



**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 14, 2011**

Present:

Robert Lorange, Mayor
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmembers:

Tammy Cowdery
Kevin Crites
Chuck Bradford

Guests:

Tim Ketchum
Angie Rainwater
Hunter Dailey
Marc Dailey
Troy McGaugh

City Staff:

Dessie Enns, City Secretary
Tom Townsend, Public Works Director
Cindy Bartlett, Assistant to City Secretary

Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present

With a quorum of the Council members present, the Regular meeting of the Redwater City council was called to order by Mayor Lorange at 6:00 pm on Monday, February 14, 2011, in the Council Chambers at Redwater City Hall, 120 Redwater Blvd. W, Redwater, TX. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by Chuck Bradford.

Public Comments – Open Forum

Troy McGaugh addressed the Council regarding his concerns about his neighbor's dogs. Mr. McGaugh's small dog somehow managed to get into the neighbor's fence containing the neighbor's large dogs. The large dogs attacked Mr. McGaugh's dog, resulting in several hundred dollars worth of veterinarian bills for Mr. McGaugh's small dog.

Presentations and Recognitions

Tim Ketchum of the RISD Board presented information regarding the proposed new middle school.

Reports

- (a) Mayor – Robert Lorange
- **Break in at Wastewater Plant** – suspects took two City trucks; totaled the Ranger and got the Dodge stuck in the mud at the low-water bridge. They also stole several tools and small equipment. Suspects are in custody. City will buy back the Ranger after totaled and replace the bed and repair other damages. Losses have been filed on insurance.

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- **Accident in 2008 Chevy** – January 28 City employee was driving the City's 08 Chevy truck in Texarkana on a personal errand on company time and backed into a 2010 Nissan in the Red River Credit Union parking lot. Filed claim on insurance for the individual's Nissan; City's truck's bumper was damaged but will not claim on insurance. Employee was terminated.

- (b) Mayor Pro-Tem – Leo Whelchel
 - **Update on recycling project** – Have recycled 3.5 tons since beginning in October 2010. Citizens are very appreciative of having the recycle facility and participation is always increasing.

- (c) Public Works Director – Tom Townsend:
 - TCDP Grant update: Almost finished. Received generator; tested on all lift stations.
 - Need to do dirt work on Hickory
 - Energy Efficiency Grant update: All heat/air units replaced – still need to replace lights
 - Installed recirculation line at wastewater plant
 - Major leak on Trexler at the end of January on 8" main; took 2 days and 2 nights to repair, lost approximately 900,000 gallons

- (d) City Secretary – Dessie Enns
 - **Monthly General Fund Financial Report** – Council reviewed reports included in packet
 - **Monthly Water/Sewer Financial Report** - Council reviewed reports included in packet

- (e) Water Department – Cindy Bartlett
 - **Vehicle Maintenance/Repairs** - Chipper \$1221; Chlorinator \$250
 - **Cut Off list** – 50 people on list

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Crites, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve and adopt the consent agenda as follows:

- (a) **Approval of minutes of the January 10, 2011 regular meeting**
- (b) **Approval of minutes of the Planning and Zoning Public Hearing January 10, 2011**
- (c) **Approval of minutes of the City Council Public Hearing January 10, 2011**
- (d) **Approval of accounts payable for January 1 – January 31, 2011**
- (e) **Approval of Joint Election Agreement between the City of Redwater and the Redwater Independent School District**

The motion carried.

Authorizations by Council

- (a) **Appoint Tim Ketchum to RIDC Board to fill vacancy left by Bobby Shavers**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Bradford, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to appoint Tim Ketchum to RIDC Board. The motion carried.

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(b) Reappoint RIDC members Robert Eitel, Webb Stanley, and Beverly Phares for 2 year term

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Crites, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to reappoint RIDC members Robert Eitel, Webb Stanley, and Beverly Phares for 2 year term. The motion carried.

(c) Remove Mayor and City council as signatories on Industrial Development Board checking account at BancorpSouth; with the understanding that the Council will be provided with quarterly financial statements and expense reports by the RIDC Board

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Bradford and a second by Councilmember Whelchel, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to remove Mayor and City Council as signatories on RIDC checking account. The motion carried.

(d) Order Election to be held May 14, 2011

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Crites and a second by Councilmember Whelchel, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed order Election to be held May 14, 2011. The motion carried.

Ordinances & Resolutions

(a) Approve Resolution No. R-11-05-32, Resolution Authorizing Joint Election

RESOLUTION NO. R-11-05-32: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JOINT ELECTION BETWEEN THE REDWATER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF REDWATER

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Cowdery, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve Resolution No. R-11-05-32, authorizing joint election to be held May 14, 2011. The motion carried.

Other Business

(a) Set date for Annual Spring Clean Up Day

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Bradford and a second by Councilmember Whelchel, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to set April 16, 2011 as the date for Annual Spring Clean Up. The motion carried.

Executive Session

At 7:12 pm, Council adjourned into a closed session in accordance with the Texas Government Code 551.074 to discuss pay increases for City Employees

Reconvene

At 8:05 pm, Council reconvened into open session to take action on pay increases for City Employees.

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Crites and a second by Councilmember Cowdery, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve pay increases for City Employees retroactive to January 10 as follows:

Tom Townsend (salary)	\$2000 per year (4.44%)
Dennis Conkleton (hourly)	\$0.25 per hour (2.12%)

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Mike Kirby (hourly)	\$0.22 per hour (2.00%)
Tyler Johnson (hourly)	\$0.25 per hour (2.00%)
Cindy Bartlett (hourly)	\$1.50 per hour (15.0%)
Dessie Enns (salary)	\$624 per year (2.00%)

The motion carried.

Adjourn

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Bradford and a second by Councilmember Whelchel the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn the regular session of the Redwater City Council at 8:15 pm on Monday, February 14, 2011. The motion carried.

These minutes approved on the 14 day of March, 2011.


Robert Lorange, MAYOR

ATTEST:


Dessie Enns, CITY SECRETARY