



**CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
May 20, 2013**

Present:

Robert Lorange, Mayor
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmembers:

Paula Coggin
Tammy Cowdery
Kevin Crites

Guests:

City Staff:

Dessie Whelchel, City Secretary
Cindy Bartlett, Assistant City Secretary
Tom Townsend, Public Works Director
Jim Smith
Victor Constantine
Joe Snyder
Ty Lewis

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, May 20, 2013, 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.

Presentations and Recognitions

Oath of Office was administered to re-elected Councilmembers Leo Whelchel and Paula Coggin.

Reports

- (a) Mayor Pro-Tem – Leo Whelchel
 - **Update on Recycle Program** – Recycle bin area is getting out of control. We have to call for pickup just about every week now. If it gets full before weekend is over, have to close it early; but people move the barricade and throw trash on the ground. Getting to be a major hassle.
- (b) Public Works Director – Tom Townsend:
Tom introduced his staff to the City Council, as some new employees had not met some City Council Members.

Water Line Repairs

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- 309 Oak St – water leak
- 309 Hickory St – water leak
- Brooke St – water leak

Water Taps

- New service tap on Morghan Ln
- New service tap on Red Springs Rd
- New service tap on TriState Rd
- New service tap on Trexler Rd
- New service tap for sprinkler system at football field

Water line locates

- Located water lines for contractor directional boring fiber optic lines on FM 991

Sewer line stoppages

- Church St – had to call for jet machine from New Boston.
- Pine St – dug up and replaced cleanout and 10' of service line due to tree roots blocking line.

Employee news

- Vic went to a Water Production class in Texarkana for three days and took a retest for his water certification on the 9th of May. We are still waiting for his results, but Vic feels he passed it this time.

(c) 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

(d) Water Department – Cindy Bartlett

- **Vehicle Maintenance/Repairs** – None
- **Monthly RVFD water usage report** – 20 gallons in April
- **Cut off list** – Council reviewed cut off list - \$3,605 in shut off fees.
- **ACH processing** - \$10,844.44 for April billing

Consent Agenda

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 and adopt the consent agenda as follows:

- (a) **Approval of minutes of the April 8, 2013 regular meeting**
- (b) **Approval of accounts payable for April 2013**

The motion carried.

Authorizations by Council

(a) **Elect Council Member to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore for term of one year**

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 appoint Leo Whelchel to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore for the term of one year. The motion carried.

(b) **Discuss and take action on possible refund of water service charges for customer on CR 1213**

Cindy explained that a customer had brought to her attention that he has been charged for two meters for several years, and didn't realize it until he accidentally received his neighbor's water bill in his mailbox. TML attorneys advised that statute of limitations is 4 years.

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 a refund of water service

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charges on one of the two meters the customer was charged for; to go back four years. The motion carried.

Future Agenda Items / Future Business

(a) Discuss new business to place on future agenda

- Consider moving recycle bin to corner of Red River Rd S and Church St. This would be less accessible to travelers passing through Redwater, but still available for persons wishing to recycle.
- Consider putting up a 10' chain link fence around recycle bin so there will be no access unless gates are open.
- Discuss operations for future City Clean Up Days - Tom

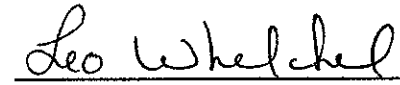
Adjourn

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 adjourn the regular session of the Redwater City Council at 6:50 pm on Monday, May 20, 2013. The motion carried.

These minutes approved on the 10 day of June, 2013.

ATTEST:


Dessie Whelchel, CITY SECRETARY


Robert Lorance, MAYOR
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro. Tem