



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

Present:

Robert Lorange, Mayor
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmembers:

Paula Coggin
Tammy Cowdery
Kevin Crites

Guests:

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 6:05 pm on Monday, November 14, 2011, 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
- **Riverbend Update** – should be added before the 28th of November.
 - **Widening Red River Rd S for turn lane** – has to be 36' long; road needs another foot being wide enough. Kenny Icenhower at TxDOT is going to try to get it done in-house.
 - **TxDOT study on Hwy 67 needed to reduce speed limit** – kids going to snow-cone stand after school have to cross Highway 67; school called and asked if we can reduce speed limit to 45 or have a crossing put in. TxDOT will have to conduct a study before reducing speed limit.
- (b) Mayor Pro-Tem – Leo Whelchel
- **Update on recycling project** – began only opening recycle bin on Saturdays and Sundays. In the process of getting a sign to put up stating the hours of operation.
- (c) Public Works Director – Tom Townsend:
- Fall clean-up was slow. Only filled one dumpster.

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- Completed generator pad at Tri-State. Still need to run electricity.
 - Had a couple of water leaks in the last month – one is on Highway 67.
 - Cindy and Tom both completed water loss audit reports; Cindy showed loss of 6.3% and Tom showed loss of 5.3%.
- (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
 - **Fall Clean Up Report** -
- (e) Water Department – Cindy Bartlett
- **Vehicle Maintenance/Repairs** – none
 - **Cut Off list** – Council reviewed cut off list
 - **ACH processing** – 130 customers; \$9,788.55 for October billing

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Whelchel, the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed to approve and adopt the consent agenda as follows:

- (a) **Approval of minutes of the October 11, 2011 regular meeting**
- (b) **Approval of accounts payable for October 2011**

The motion carried.

Authorizations by Council

- (a) **Take action on decision regarding Specific Use Permit Application concerning property located on Hickory St.; request being made to place a 35' Fifth Wheel camper trailer temporarily in a presently zoned R1 area, to remain there as primary residence until permit seekers build a house on the property**

MOTION: Permit seekers withdrew their petition. No action needed/taken.

- (b) **Review and approve 2011 Tax Roll**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Cowdery the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed to approve 2011 Tax Roll. The motion carried.

- (c) **Review and take action on contract with Williams & Co., P.C., for purposes of performing FY 2010/2011 Audit**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Whelchel the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed to approve contract with Williams & Co., P.C., for purposes of performing FY 2010/2011 Audit. The motion carried.

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Ordinances / Resolutions

- (a) **Review and take action on Resolution casting the City's two votes for election to the Board of Directors for the Bowie Central Appraisal District for the 2012-2014 term**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Coggin and a second by Councilmember Cowdery the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed to approve a Resolution casting the City's two votes for Ron Riddle to the Board of Directors for the Bowie Central Appraisal District for the 2012-2014 term. The motion carried.

- (b) **Review and take action on Ordinance No. 11-05-31, prohibiting engine braking in the City Limits of Redwater**

ORDINANCE NO. 11-05-31: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDWATER, TEXAS PROHIBITING ENGINE BRAKING AND PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT, ENACTMENT, REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, PUBLICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE, PUBLIC NOTICE AND MEETING, AND ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING CRIMINAL FINES CONSISTENT WITH PENALTIES UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Whelchel the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed to approve Ordinance No. 11-05-31. The motion carried.

Other Business

- (a) **Consider/take action on purchasing hams for city employees in lieu of Holiday Dinner**
Mayor Lorange stated hams may be purchased through the RISD Ag department. With the annual Holiday Dinner being held in Paula's home and everyone bringing food, the City will still spend less money on purchasing hams than taking everyone out to dinner.

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Cowdery the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed to approve purchasing hams for employees and council members through the RISD Ag department. The motion carried.

Future Agenda Items / Future Business

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

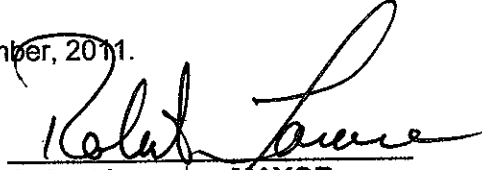
1. Mayor Lorange stated there will be a new Waste Management Contract to sign in the near future. The new contract will include the following concerning the recycling program:
 - 24 loads per year hauled at no cost
 - Rates will stay the same for the year 2012
 - Hauls in excess of 24/year will cost \$185
 - The City is allowed to charge extra to customers over the amount Waste Management charges
 - This will extend the contract 2 years – until 2016
2. Mayor Lorange is looking into revising the City's Mobile Home Ordinance.

Adjourn

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Coggin the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn the regular session of the Redwater City Council at 6:58 pm on Monday, November 14, 2011. The motion carried.

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These minutes approved on the 12 day of December, 2011.


Robert Lorange, MAYOR

ATTEST:


Dessie Enns, CITY SECRETARY