

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
July 24, 2018

THE BLUE RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MET IN SPECIAL SESSION AT 7:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2018 AT THE BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER, LOCATED AT 200 W. TILTON, BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS 75424 AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION.

1. Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Roll was called with the following members present: Mayor Rhonda Williams, Christina Porath, Kevin Bell, Amber Wood, Gerald Young and Keith Chitwood.
3. Consider, discuss and act upon all matters incident and related to approving and authorizing publication of notice of intention to issue a certificate of obligation, including the adoption of a resolution pertaining thereto  
Christina Porath motioned to approve item 3 including the resolution with Amber Wood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Consider, discuss and act upon all matters incident and related to approving and authorizing the execution of an engagement letter with Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP for bond counsel services  
Amber Wood motioned to approve item 4 with Christina Porath seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Consider, discuss and act upon all matters incident and related to approving and authorizing the execution of a Municipal Advisory Agreement with Hilltop Securities Inc. as our Municipal Advisor  
Christina Porath motioned to approve item 5 with Kevin Bell seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Consider, discuss and act upon a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Birkhoff, Hendricks & Carter, LLP to provide engineering services for the Ridgeway Drive Roadway and Water Line Rehabilitation project  
Christina Porath motioned to approve the contract for item 6 with Amber Wood seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Budget Workshop for Fiscal Year 2018-2019  
Council reviewed the Revenue and General Tax Fund Proposed Budget line by line. After reviewing the previous year's expenses along with the comparison of last year's budget; Council agreed to continue working with the figures to come to a zero balance.  
Council also discussed the General Tax Fund with three (3) tax rate proposals. The majority of the Council agreed to pursue the rollback tax rate of \$0.594114 which will accommodate services throughout Fiscal Year 2018-2019. Council also discussed going out for bids for Animal Control services. Council also discussed working with the Volunteer Fire Department and requested a meeting with the Council.  
Council also requested having a prayer and Pledge of Allegiance at each meeting.

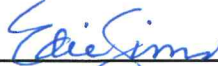
8. Adjournment. Christina Porath motioned to adjourn with Kevin Bell seconding the motion. Council adjourned at 9:56pm.

APPROVED:



Rhonda Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:



Edie Sims, City Secretary