

Brenham City Council Minutes

A regular meeting of the Brenham City Council was held on November 17, 2016 beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Brenham City Hall, City Council Chambers, at 200 W. Vulcan Street, Brenham, Texas.

Members present:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Gloria Nix
Councilmember Andrew Ebel
Councilmember Keith Herring
Councilmember Mary E. Barnes-Tilley
Councilmember Weldon Williams, Jr.

Members absent:

Councilmember Danny Goss

Others present:

City Manager Terry Roberts, City Attorney Cary Bovey, City Secretary Jeana Bellinger, Deputy City Secretary Kacey Weiss, Assistant City Manager – Chief Financial Officer Carolyn Miller, Crystal Locke, Fire Chief Ricky Boeker, Police Chief Craig Goodman, Public Works Director Dane Rau, Assistant City Manager of Public Utilities Lowell Ogle, Kim Hodde and Lori Lakatos

Citizens present:

Lu Hollander, Page Michel and Clint Kolby

Media Present:

Arthur Hahn, Brenham Banner Press; Caitlin Hahn, Brenham Banner Press; and Noelle Buffam, KWHI

- 1. Call Meeting to Order**
- 2. Invocation and Pledges to the US and Texas Flags – City Manager Terry Roberts**
- 3. Citizens Comments**

There were no citizen comments.

- 4. **Proclamation**
 - **50th Anniversary of Blinn College Theater Arts Program**

CONSENT AGENDA

- 5. **Statutory Consent Agenda**
 - 5-a. **Minutes from the September 15, 2016 and October 13, 2016 Regular City Council Meetings**
 - 5-b. **Ordinance No. O-16-030 on Its Second Reading Authorizing a Variance to Residential Lot Requirements, as Outlined in Section 23-22(5)(a) of the City of Brenham’s Code of Ordinances, on a Tract of Land Being Described as Tract 126, 11.55 Acres of Land, Out of the John Carrington Survey, A0120, Located off Industrial Boulevard, in Brenham, Washington County, Texas**
 - 5-c. **Ordinance No. O-16-031 on Its Second Reading Amending Part 1, Section 5.02 (Definitions), (53) Dwelling, Detached, of Appendix A: Zoning of the City of Brenham’s Code of Ordinances, Establishing 750 Square Feet as the Minimum Square Footage Allowed for Single Family Detached Dwellings on Individual Lots**

A motion was made by Councilmember Barnes-Tilley and seconded by Councilmember Ebel to approve the Statutory Consent Agenda Items 5-a., 5-b. and 5-c. as presented.

Mayor Tate called for a vote. The motion passed with Council voting as follows:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Gloria Nix	Yes
Councilmember Andrew Ebel	Yes
Councilmember Danny Goss	Absent
Councilmember Keith Herring	Yes
Councilmember Mary E. Barnes-Tilley	Yes
Councilmember Weldon Williams	Yes

WORK SESSION

6. Presentation of the Fourth Quarter Report by the Washington County Convention and Visitors Bureau

Lu Hollander, with the Washington County Convention and Visitors Bureau, presented this report. Hollander focused on the highlights featured in the *Fourth Quarter Report: July – September 2016*, pointing out the visitor statistics, major tourism events, advertising placements, and editorial coverage.

REGULAR SESSION

7. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Purchase of Six (6) Vehicles, Using BuyBoard Contract No. 430-13, for the City of Brenham Police Department and Authorize the Mayor to Execute Any Necessary Documentation

Police Chief Craig Goodman presented this item. Goodman stated the department rotates older (high mileage and worn) vehicles from time to time for replacement to equip the patrol, investigative, and administrative divisions. Goodman advised that in order to maintain the current service level with fleet, the department is requesting to purchase (3) three patrol and (3) three administrative vehicles this year.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Nix and seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve the purchase of six (6) new vehicles, using BuyBoard Contract No. 430.13, in the amount of \$217,328, for the City of Brenham Police Department and authorize the Mayor to execute any necessary documentation.

