

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The City Council City of Richwood

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of City of Richwood was held Monday, August 25, 2014, 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
Jarrod Beaty, Council, Position #3
Sarah Harris, Council, Position #4
Chris Hardison, Council, Position #5

Absent:

John Pitts, Council, Position #6

A quorum was declared. Others present included Glenn Patton, City Manager, Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary, Brad Caudle, Police Chief, Kenny Williams, Public Works Director, Jason Cordoba, City Attorney, John Harris, Pam Williams, Lisa Spaulding, Tim Seidler, Philip Warren, Les Hendershot, Stephen Bailey, Darrell Buchanan, Rene Damian, Kevin Nut, Jessica and Mike Bailey, David Crawford, Molly Caudle.

V. ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Les Hendershot lives at 105 Bailey's Court and he expressed concern about the new apartment complex.

Chief Caudle gave an update on the jail. He and Officer Nutt have worked on the jail to make it safer when it's used 24 hours a day. Fire alarms have come in with a sensor and strobe lights so they can be seen through the monitor. They are working with Verizon to get it hooked up at the Lake Jackson Police Department so that it can be streamed through the lap tops.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Beaty, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve the items on the consent agenda as posted.

- A. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
- B. Payment of bills

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- A. Public Hearing - Proposed Tax Rate

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:07 p.m.

With no one present who wished to speak on the proposed tax rate, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:08 p.m.

- B. Ordinance No. 393 - Call for public hearing on proposed annexation of 928.34 acre tract in the JE, Groce 5 League Grant, Abstract 66, Brazoria County

On motion by Councilman Raymond, seconded by Councilman Hardison, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to adopt Ordinance No. 393, calling for a public hearing on the proposed annexation of 928.34 acre tract in the JE Groce 5 League Grant, Abstract 66, Brazoria County.

- C. Adoption of Service Plan for the proposed annexation of 928.34 acre tract

On motion by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Hardison, with all members present voting aye, the Service Plan for the proposed annexation of 928.34 acre tract was adopted as presented.

- D. Replat of Lot 11, Richwood Subdivision - Tim Seidler

On motion by Councilman Hardison, seconded by Councilman Beaty, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve the re-plat of Lot 11, Richwood Subdivision as presented. This separates the house from the rest of the lot.

E. Variance Request - 33219 Blue Marlin Dr. - request for variance from 100' front building line

Rene Damian, surveyor, and Carrell Buchanan, builder, with both present to answer any questions Council might have. Mr. Damian explained that a 4.5 foot corner of the front porch encroaches on the 100' building line. The property front is curved. The encroachment was discovered when the property was surveyed for banking purposes.

Mayor Kocurek stated the City has had similar requests before and this issue usually occurs on the cul-de-sac lots.

On motion by Councilman Raymond, seconded by Councilman Harris, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve the Variance Request for 33219 Blue Marlin Drive as presented.

F. Richwood Landing Apartments - community signage approval and terms of sign placement agreement

Pam Williams, representing the firm that owns the Richwood Landing Apartment, appeared before Council. They are replacing the current sign on Creekwood Drive and have gotten permission for the sign. However, it is located within the City's right-of-way. They would like to get a long term use agreement to use the median since they are making a huge investment in the sign.

On motion by Councilman Hardison, seconded by Councilman Beaty, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to table this item until the City Attorney drafted an agreement.

G. FY 15 Crime Control and Prevention District Budget Proposal

On motion by Councilman Beaty, seconded by Councilman Raymond, with all members present voting aye, the FY 15 Crime Control and Prevention District Budget Proposal was approved as presented.

H. FY 14 Budget Amendment #2

The budget amendment increases costs in Administration and Parks by \$38,000.

These increases are due to insurance costs for the new City Hall building, the addition of Boardbook, and the park activities. Revenues are increased by \$38,000 to offset the increased expenditures and are a result of revenues already received.

I. Approve items pulled from Consent Agenda

There were none.

J. Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551.0745, Personnel Matters to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

1. Police Chief

Council entered executive session at 6:39 p.m.

Council exited executive session at 12:00 midnight.

K. Action as a result of Executive Session

No action was taken as a result of executive session.

L. Chapter 380 Agreement - 210 Development LLC

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

VIII. REPORTS

There were none.

IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

There was no report

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Agreement on Richwood Landing Sign

On September 2nd, an executive session – Personnel (Police Chief) and the Chapter 380 Agreement with 210 Development LLC

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were none.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS & REPORTS

There were none.

XIII. MAYOR'S REPORT

There were none.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 a.m.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2014.

Clint Kocurek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen B. Schrom