MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BASTROP CITY COUNCIL
March 27, 2018

The Bastrop City Council met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bastrop City Hall Council Chambers, located at 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas. Members present were Mayor Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem Schiff and Council Members Jones, Ennis, Nelson and Peterson. Officers present were City Manager Lynda Humble, City Secretary Ann Franklin and City Attorney Alan Bojorquez.

CALL TO ORDER
At 6:30 p.m. Mayor Schroeder called the meeting to order with a quorum being present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Jacob Anguiano and Fallon Hall, Bastrop Intermediate School, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION
Shane Sorenson, Visit Bastrop Director of Sales, gave the invocation.

PRESENTATIONS

4A. A proclamation of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, recognizing the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month for the City of Bastrop.
   The proclamation was read into record by Mayor Schroeder.

4B. Mayor’s Report

   A MINUTE WITH THE MAYOR – Boards and Commissions Calendar for 2018:
   • In June the City Manager will bring a revised boards and commissions ordinance before Council;
   • July 17th Volunteer Fair (this will also be open to all non-profit);
   • In August, receive applications and conduct interviews;
   • In September, appointments will be made (appointments will be effective October 1st);

   ACTIVITIES OF MAYOR SCHROEDER SINCE THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING:
   • March 17
     o Kite and Flower Day
     o “Irish I was In Bastrop” – Pub Crawl
     o St. Patrick was an Irishman
   • March 19
     o BEDC Monthly Meeting
   • March 20
     o BEDC Launch
     o Ribbon Cutting – All City Real Estate
   • March 21
     o Texas Travel Industry Association Unity Dinner
• March 22
  o Historical Society Exhibit – Governor Sayers and Cowboys, Cows & Cattlemen
    o Joint City Council and BEDC Board Meeting
• March 23
  o BEST Breakfast Meeting
  o Wesley’s Farewell Luncheon
  o Library Fund Raiser
  o FCI Battle Buddy Walk
  o Deep In the Foundry Night Art Pour
• March 24
  o Water & Wastewater Special Workshop
  o Bastrop Youth Performing Arts Academy Fund Raiser
• March 27
  o City Council Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS
• March 29
  o Speaker at FCI Women’s Leadership meeting
  o Ribbon Cutting Supreme Lending
• March 30
  o Good Friday (City Offices Closed)
• April 1
  o Easter Sunrise Service (Bastrop State Park)
• April 3
  o Wheels Sports Plaza Public Meeting
• April 4
  o Monthly Chamber Luncheon
    o BAIPP Meeting
• April 5
  o Farm Street Opry
• April 6
  o First Friday Art Walk
• April 7
  o Smithville Jamboree Parade on Bastrop City Float!
• April 10
  o Bastrop City Council Meeting
• April 11
  o Ribbon Cutting Anytime Fitness

4C. Councilmembers' Report
Council Member Ennis
• Attended the Main Street Program Board meeting on March 14th.
• Opening of two exhibits at the Museum and Visitor Center of Bastrop County Historical Society – Cowboys, Cows and Cattlemen and the Governor Sayers Exhibit.
Council Member Jones
- March 24th - Attended the water and wastewater workshop.

Council Member Peterson
- Participated in the Veteran's Suicide Prevention Walk at the Federal Correctional Institute, the walk was to bring awareness to suicide prevention for veterans.

4D. City Manager's Report
Friday, March 23rd was Wesley Brandon's last day as City of Bastrop Engineer. Jerry Palady, Palco ECS, LLC will serve as interim Director of Engineering and Development.

5. WORK SESSION/BRIEFINGS

5A. Presentation of appreciation from Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry regarding Empty Bowl Project. Presentation was made by Bastrop Emergency Food Pantry and Support Center Executive Director, Tresha Silva.

5B. Presentation regarding Follow-Up to November Chicken/Rooster Public Meeting. Presentation was made by City Manager, Lynda Humble; Public Safety Director/Chief of Police Steve Adcock; and Code Enforcement/Animal Control Officer, Troy Walters.

The following policy direction was given to staff: when the City Manager works with staff and comes back to Council after the trapping is done there will be a point in time where no free roaming feral chickens exist in the City limits of Bastrop, Texas. Clarification Summary: No more free roaming chickens, the funding of the coup would be done by outside sources but the City would agree to provide the location.

