It's classified as a high hazard dam. If it fails there will be loss of life. Jeffrey asked about the smaller dams. Mosley said it's their responsibility. Hayden said they are responsible to meet with the boards and make sure potential issues are caught early. They can help with our dam.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND INDIVIDUAL CONCERNS ON PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

7. INDIVIDUAL CONCERNS

- A. Discussion, consideration and possible action on awarding a contract proposal to Enprotec/Hibbs & Todd, Inc. (e-HT) for providing licensed water plant operator services at the groundwater treatment plant facility for a four (4) month period at a monthly rate of \$20,000.00. Steven Miller presented. Council Member Sutton moved to award to Enprotech / Hibbs & Todd, Inc. Abilene, Texas for licensed water plant operator services in the amount of \$80,000. Seconded by Council Member Elliston. All council members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote.
- B. Discussion, consideration, and possible action approving the purchase of 1,000T Limestone Rock Asphalt, Type 1, Grade D (cold mix) material from Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC, San Antonio, TX in the amount of \$111,580.00. Steven Miller presented. Council asked about the large charge for delivery. Council Member Moreno moved to table. Seconded by Council Member Elliston. Council Members Moreno, Gomez and Elliston voting “aye” and Council Members Land and Sutton voting “nay”. Motion passed with a 3 - 2 vote.
- C. Discussion, consideration and possible action approving contract with Brady/McCulloch County Chamber of Commerce for Economic Development Services. Erin Corbell presented. Council Member Moreno asked about an audit of the Chamber. Council wants to make sure Mr. Mendoza gets a clean bill of health when he starts. Daniel asked if EDC and tourism audits would be together. Erin said no, they would have to secure a separate audit for chamber. The city cannot make the chamber audit chamber funds. EDC will need to be done separately, in correlation with the City’s audit. Council Member Elliston moved to approve contract amended to include EDC board being bonded for services. Seconded by Council Member Gomez. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote.
- D. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the **first reading of Ordinance 1362** of the City of Brady, Texas, amending the FY23 budget for the Brady Economic Development Corporation. Erin Corbell presented. Council Member Elliston moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 1362. Seconded by Council Member Moreno. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote.
- E. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding sale of Dodge Heights lots. Council Member Elliston confirmed the owners will have the option to pay in full if they want to. Wayne Wright said he feels like it will be fair to do the same as we did for Davee. Rhonda Wright added at the last meeting, council had said we don’t want to be a bank, but we, at that point, agreed on 2 – 5 years, but Davee was extended a lot longer than 5 years so they’ve already agreed to a shorter time than the Davee residents. Council Member Elliston moved to approve offering lots to sale for current leaseholders at no interest for 5 years. Seconded by Council Member Land. Mayor Garcia said we will do everything we can to make sure those people that want their properties can get them. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 5 – 0 vote.

8. STAFF REPORTS

- A. **Monthly Financial / Utility Reports**
- B. **Monthly Activity Reports:** Seniors, Golf, BPD, Fire-EMS Calls, BVFD Expense Report, Animal Control, Airport, Code Enforcement, Municipal Court
- C. **Upcoming Special Events/Meetings:**
 - July 19 Good News Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., TruCountry Inn

July 20	Budget Work Session, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – IF needed
August 1	Regular City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
August 15	Regular City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Garcia said we have reached a verbal agreement with county for EMS services and thanked the council for allowing us to hold that meeting.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council of the City of Brady adjourned into Executive Session for the following:

- Pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), the City Council will consult with the City Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act: EMS agreement with McCulloch County

There was no Executive Session

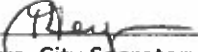
11. OPEN SESSION ACTION ON ANY ITEMS COMING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Garcia adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.



Aaron Garcia, Mayor

Attest: 

Tina Keys, City Secretary