

**MINUTES OF BRIDGING BASTROP BOARD MEETING
JULY 24th, 2024**

The Bridging Bastrop Board met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 24th, at 5:30 p.m. at Bastrop City Hall, located at 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas. Members present were: Sheila Lowe, Anthony Vasquez, Nancy Wood, Carly Barte, George Martinez. City Secretary Sylvia Carrillo, City Council Member Kerry Fossler, HR Director Tanya Cantrell, Assistant City Secretary Victoria Psencik.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

At 5:35pm Chair Sheila Lowe called the meeting to order with a quorum being present.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE

3. WORKSHOP:

3a. Discussion with Ishmael Harris from the Planning & Zoning Commission regarding areas for collaboration. Planning for growth and traffic flow, discussed the importance of drivability and walkability for equitable communities. Agreed for Bridging Bastrop Board to highlight a couple of items from the P&Z masterplan which are critical to DEI in our community. BBB will request a copy of the summaries of the other boards and commissions masterplans to review and highlight in the same way.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

4a. Update on past events:

4b. Update and discussion on upcoming events:

- National Day of The Cowboy on Saturday July 27th 10am – 2pm at the Museum and Visitor Center.
- Sit with Syl Sessions on July 30th and August 28th
- Economic Equity for Bastrop Entrepreneurs on July 31st at the library
- Bastrop Homecoming and rodeo from July 30th through August 3rd
- Indigenous People Day at the museum in October
- Veterans “Red, White & Blue Banquet” on November 9th

5. UPDATES:

5a. Received updates on City Council Resolution No. R-2024-81 from the July 9th meeting regarding changing the name of the Bastrop DEI Board to the Bridging Bastrop Board.

6. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

6a. Consider action to approve the Bridging Bastrop Board (DEI Board) minutes from the July 1, 2024 Regular Meeting. Nancy made a motion to approve, Carly seconded, vote passed.

6b. Received report and update from the City of Bastrop Human Resources Department regarding the June monthly employment reports. Reviewed data with Tanya Cantrell.

6c. Discussion and possible action on updates to the website content to reflect the board name change and any other changes. Additions to website include: Resolution with name change information, as well as updated logo when complete. Discussed the need for items with BBB logo on them, such as a tablecloth, buttons or magnets and a stand up sign. Need to take a group photo at August meeting.

6d. Discussion and possible action on board representation at future City Council meetings. Agreed to come in pairs to council meetings.

6e. Discussion and possible action on creating a social media presence for the Board. Discussed posting guidelines, no deleting or blocking allowed, comments remain open and public. Michelle Limas has volunteered to help BBB. Agreed to create a monthly post which we will send to Collin to upload on the city's Facebook page. Sheila and Carly to create first posts based on June and July BBB meetings. Reviewed opengov.com, asked to utilize this as soon as it is ready.

6f. Individual requests from BBB members for particular items to be listed on future agendas (no group discussion allowed): need updated BBB logo, new board photo, review masterplan summaries from all boards and commissions, possibly having an August 8th meeting to review the master plans for the P&Z Commission Workshop.

7. ADJORNMENT:

Chair Sheila Lowe adjourned the meeting at **6:57 p.m.** without objection.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Insert name and title of signer

Insert name of person attesting