

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The City Council City of Richwood

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of City of Richwood was held Monday, April 11, 2016, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Richwood City Hall, 1800 N. Brazosport Blvd. Richwood, Texas.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mark Guthrie, Mayor and presiding officer.

II. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Glenn Patton, City Manager

III. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance were recited by those in attendance.

IV. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Roll call showed the following members present:

Mark Guthrie, Mayor and presiding officer
Paul Raymond, Council, Position #1 (arrived 6:06 p.m.)
Jarrod Beaty, Council, Position #3 and Mayor Pro Tem
Sarah Harris, Council, Position #4
Chris Hardison, Council, Position #5

Absent:

Melissa Blanks, Council, Position #2

A quorum was declared. Others present included Glenn Patton, City Manager, Karen Schrom, City Secretary, Bryan Corb, Police Chief, Clif Custer, Public Works Director, Kenny Williams, Director of Inspections and Permitting, Lauren LaCount, James Perry, and Shawn Morlan.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. LaCount explained that she had spoken with Chief Corb in regards to the restriction on carrying of firearms while in a city vehicle or on city property. She feels more comfortable with the restriction as she now understands it.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Councilman Beaty, seconded by Councilman Harris, with all members present voting aye, the items on the Consent Agenda were approved as presented.

A. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

B. Payment of bills

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

DA. Personnel Policy Revision - Firearms Proposal

Questions raised by Council included how this policy will affect those with Open Carry Permits, the City's liability, parameters, how this affects volunteers. Our City attorney issued a statement that a volunteer is an agent of the City if conducting business on behalf of the City. Councilman Raymond said he'd like to hold an additional committee meeting with departments.

On motion by Councilman Hardison, seconded by Councilman Beaty, with all members present voting aye, this item was tabled pending further review.

B. Public Hearing - annexation of property located at 4907 Brazosport Blvd.

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:26 p.m.

With no one present to discuss the matter, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:27 p.m.

C. Public Hearing - Violation of Ordinance No. 4-196 by Mark Orren - 1250 Brazosport Blvd., #31

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:27 p.m.

With no one present to discuss the matter, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:28 p.m.

D. Action on the findings in regard to property at 1250 Brazosport Blvd, #31

On motion by Councilman Beaty, seconded by Councilman Raymond, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to condemn the property at 1250 Brazosport Blvd. #31 and take the actions necessary to remove the danger.

E. Executive session pursuant to Section 551.072, Texas Government Code, Deliberation Regarding Real Property to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property

1. Proposed purchase of land in Glenwood Bayou S/D for drainage

Council entered into executive session at 6:31 p.m.

Council exited executive session at 6:55 p.m.

F. Action as a result of executive session

On motion by Councilman Beaty, seconded by Councilman Harris, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to pursue the purchase of the land in Glenwood Bayou.

G. Executive session pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code, Personnel Matters to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, and duties of a public officer or employee in particular succession plans

1. City Manager

2. City Secretary/Financial Director

Council entered into executive session at 6:57 p.m.

Council exited executive session at 7:25 p.m.

H. Action as a result of executive session

No action was taken.

VIII. **REPORTS**

Reports that require no action.

A. Finance Reports

The par for the period ending March 31, 2016 is 50%. Administration and Streets and Drainage are currently over by a large margin. Administration is over

because the City reimbursed 210 Developers for the lift station at the Apartments per our 380 Agreement. Road repairs were coded to Streets and should have been coded to Transportation.

IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Patton reported that Kroger's will host their grand opening at 9 am on April 13th. He also reported that Ms. Schrom has announced her retirement plans as of April 1, 2017.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were none.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS & REPORTS

There were none.

XIII. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Guthrie had no report.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL ON MAY 16, 2017.

Mark Guthrie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary

