

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The City Council City of Richwood

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of City of Richwood was held Monday, January 12, 2015, 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 Clint Kocurek, 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 was recited by those in attendance.

IV. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Roll call showed the following members present:

Clint Kocurek, Mayor and presiding officer
Paul Raymond, Council, Position #1 and Mayor Pro Tem
John Pitts, Council, Position #2
Jarrod Beaty, Council, Position #3
Sarah Harris, Council, Position #4
Chris Hardison, Council, Position #5

A quorum was declared. Others present included Glenn Patton, City Manager, Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary, Kenny Williams, Public Works Director, Bryan Corb, Police Chief, Jennifer Beaty, Suzanne and Emerson Kocurek, Katherine Venegas, Lauren LaCount, James Perry, Gilbert Reyes, Clifford Dancer and Jack Daniel.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Councilman Beaty, seconded by Councilman Pitts, 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

VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Order May 9, 2015 Election

On motion by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Beaty, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to order the May 9, 2015 Election.

On the ballot this year is Mayor, Council, Position #2 and Council, Position #3 and the purpose of reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

B. Public Hearing - Request for a RV park at 1910 Brazosport Blvd.

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:03 p.m.

Lauren LaCount stated she had visited with Mr. Patton and several others in the community. She feels if the RV park is approved, it should have a green space of trees to separate it from the residential property. When she lived in Livingston, the RV parks stayed busy during the construction of the pipeline in the area but once that ended, the parks were emptied. Also, most of the people living there will be spending their money outside of Richwood. She is concerned that the property may not be maintained once the construction in the area is completed.

Gilbert Reyes, 132 Walnut, is new to the area and moved here based on the recommendation of his daughter. He moved here because it was quiet. He stated he is completely against the idea of the RV park and will move out if it is approved.

Clifford Dancer stated he has lived here for 15 years and lives across the street from Mr. Reyes. He does not feel this is the right location. He asked if the property has been sold. It has not. The potential buyer wants to know in advance if this is possible.

Mayor Kocurek and Mr. Patton agreed. Mr. Patton stated the gentleman is also looking at another property in town. They both feel it is better served as commercial property.

With no further comments, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:17 p.m.

C. Request for a RV Park at 1910 Brazosport Blvd.

On motion by Councilman Raymond, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to deny the request for the RV Park at 1910 Brazosport Blvd.

VII. REPORTS

A. Finance Reports

Par for the period ending December 31, 2015 is 75% remaining.

VIII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Patton reported that there is still interest in the 928 acres and hopefully interest will improve once the weather clears.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Pitts asked about the County bus service and Mr. Patton will get a cost to join.

Retail Coach
Department head reports
Committee member report

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were none.

XI. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS & REPORTS

There were none.

XII. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kocurek reported BCCA will be held January 21 in Danbury. He reminded everyone that the Open House will be January 29th from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. The Police Department is taking applications for the Citizen's Police Academy.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 9, 2015.

Clint Kocurek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary