



Fires! A home located on North State Street in Bronte caught fire Tuesday, February 16, 2021 (top right photo). It has also been reported that local first responders were called to another structure fire on that day as well (top left photo).

...Bronte City Council meeting

(Continued from previous page) The Economic Development Corporation 4A board has not been able to meet to finalize their FY20-21 budget.

The City is working on getting water lines in place for landscaping at the cemetery.

There was nothing to report regarding the depot.

The Building Permit Committee reviewed and approved two building permits since the last meeting - one metal fence and one house that is being moved in. There were no denied permits.

A Mobile Food Vendor permit was submitted but was incomplete. No action was

Ricky Royall explained that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) required the City Council to review and make changes as needed to the Drought Contingency Plan that was adopted in 2000. Stormy Vaughn made the motion to Drought accept the Contingency Plan as presented and was seconded by Gwen Dyess. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

City Secretary Teresa Ballard would like the Council to consider taking former Deputy City Secretary Sherry Bailey's signature off of all city financial accounts, including the safety deposit box, and adding new City Clerk Tina Smith and newly elected Council Member Gwen Dyess to all city accounts, including the safety deposit box and signature cards. Cooper made the motion to remove Sherry Bailey from all city financial accounts and add Tina Smith and Gwen Dyess to all city financial accounts. He was seconded by Santiago Rodriguez and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Resolution 20-08, authorizing the Mayor to execute the already approved Republic Services contract for disposal of trash and solid waste, effective October 1, 2021, was discussed. Stormy Vaughn made the motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the contract with Republic Services and was seconded by Santiago Rodriguez. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Consideration was given to giving billing rate discounts for all churches and community parks. Stormy Vaughn made the motion to give the passthrough rate of 10% discount for sanitation waste on poly carts and containers to the local churches, and no charge to Coke County for the three dumpsters currently located at the community park. She was seconded by Santiago Rodriguez and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

It was discussed to amend the Interlocal Agreement with Coke County, adding no charge for up to three dumpsters at the community park to continuation of not charging the County for any overage. Stormy Vaughn made the motion to add to Section 6 (e) to say that the City will provide up to three sanitation dumpsters/ containers, at no charge to the county for the community baseball field, pool, and park for the duration of the City contract with Republic Services. She was seconded by Santiago Rodriguez and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Resolution 20-09, authorizing the Mayor to execute said resolution allowing Restoring Bronte Foundation the use of City owned property for Christmas in Olde Bronte and to hold festivities inside the depot and the area surrounding the depot on December 12, 2020, was discussed. Santiago Rodriguez made the motion to approve Christmas in Olde Bronte to use the depot unless state and/or county prohibits holding the festival due to COVID-19. He was seconded by Stormy Vaughn and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Resolution 20-10, authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Eckert & Company of San Angelo, Texas, for auditing services, was discussed. Stormy Vaughn made the motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement and was seconded by Santiago Rodriguez. motion passed with a vote of 5 -

Santiago Rodriguez made the

motion to approve the regular City Council meeting minutes from October 15, 2020, and special City Council meeting minutes from November 12, He was seconded by

Stormy Vaughn and the motion Expenditures, passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Ron Cooper made the motion to approve consent agenda items 12 - 18 - Aging Report, August Balance Sheet and Revenue and

and October finance reports (bills paid, check register, bank reconciliation for General, Water, Sewer, Sanitation and Cemetery Funds).

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