

CITY OF BASTROP

BRIDGING BASTROP BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 20th, 2024

The Bridging Bastrop Board met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 20th, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Bastrop City Hall Council Chambers, 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas, with the following action taken to wit:

Board Members Present

Chair Sheila Lowe
Nancy Wood
Carly Bartee
Cederick Williams
Karen Knight

Staff Present

City Manager Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino
Human Resources Director Tanya Cantrell
Assistant City Secretary Victoria Psencik
Council Member Kerry Fossler
Mayor Pro Tem John Kirkland

Board Members Absent

Mary Moody (virtual)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lowe called the Regular Bridging Bastrop Board meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. with a quorum present.

2. CITIZEN COMMENT(S)

No comments were submitted.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3A. **Introduction and Welcome to the new Bridging Bastrop Board Members.**

3B. **Update and Discussion on Past Events:**

- Boards and Commissions Banquet on October 24th.
- Sit with Sylvia on October 29th at 7:30am at City Hall.
- Planning & Zoning Commission on October 30th at 5pm at City Hall: Ordinance Amendments
- Veterans "Red, White & Blue Banquet" on November 9th.

3C. **Update and Discussion on Upcoming Events:**

- November 21 at 5:00 pm - Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting at the Convention Center
- November 21 at 6:30 pm - Special City Council & Planning and Zoning Commission

Meeting at the Convention Center

- November 29 at 7:00 pm - Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony in Fisherman's Park
- November 29 to January 5 - River of Lights in Fishermans' Park from 6:00 pm to 10pm
- November 30 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm - Wassail Fest & Small Business Saturday in Downtown Bastrop
- December 12 to December 13 - Celebrating Minority Heritage and Historic Architecture at the Kerr Community Center
- December 13 - Holiday Rendezvous Gala Museum and Visitor Center of Bastrop County Historical Society at the Convention Center
- December 14 - Holiday Historic Homes Tour Museum and Visitor Center of Bastrop County Historical Society in Downtown Bastrop
- December 14 at 6:00 pm - Lost Pines Lighted Christmas Parade in Downtown Bastrop -
- December 20 at 6:00 pm - Holiday Movie in the Park at Fisherman's Park

3D. Additional Announcements and/or Events from individual Bridging Bastrop Board Members.

Board Member Wood added the Music in the Museum Event on December 21, 2024 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm.

4. REPORTS

4A. Updates on job training and workforce development initiatives tailored to the needs of the community and partnerships with Bastrop EDC Board, Bastrop Chamber of Commerce and Workforce Solutions of Bastrop County:

Discussed the benefits of having multiple sessions, focusing on a couple of key items each time, rather than a one day event for everything. Planning on late Spring for this series.

5. WORKSHOP

5A. Reviewed and discussed the Bridging Bastrop Board Work Plan to prepare for 2025 activities.

No action was taken.

6. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

6A. Consider and act to approve the Bridging Bastrop Board Meeting minutes from the Thursday, October 10, 2024 Regular Meeting.

MOTION: Board Member Nancy Wood moved to approve the Bridging Bastrop Board minutes from the October 10th, 2024 Regular Meeting. Board Member Carly Bartee seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

6B. **Review, Discussion and possible action on the City of Bastrop Human Resources Department Monthly Employment Reports:**

6C. **Individual Requests from Bridging Bastrop Board members for particular items to be listed on future agendas (no group discussion).**

- Usage of bus stops for dissemination of information
- How to involve the Housing Authority
- How to get information to established programs related to seniors, veterans, etc.
- Affordable housing policy statement

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon receiving a motion and a second to adjourn, the November 20th, 2024 Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m. without objection.

APPROVED:

Sheila Lowe, Bridging Bastrop Board Chair

ATTEST:

Victoria Psencik, Assistant City Secretary