

Brenham City Council Minutes

A special meeting of the Brenham City Council was held on November 19, 2021 beginning at 8:00 a.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 Clint Kolby
Councilmember Shannan Canales
Councilmember Leah Cook
Councilmember Albert Wright

Members Absent:

Councilmember Atwood Kenjura
Councilmember Adonna Saunders

City of Brenham Staff present:

Interim City Manager Carolyn Miller, City Secretary Jeana Bellinger and Tourism and Marketing Director Jennifer Eckermann

Citizens/Others Present:

None.

Media Present:

Alyssa Faykus, Brenham Banner Press; and Mark Whitehead, KWHI

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

No citizens comments were heard.

4. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon a Recommendation for Appointments to The Brenham Historic Preservation Board and Authorize the Mayor to Execute Any Necessary Documentation

City Secretary Jeana Bellinger presented this item. Bellinger explained that over the past couple of weeks staff has received two applications for Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations to two different properties in the Downtown area. As outlined in Ordinance No. O-21-016, adopted by Council in August 2021, these Certificates must be reviewed by the Brenham Historic Preservation Board within 35 days of receipt of the application and if the Board does not act within 60-days of receipt of the application, the Certificate is deemed approved. Due to the 35-day requirement in the ordinance, the Boards and Committees Sub-Committee of Council (Councilmembers Canales, Cook and Saunders) authorized staff to move forward with advertising for citizens to fill five (5) of the seven (7) positions on the Board. The other two citizen positions on the Board, as outlined in the Ordinance, were nominated and voted on by the downtown property owners. The advertisement for positions on this Board began the week of October 25th and the deadline was November 12th.

Bellinger advised that in response to the advertisement campaign, her office received 10 applications. The Council Sub-Committee met on November 15th to review the applications and verify the applicants complied with the requirements outlined in the Ordinance. The Ordinance states that the members of this Board shall represent the following categories: architect with historic preservation experience; planner; design professional; historian; licensed real estate broker; attorney; or member of a historic preservation society. After review of the applications, the Council Sub-Committee recommends the following persons be appointed to the Brenham Historic Preservation Board for the terms indicated below:

Brad Tegeler - 3 year term to expire on December 31, 2024
Jennifer Hermann - 3 year term to expire on December 31, 2024
Paul Homeyer - To Be Determined
Bob Grabarshick - To Be Determined
Stacy Marhofer - To Be Determined
Hal Moorman - To Be Determined
Mike Vance - To Be Determined

As outlined in the Ordinance, the five (5) citizen appointments will draw lots to establish their staggered terms with four (4) members serving a 2-year term and one (1) member serving a 3-year term. This draw of lots will be performed at their first meeting and an update will be provided to the City Council at the December 16th Council meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Canales and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kolby to approve the recommendations for appointment to The Brenham Historic Preservation Board as presented by staff 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 Clint Kolby	Yes
Councilmember Shannan Canales	Yes
Councilmember Leah Cook	Yes
Councilmember Atwood Kenjura	Absent
Councilmember Adonna Saunders	Absent
Councilmember Albert Wright	Yes

The meeting was adjourned.

Milton Y. Tate, Jr.

Mayor

Jeana Bellinger, TRMC, CMC

City Secretary