

**CITY OF BASTROP**  
**REGULAR BRIDGING BASTROP BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**AUGUST 8, 2024**

The Bridging Bastrop Board met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, August 8, 2024, at 5:00 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  
George Martinez  
Mary Moody (virtually)

**Staff Present**

Human Resources Director Tanya Cantrell

**City Council Members Present**

Mayor Pro-Tem John Kirkland

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Lowe called the Regular Bridging Bastrop Board meeting to order at 5:08 p.m. with a quorum present. Board Member Anthony Vasquez was absent.

**2. CITIZEN COMMENT(S)**

No comments were submitted.

**6. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

**6B. Receive report and update from the City of Bastrop Human Resources Department regarding the July Monthly Employment Reports.**

Human Resources Director, Tanya Cantrell gave the report and update regarding the July Monthly Employment Reports. Director Cantrell reported that interviews for the Bastrop EDC Business Attraction, Retention, and Expansion (BARE) Manager have started. The Board and Director Cantrell discussed the need for more Human Resource staff to meet the City's growth and expansion.

No formal action was taken on Item 6B.

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**- Sit with Syl Session on July 30th**

**- Economic Equity for Bastrop Entrepreneurs**

**- Bastrop Homecoming and Rodeo**

The Economic Equity for Bastrop Entrepreneurs sessions had wrapped up.

No formal action was taken on Item 3A.

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

**- Bastrop Chamber of Commerce Bastrop County Health Fair on August 10th**

**- Sit with Syl Session on August 28th - The Traveling Exhibition Harriet Tubman Program through August 31st at Kerr Community Park**

**- Indigenous People Day at the Museum in October**

**- Veterans "Red, White, & Blue Banquet" on November 9th**

No formal action was taken on Item 3B.

3C. **Additional Announcements and/or Events from individual Bridging Bastrop Board members.**

There were no new events added. Board Member Martinez inquired about following up on the applicant received at the Board and Commission Fair.

No formal action was taken on Item 3C.

4. **UPDATES**

4A. **Update on the schedule for the Infomercial Sessions with Colin Guerra, Public Information Manager.**

Chair Lowe and Board Member Bartee will work with Public Information Manager Colin Guerra on the scripts for the Infomercial Sessions.

No formal action was taken on Item 4A.

6. **ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

6A. **Consider action to approve the Bridging Bastrop Board minutes from the July 24, 2024, Regular Meeting.**

**MOTION:** Board Member **Name** moved to approve the Bridging Bastrop Board minutes from the July 24, 2024 Regular Meeting. Board Member **Name** seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

6C. **Discussion and possible action on moving the regular Bridging Bastrop Board meeting date to the 2nd Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m.**

**MOTION:** Board Member Name moved to approve changing the regular Bridging Bastrop Board meeting date to the second Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm. Board Member Name seconded the motion. The Board discussed that the Human Resource Department's reports will be behind and will allow additional time to complete due to meeting date change. Motion carried unanimously.

6D. **Discussion and possible action on inviting a consultant to provide training for the Bridging Bastrop Board regarding upcoming board initiatives.**

The Board discussed for Chair Lowe to contact Krystal Grimes and Dominica McGinnis to review the Board's plans and help with moving forward with upcoming initiatives.

No formal action was taken on Item 6D.

6E. **Discussion and possible action on job training and workforce development initiatives tailored to the needs of the community and partner with Bastrop EDC Board, Bastrop Chamber of Commerce, and Workforce Solutions of Bastrop County.**

The Board discussed partnering opportunities with the listed organizations. Chair Lowe and Board Member Wood will contact Becki Womble with the Bastrop Chamber of Commerce and the new Bastrop EDC BARE Manager. Board Member Bartee will contact Workforce Solutions of Bastrop County.

No formal action was taken on Item 6E.

6F. **Discussion and possible action on the revised Bridging Bastrop logo**

The Board discussed the revised logo and changes to the font. Chair Lowe will work on edits with Digital Media Specialist Rick Gullikson.

No formal action was taken on Item 6F.

6G. **Review, discuss, and possible action on the new social media format for Bridging Bastrop Board posts on the City of Bastrop social media pages.**

The Board discussed changes to the font and photos.

No formal action was taken on Item 6G.

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

Individual Requests made from the Board Members:

- Updated Bridging Bastrop Board logo
- New Board photo
- Review Master Plan summaries from all Boards and Commissions

- Request to Director Cantrell for pricing for job postings

No formal action was taken on Item 6H.

**5. WORKSHOP**

**5A. Review the City's Comprehensive Plan summary on Transportation and Traffic and prepare recommendations for presentation and discussion at the Planning and Zoning Commission Workshop on August 17th.**

The Board discussed the importance of intentional connectivity with sidewalks and prioritizing the needs within historically underserved areas. City Manager Carrillo-Trevino explained the importance of drainage, curbs, and sidewalks. The Board discussed and reviewed the summary from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Board Member Wood will attend the August 17<sup>th</sup> Planning and Zoning Commission Workshop to represent the Bridging Bastrop Board.

No formal action was taken on Item 5A.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Upon receiving a motion and a second to adjourn, the August 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m. without objection.

**APPROVED:**

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Sheila Lowe, Bridging Bastrop Board Chair

**ATTEST:**

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Victoria Psencik, Assistant City Secretary