



**CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 9, 2013**

**Present:**

Robert Lorange, Mayor  
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem

**Councilmembers:**

Paula Coggin  
Tammy Cowdery  
Kevin Crites

**Guests:**

Webb Stanley  
Scott Albert, Executive Director Riverbend WRD

**City Staff:**

Dessie Whelchel, City Secretary  
Cindy Bartlett, Assistant 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 6:02 pm on Monday, September 9, 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**

Scott Albert, Executive Director with Riverbend Water Resources District, presented Riverbend's "Proposed Way Forward".

**Reports**

- (a) Mayor – Robert Lorange
- **Began seal coating streets September 3** – sealcoated Church, Pine, Oak, Hickory, and Spencer St; completed on September 8.
  - **Update on widening streets** – still waiting on Windstream and Centerpoint to move lines before work can begin.
  - **Water maps update** - Kyron has everything from the railroad tracks north; still working on other sections.
- (b) Public Works Director – Tom Townsend:
- Guys have been mowing, installing new taps/meters, etc.
  - Jim working on a few maintenance projects
  - Fence to be installed around recycle bin on September 16

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- (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 RVD water usage report** – 430 gallons in August
  - **Cut off list** – Council reviewed cut off list
  - **ACH processing** - \$13,820.13 for August 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:

- (a) **Approval of minutes of the August 12, 2013 regular meeting**
- (b) **Approval of accounts payable for August 2013**

The motion carried.

**Authorizations by Council**

- (a) **Consider and Approve employee health insurance policy for FY 2013/2014**  
Council reviewed rate comparison spreadsheet showing policy options and costs. Insurance costs increased significantly for the upcoming fiscal year.

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Crites, the Council voted three (3) for, none (0) opposed, with Councilmember Whelchel abstaining, to approve keeping the Blue Cross Blue Shield policy currently in place, with the rate increase of 23.73%. The motion carried.

- (b) **Approve Finalized Budget for FY 2013/2014**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Whelchel, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve Finalized Budget for FY 2013/2014. The motion carried.

**Ordinances and Resolutions**

- (a) **Review and Approve Ordinance No. 13-02-15, adopting a budget and appropriating resources for Fiscal Year 2013/2014, beginning October 1, 2013, and ending September 30, 2014**

**ORDINANCE NO. 13-02-15:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDWATER, TEXAS, ADOPTING A BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING RESOURCES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2013, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Crites and a second by Councilmember Whelchel, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve Ordinance No. 13-02-15, adopting a budget and appropriating resources for FY 2013/2014. The motion carried.

Council voted on the adoption of the budget as follows:

FOR: Councilmember Crites, Councilmember Whelchel, Councilmember Coggin, &  
Councilmember Cowdery  
AGAINST: None

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PRESENT and not voting: None  
ABSENT: Councilmember Bradford

- (b) **Review and Approve Ordinance No. 13-20-25, Levying a Tax Rate for the City of Redwater for the Tax Year 2013**

**ORDINANCE NO. 13-20-25:** AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF REDWATER, TEXAS, FOR THE TAX YEAR 2013

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Crites and a second by Councilmember Whelchel, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed approve and adopt Ordinance No. 13-20-25, Levying a Tax Rate for the City of Redwater at \$0.188931 per \$100 valuation. The motion carried. Council voted on the 2013 Tax Rate as follows:

FOR: Councilmember Crites, Councilmember Whelchel, Councilmember Cowdery, & Councilmember Coggin

AGAINST: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Bradford

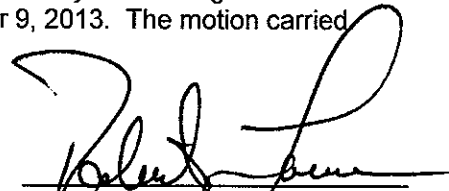
**Future Agenda Items / Future Business**

- (a) **Discuss new business to place on future agenda**  
Need a policy on sprinkler systems inside city

**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 7:30 pm on Monday, September 9, 2013. The motion carried.

These minutes approved on the 14 day of October, 2013.

  
Robert Lorange, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
Dessie Whelchel, CITY SECRETARY

