

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 11, 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
John Pitts, Council, Position #2
Sarah Harris, Council, Position #4
Chris Hardison, Council, Position #5

Absent:

Jarrold Beaty, Council, Position #3

A quorum was declared. Others present included Glenn Patton, City Manager, Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary, and Brad Caudle, Police Chief.

V. ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

There was no one who wished to address Council on matters not on the agenda.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Raymond, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

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

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- A. Take a record vote to propose a tax rate of \$0.735680/\$100, a 5.83% tax increase - above the effective tax rate, and schedule two public hearings for public discussion on the proposed tax rate.

The record vote to propose a tax rate of \$0.735680/\$100 is as follows:

Paul Raymond	Aye
John Pitts	Aye
Jarrold Beaty	Absent
Sarah Harris	Aye
Chris Hardison	Aye

On motion by Councilman Pitts, seconded by Councilman Harris, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to propose the tax rate and set the public hearings on August 25th and September 8th, both at 6:00 p.m.

- B. Road and Bridge Interlocal Agreement Fiscal Year 2015
Annual interlocal agreement covering the construction, improvement, maintenance or repair on streets and alleys in Richwood

On motion by Councilman Pitts, seconded by Councilman Hardison, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve the Road and Bridge Interlocal Agreement for Fiscal Year 2015 as presented.

- C. Ordinance No. 390A - requiring inspections on all residential rental units, including single family

On motion by Councilman Pitts, seconded by Councilman Harris, with all members present voting aye, Ordinance No. 390A, requiring inspections on all residential rental units, including single family, as presented.

D. Ordinance No. 392, regulating donation drop boxes
Requiring permits, setting parameters for the construction, placement and
maintenance of the boxes and setting a penalty for violations.

On motion by Councilman Pitts, seconded by Councilman Hardison, with all members present voting aye, Ordinance No. 392, regulating donation drop boxes, was approved as presented.

E. Revisions to the City's personnel policy

The changes are to clarify how the Personnel Policy may be amended and to clarify the non-disciplinary grievance procedures.

On motion by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Hardison, with all members present voting aye, the Personnel Policy was revised as presented.

F. Approve items pulled from Consent Agenda

There were none.

VIII. **REPORTS**

Reports that require no action.

A. Financial Reports

Par for the period ending July 31, 2014 is 16% remaining. City Maintenance, Fire Department and Parks and Recreation are currently over. A budget amendment is currently being worked on to address some of these issues. Revenues are exceeding expenditures.

IX. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Patton reported that he and Mr. Cordoba met with the 210 Developers who are interested in building apartments in North Brazos Crossing. We presented our counter to their initial proposal. They responded by sending copies of Chapter 380 Agreements they've received from other cities. In New Braunfels they were adding mainly commercial property and San Antonio went through a housing development program. Of the local cities, only West Columbia offers tax abatement programs on apartments. They did not counter and have said that without abatements, the project will not happen. Ours is still the best property and the best offer they've received.

Talks continue with Gerald Teel who is still interested in developing a project here in Richwood.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Day in the Park will be Saturday, August 16th from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS & REPORTS

There were none.

XIII. MAYOR'S REPORT

BCCA will be hosted by the City of Angleton and the topic is Economic Development.

Keep Richwood Beautiful's meeting is this Thursday.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL ON AUGUST 25, 2014.

Clint Kocurek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary