

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
December 21, 2017

THE BLUE RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MET IN SPECIAL SESSION AT 7:15 P.M. ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2017 AT THE BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER, LOCATED AT 200 W. TILTON, BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS 75424 AT 7:15 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION.

1. Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.
2. Roll was called with the following members present, Mayor Rhonda Williams, Amber Wood, Christina Porath and Allen Cunnyngnam. Gerald Young and Kevin Bell were absent.
3. Consider, discuss and act upon an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Blue Ridge and Hunt County for a City-County Plat Approval Agreement granting authority to the City of Blue Ridge to regulate all subdivision plats and approve all related permits within its Extra Territorial Jurisdiction that lies within Hunt County

Council was informed the ILA was spurned from the recent development located in both Collin and Hunt Counties within the City of Blue Ridge's ETJ. Amber Wood motioned to approve the Plat Approval Agreement between Hunt County and the City of Blue Ridge with Christina Porath seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consider, discuss and act upon an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Blue Ridge and Hunt County for a City-County Environmental Health Agreement establishing Hunt County's authority to regulate health issues including septic and food-service issues within the City of Blue Ridge's Extra Territorial Jurisdiction that lies within Hunt County

Council was encouragement to agree with Hunt County to perform all septic (OSSF). Hunt County also wishes to regulate any food service issues which may come to fruition in this area. There is not a conflict with this agreement. Amber Wood motioned to approve the Environmental Health Agreement between Hunt County and the City of Blue Ridge with Christina Porath seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Second Public Hearing to consider, discuss and act upon a Replat for property located within the City of Blue Ridge at 403 E Lamm, also known as Deen Addition, Lot 2

Mayor Williams opened the Public Hearing at 7:20pm and asked for those FOR the replat to come forward. Phillip Pulliam, owner of the property and David Apple, surveyor for Mr. Pulliam, both stated they are FOR the replat to be approved.

Mayor Williams asked for those OPPOSING the replat to step forward. With no one coming forward, Mayor Williams closed the Public Hearing at 7:20pm.

Christina Porath motioned to approve the replat as presented with Allen Cunnyngnam seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Consider, discuss and act upon sponsoring 3 Blue Ridge High School students for a trip to Washington, DC as part of a Student Advisory Council

Blue Ridge High School Principal Anthony Figueroa came before the Council and introduced Marlaina Morgan, Abigayle Avery and Ellergy Martin, students selected to be part of a Student Advisory Council. The aforementioned students have worked hard to meet with congressional leadership programs. This program will give insight for our future leadership all the while opening understanding of current needs. During the 2nd week of February, students will offer opinions from small town perspective to congressmen Johnson and Ratcliffe. This is an opportunity for our community to have their voices heard thru these future leaders. The program is short \$500 to allow the students to participate.

Each student came forward expressing their direction and goals toward their future and the work emphasizing the direction of leadership for our area.

Christina Porath expressed concern if this funding is approved, other students for valid and worthy causes will request financial support and where this type of request ends. Due to this particular type of use, Ms. Porath is in favor to have these students represent Blue Ridge. Mr. Figueroa stated this is first time for Blue Ridge ISD to attend this type of leadership program.

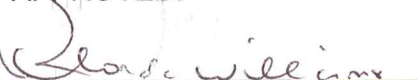
Allen Cunnyingham stated he was proud of the students accomplishments but feels the school and city should be separate.

Christina Porath motioned to fund \$500 to the Student Advisory Council program with Amber Wood seconding the motion. Motion carried 2 to 1 with Allen Cunnyingham opposing.

7. Citizen Participation - no one spoke during Citizen Participation.

8. Adjournment. Christina Porath motioned to adjourn with Amber Wood seconding the motion. Council adjourned at 7:32pm.

APPROVED:


Rhonda Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:


Edie Sims, City Secretary