Mayor Tate called for a vote. The motion passed with Council voting as follows:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Gloria Nix	Yes
Councilmember Andrew Ebel	Yes
Councilmember Danny Goss	Absent
Councilmember Keith Herring	Yes
Councilmember Mary E. Barnes-Tilley	Yes
Councilmember Weldon Williams	Yes

8. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Resolution No. R-16-032 Nominating Valmont Industries, Inc. to the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism for Designation as an Enterprise Project Under the Texas Enterprise Zone Program

Project Manager with the Brenham Economic Development Foundation Clint Kolby presented this item. Kolby stated the Council is being asked to consider nominating Valmont Industries as an Enterprise Project to the State of Texas. Kolby explained participation in the Texas Enterprise Zone Program is possible because of Valmont Industries' expansion of their Coatings Division at the Brenham facility. Kolby advised that in order for the application to be submitted, the City is required to consider the Resolution nominating Valmont Industries for the State of Texas Enterprise Zone program. Kolby stated a company that qualifies as a State Enterprise Project qualifies for reimbursement of the State portion of sales and use tax paid as a part of the business expansion. Kolby noted that no local sales tax is rebated to the Company and that the designation is for a five year period.

A motion was made by Councilmember Herring and seconded by Councilmember Ebel to approve Resolution No. R-16-032 nominating Valmont Industries, Inc. to the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism for Designation as an Enterprise Project under the Texas Enterprise Zone Program

Mayor Tate called for a vote. The motion passed with Council voting as follows:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Gloria Nix	Yes
Councilmember Andrew Ebel	Yes
Councilmember Danny Goss	Absent
Councilmember Keith Herring	Yes
Councilmember Mary E. Barnes-Tilley	Yes
Councilmember Weldon Williams	Yes

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 1:20 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. Section 551.072 – Texas Government Code – Deliberation Regarding Real Property – Discussion Concerning the Value and Possible Conveyance of a 3,329 Square Foot Tract of Land Being Described as Part of the A. Harrington Survey, A-55, Being Part of Block 8 of the Keys 1st Addition in Brenham, Washington County, Texas to Brenham Wholesale Grocery Co., Inc.

Executive Session adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

RE-OPEN REGULAR SESSION

10. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Conveyance of a 3,329 Square Foot Tract of Land Being Described as Part of the A. Harrington Survey, A-55, Being Part of Block 8 of the Keys 1st Addition in Brenham, Washington County, Texas to Brenham Wholesale Grocery Co., Inc. and Authorize the Mayor to Execute Any Necessary Documentation

A motion was made by Councilmember Barnes-Tilley and seconded by Councilmember Ebel to convey a 3,329 square foot tract of land being described as part of the A. Harrington Survey, A-55, being part of Block 8 of the Keys 1st Addition in Brenham, Washington County, Texas to Brenham Wholesale Grocery Co., Inc. in exchange for Brenham Wholesale Grocery Co., Inc. paying for the re-plat of certain property owned by the parties in Block 8 of the Keys 1st Addition and authorize the Mayor to execute any necessary documentation.

Mayor Tate called for a vote. The motion passed with Council voting as follows:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Gloria Nix	Yes
Councilmember Andrew Ebel	Yes
Councilmember Danny Goss	Absent
Councilmember Keith Herring	Yes
Councilmember Mary E. Barnes-Tilley	Yes
Councilmember Weldon Williams	Yes

11. Administrative/Elected Officials Report

City Manager Terry Roberts reported on the following:

- John Snowden has been named the Animal Shelter Supervisor
- Council meeting dates for December will be the 1st and 15th
- The Christmas Stroll and Lighted Parade will be December 2nd-3rd
- Brenham Tourism Exchange meeting will be December 13th from 4:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. at the Barnhill Center

Public Works Director Dane Rau reported on the following:

- All the basketball courts throughout town have been updated
- The library parking lot has been completed and final touches are being done in the serenity garden

The meeting was adjourned.

Milton Y. Tate, Jr.
Mayor

Jeana Bellinger, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary