



**CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 20, 2024**

**Present:**

Clay Parker, Mayor  
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro-Tem

**Councilmembers:**

Paula Coggin  
Donovan Owens  
Ronnie Starkey  
Kelly Gerber

**Guests:**

Brian Strickland - RWRD  
Kyle Dooley - RWRD  
Richard King - RRCU  
Vickie Bryan - RRCU  
Amber Flores - RRCU

**City Staff:**

Dessie Whelchel, City Administrator / Finance Director  
Tanya Duhon, 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 Parker at 06:03 pm on Monday, May 20, 2024, in the Community Center at Redwater City Hall, 120 Redwater Blvd. W, Redwater, TX. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by Paula Coggin.

**Presentations and Recognitions**

- (a) Oath of Office to be administered to re-elected Council Members  
  
Clay Parker, Kelly Gerber, and Ronnie Starkey took the Oath of Office as administered by City Administrator / Finance Director, Dessie Whelchel, and signed their Statement of Elected Officer forms.
- (b) Brian Strickland of Riverbend Water Resources District System Improvement Program to present an update – both Kyle Dooley and Brian Strickland updated the council that another 14–18-month design period before constructing begins replacing 50-year-old infrastructure
- (c) Vickie Bryan of Red River Credit Union to discuss services and resident PSA on new ATM / ATM site – Richard King, Vickie Bryan and Amber Flores introduced themselves to the council and presented the plans for the new ATM / ATM site on Dragonstone Blvd and what services would be available to customers

**Public Comments – Open Forum**

None.

**Reports**

- (a) City Administrator / Finance Director - Dessie Whelchel

- **Monthly Financial Reports** - Council reviewed monthly financial reports included in Council Packet

**Consent Agenda**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to approve and adopt the consent agenda as follows:

- (a) **Approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 08, 2024**
- (b) **Approval of accounts payable for April 2024**

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 Owens, and a second by Councilmember Kelly, the Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to elect Leo Whelchel to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore for the term of one year. The motion carried.

- (b) **Approve calling the private road into the mobile home park owned by Sheila Skinner "Ruby Lane"**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Starkey, and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to calling the private road into the mobile home park owned by Sheila Skinner "Ruby Lane". The motion carried.

- (c) **Consider and take action on customer at 410 Cotton Ford Rd, Maud, TX 75567, with an unauthorized water connection**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Starkey, and a second by Councilmember Owens, the Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to allowing the customer at 410 Cotton Ford Rd, Maud, TX 75567, with an unauthorized water connection 6 weeks to be in compliance with city ordinance. The motion carried.

**Executive Session**

**Council adjourned into closed session at 06:41 pm in accordance with the Texas Government Code 551.074: Personnel Matters; Discussion regarding dismissal of City Secretary due to lack of confidence**

**Reconvene**

**Council reconvened into open session at 07:00 pm**

Tabled the item

**Other Business**

- (a) **Set date, time, and place for annual Christmas Party**  
December 07, 2024, at 06:00pm at Silver Star Smokehouse

**Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Owens, the Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn the regular meeting of the Redwater City Council at 07:05 pm on Monday, May 20, 2024. The motion carried.

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These minutes approved on the 18th day of June 2024.

Leo Welchel

~~Clay Parker, MAYOR~~

ATTEST:

Tanya Duhon

Tanya Duhon, CITY SECRETARY