



**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
November 13, 2012**

Present:

Robert Lorange, Mayor
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmembers:

Paula Coggin
Tammy Cowdery
Kevin Crites
Chuck Bradford (arrived at 6:37pm)

Guests:

City Staff:

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

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 Tuesday, November 13, 2012, in the Council Chambers at Redwater City Hall, 120 Redwater Blvd. W, Redwater, TX. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by Kevin Crites.

Public Comments – Open Forum

None

Reports

- (a) Mayor – Robert Lorange
- **Update on Early Warning System** – all 3 poles installed; still waiting on sirens – should be here November 21.
 - **Update on RRFCU ATM**– Machine should arrive in December
 - **Resurfacing parking lot at City Park** – re-sealed and striped; striping was done for angled parking.
 - **Possible new water line maps** – Cost would be approximately \$5,000 - \$7,000. City currently does not have a set.
 - **County road repair at low-water bridge** – road will be closed until completion.
- (b) Mayor Pro-Tem – Leo Whelchel
- **Update on Recycle Program** – going about the same. Waste Management delivered a different container this time that works better than the old one. Two of Leo's cones were stolen; Tom will replace them with cones he has in stock.
- (c) Public Works Director – Tom Townsend:

Water Line Repairs

- 209 Hickory service line leaking prior to meter.
- 10333 West 7th service line leaking prior to meter.
- 125 Pine Street 2" galvanized main, corrosion.
- 302 Goodson Lane service line leaking prior to meter.
- 209 Church Street changed meter box and line leaking prior to meter.
- Methodist Church galvanized service line leaking prior to meter.

Liftstation

One of the pumps at the Red River South Liftstation stopped up. The crew pulled it and took it to Ray's electric for service. They took it apart, cleaned it out and checked the winding for damage, there was none. It was placed back in service yesterday and is working fine.

Training

- Mike attended a Wastewater Laboratory class in Texarkana in preparation for his Class C WW license exam on the 13th of December.
- Jim attended a Chlorinator Maintenance class in Linden. This will save us quite a bit throughout the year since we will not have to send our Chlorinators to Southwest Meter for repair. The charge for rebuilding them ranges from \$250.00 – \$400.00.
- Victor missed passing his exams by just a few points. He was disappointed but knows he can pass them. A lot of people do not pass these exams on the first time. He is scheduled for a retest on the 13th of December.
- Victor has been cleaning and organizing the Wastewater plant shop and grounds. It looks 100% better. If you get a chance...stop by and take a look.

Alternative Water Feed

Due to the upcoming work we have scheduled for our elevated storage on Ware Street the crew conducted a dry run in isolating the facility on 25 October. We then shut off both wells and opened the valves to let Texarkana water keep the city pressured up. Everything went as expected and no problems occurred.

During the period when our groundwater system is offline the crew will be watching for leaks and checking pressures around town. The pressure from the Texarkana line is 10-15 pounds higher than the older groundwater system lines and a few leaks may occur. If you notice any please give me a call or let Cindy know.

We are still deciding on a start date with the Contractor. Once started this work should take no longer than 10 to 15 days to complete.

- (d) City Secretary – Dessie Whelchel
 - **Monthly General Fund Financial Report** – Council reviewed reports included in packet.
 - **Monthly Water/Sewer Financial Reports** - Council reviewed reports included in packet
- (e) Water Department – Cindy Bartlett
 - **Vehicle Maintenance/Repairs** – none
 - **Monthly RVFD water usage report** –
 - **Cut Off list** – Council reviewed cut off list
 - **ACH processing** – \$ for October billing

Consent Agenda

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 and adopt the consent agenda as follows:

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- (a) **Approval of minutes of the October 9, 2012 regular meeting**
- (b) **Approval of accounts payable for October 2012**

The motion carried.

Authorizations by Council

- (a) **Approve 2012 Tax Roll**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve 2012 Tax Roll. The motion carried.

- (b) **Review and take action on agreement with Williams & Co., P.C., for purposes of performing FY 2011/2012 Audit**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Welchel and a second by Councilmember Cowdery, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve agreement with Williams & Co., P.C., for purposes of performing FY 2011/2012 Audit. The motion carried.

Ordinances and Resolutions

- (a) **Consider and Approve Ordinance No. 12-02-13, Adjusting and Amending the City's Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Budget**

ORDINANCE NO. 12-02-13: AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWATER, TEXAS; SAID ORDINANCE ADJUSTING AND AMENDING THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 BUDGET

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve Ordinance No. 12-02-13, adjusting and amending the City's Fiscal Year 2012/2013 budget. The motion carried.

Other Business

- (a) **Discuss City street repair for FY 2012/2013**

Council discussed options for widening Cottonford St. and Ware St.; and repairing Kruse Ln. If TCDDP grant is awarded, Taylor St. and Jones St. will be included.

- (b) **Set date, time & place for 2012 Holiday Party**

Party will be Friday, December 14 at 6:30 pm at Paula's house. Potluck with Tex-Mex theme; "As Seen on TV" gift exchange

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Welchel and a second by Councilmember Cowdery, the Council voted four (5) for and none (0) opposed to set the annual Holiday Party date for Friday, December 14, at 6:30 pm at Councilmember Coggin's house. The motion carried.

Future Agenda Items / Future Business

- (a) **Discuss new business to place on future agenda**

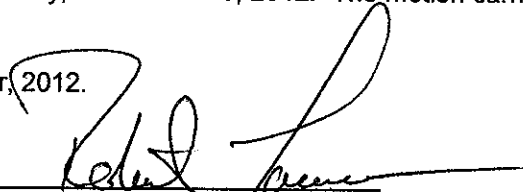
Topics discussed were:

- Demolition of house on Church St.
- Contacting owner(s) of vacant house on Red River Rd S about condition of property

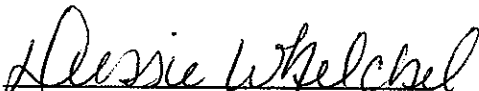
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Adjourn

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Bradford, the Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn the regular session of the Redwater City Council at 7:08 pm on Tuesday, November 13, 2012. The motion carried.

These minutes approved on the 10 day of December, 2012.


Robert Lorange, MAYOR

ATTEST:


Dessie Whelchel, CITY SECRETARY