The City Manager stated that this will be a multi-year funding issue in order to get the chickens removed from the community. The City has a year-long agreement with Trapper Dan and an every other month proposal through February of 2019. The City Manager plans to put money in next year's budget to perpetuate the cycle of aggressively managing it. Get through next fiscal year and as fiscal year 2020 is built the progress may be evaluated to determine if a third year of funding is needed. City Manager stated, the law limits what can be legally done, every appropriate means will be exercised to legally remove the chickens without violating the law.

5C. Review and discuss Draft Ethics Ordinance. Presentation was made by Alan Bojorquez.

Consensus from Council to go with Draft A. This item will be brought back at the April 10th meeting, allotting time for public input.

Mayor Schroeder recessed the meeting at 8:25 P.M.
Mayor Schroeder called the meeting back to order at 8:31 P.M.

6. STAFF AND BOARD REPORTS

6A. Receive monthly report from Visit Bastrop.
   Presentation was made by Visit Bastrop President and CEO, Dale Lockett.

   Presentation was made by Chief Financial Officer, Tracy Waldron.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mike Kelly – Stated that Pine Forest Investment Group was informed by the people in the Bastrop Independent School District that Judge Pape was going to buy the Bastrop Independent School District’s interest in the Pine Forest land and use his bond reserve fund to begin developing Pine Forest. Mr. Kelly stated he felt it was ill advised policy for the City of Bastrop to join in with Judge Pape.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Schiff to approve Item 8A listed on the Consent Agenda after being read into the record by Mayor Schroeder. Seconded by Council Member Peterson, motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

8A. Consider action to approve City Council minutes from the February 20, 2018 workshop and March 13, 2018 regular meeting.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

9A. Consider action to approve Resolution R-2018-19 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, approving the Final Plat known as Bastrop Grove, Section 1, being 30.970 acres out of the Nancy Blakey Survey, Abstract 98, located south of the State Highway 71 and north of the extension of Agnes Street, within the city limits of Bastrop, Texas; as shown in Exhibit A; repealing all conflicting resolutions; and providing an effective date.
   Presentation was made by Planning Department Assistant Director, Jennifer Bills.

   A motion was made by Council Member Jones to approve Resolution No. R-2018-19, seconded by Council Member Ennis, motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

9B. Consider action to approve Resolution No. R-2018-18 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, authorizing repealing and replacing polling locations of Resolution No. R-2018-03 ordering the May 5, 2018 General Election to adopt changes to early voting locations and Election Day polling locations; and establishing an effective date.
   Presentation was made by City Secretary, Ann Franklin.

   A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Schiff to approve Resolution No. R-2018-18, seconded by Council Member Jones, motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.
9C. Consider action to approve Resolution No. R-2018-20 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, approving a Joint Agreement between the City of Bastrop and Bastrop County Water Control and Improvement District No. 2 for the May 5, 2018 General Election for Bastrop, Texas, attached as Exhibit A; authorizing the Mayor to execute all necessary documents; and providing an effective date. Presentation was made by City Secretary, Ann Franklin.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Schiff to approve Resolution No. R-2018-20, seconded by Council Member Jones, motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

9D. Consider action to approve Resolution No. R-2018-21 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, approving an amended contract for election services between the Elections Administrator of Bastrop County and the City of Bastrop for the May 5, 2018 General Election for Bastrop, Texas, attached as Exhibit A; authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents; and providing an effective date. Presentation was made by City Secretary, Ann Franklin.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Schiff to approve Resolution No. R-2018-21, seconded by Council Member Jones, motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council met at 9:17 p.m. in a closed/executive session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, et seq, to discuss the following:

10A. City Council shall convene into closed executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to discuss and deliberate litigation matters with the City Attorney regarding Pine Forest 6, et al vs. City of Bastrop, et al.

10B. City Council shall convene into closed executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 to conduct a semi-annual performance evaluation of the City Manager as required by her employment agreement.

The Bastrop City Council reconvened at 10:32 p.m. into open (public) session.

TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON MATTERS POSTED FOR CONSIDERATION IN CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 10:32 p.m. without objection.

APPROVED:  

[Signature]
Mayor Connie B. Schroeder

ATTEST:  

[Signature]
City Secretary Ann Franklin

The Minutes were approved on April 10, 2018, by Mayor Pro Tem Schiff’s motion, Council Member Ennis’ second. The motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.