

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 February 6, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Aaron Garcia presiding. Council Members present were Missi Elliston, Gabe Moreno, Jeffrey Sutton and Larry Land. City staff present were City Manager City Manager Corbell, Public Works Director Steven Miller, City Attorney Sharon Hicks, Police Chief Randy Batten, and City Secretary Tina Keys. Also in attendance were Terry Phillips, J.T. Owens, James Stewart, Chris Martin, Charles Bush, R. S. Bush, Tony Groves, Fred Frasier and Diana Frasier.

#### **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**

Tony Groves said he was asking council as they go through the process today to make an amendment to what was recommended by charter review commission. He would like the mayor to have a vote. The main objection to the mayor not having a vote is if there is a tie, but a tie is a loss of the motion that was made. The mayor's position should be a part of the record through the minutes. Through the years when he was mayor, he could always say the council decided – but he didn't have a vote so he couldn't have his position stated. He thinks the mayor should have a record on every motion. If it's a tie, the motion fails and you move on.

Randy Deans said he recently became aware of the city being interested in the Back on Your Feet location for a potential fire station. Mr. Deans said that location is a poor location. The response time is going to kill everybody. Our schools and nursing homes are too far. It needs to remain closely in the center of our community, and he is concerned about council considering that building as an option. We have more places in more central locations that would be more attractive such as next to the appraisal district. This is one of the main issues he has heard.

#### **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes Regular and Work Session meetings on January 23, 2024 and Special Joint Meeting on November 3, 2023.

Council Member Elliston moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Moreno. All Council Members voted "aye" and none "nay". Motion passed with a 4–0 vote.

#### **5. PRESENTATIONS:**

- Lead Copper Rule Revision – Steven Miller presented.

#### **6. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND INDIVIDUAL CONCERNS ON PUBLIC HEARING**

There were no public hearings.

#### **7. INDIVIDUAL CONCERNS**

- A. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding approval of Resolution 2024-002 to call a May 4, 2024 General Election for the purpose of filling City of Brady Mayor and City Council Place 1 expiring terms.

City Manager Corbell presented. Council Member Elliston moved to approve Resolution 2024-002. Seconded by Council Member Sutton. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.

- B. Discussion, consideration and possible action approving the first and final reading of Ordinance 1374 of the City of Brady to order the Special Election for amendments to the City Charter, as recommended by the Charter Review Commission. City Manager Corbell presented. Council Member Elliston moved to approve the first and final reading of Ordinance 1374. Seconded by Council Member Moreno. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.
- C. Discussion, consideration and possible action approval of Resolution 2024-003 to call May 4, 2024 Special Election for the purpose of authorizing the City to sell the natural gas distribution system owned by the City of Brady. Erin Corbell presented and explained that council had previously discussed the potential sale of the gas division. Any sale of a utility must be approved by resolution. Council Member Sutton asked if we have a contract with the gas we’re purchasing now. Steven Miller said he thinks it’s a yearly agreement. They’re just a supplier to Brady. Council Member Sutton asked if this will sacrifice our local control. Erin said we will no longer have control. Council Member Elliston moved to approve Resolution 2024-003. Seconded by Council Member Sutton. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.
- D. Discussion, consideration and possible action approving Interlocal Agreement for Mutual Aid with the City of Coleman. Erin Corbell presented. Council Member Elliston moved to approve. Seconded by Council Member Sutton. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.

## 8. STAFF REPORTS

### A. Upcoming Special Events/Meetings:

February 19	President's Day Holiday, City offices closed, altered trash schedule
February 20	Regular City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
March 5	Regular City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
March 19	Regular City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

## 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

## 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:
- Pursuant to Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) City Council will meet to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee: City Manager
- Pursuant to Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), the City Council will deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real properties of the City as the deliberation in an open meeting will have the detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person: Police Station / Fire Station

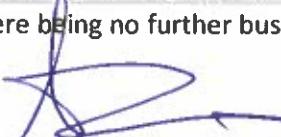
Regular session was recessed at 6:27 p.m. Executive Session was opened at 6:35 p.m. and closed at 7:11 p.m. Regular session reconvened at 7:11 p.m.

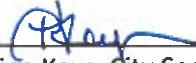
**11. OPEN SESSION ACTION ON ANY ITEMS COMING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no action as a result of executive session.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Garcia adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

  
Aaron Garcia, Mayor

Attest:   
Tina Keys, City Secretary