

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees City of Richwood

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of City of Richwood was held Monday, June 9, 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 were 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
John Pitts, Council, Position #2 and Mayor Pro Tem
Jarrod Beaty, Council, Position #3
Chris Hardison, Council, Position #5

Absent:

Sarah Harris, Council, Position #4

A quorum was declared. Others present included Glenn Patton, City Manager, Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary, Brad Caudle, Police Chief, Cody Dingee and Family, Holletta Eudy and Kellie Marriott with the Facts.

V. ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

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

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Councilman Beaty, seconded by Councilman Pitts, 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. Animal and Fowl Permit Application - J. Cody Dingee, 106 Cottonwood

Cody Dingee and his family were present to answer any questions on the Animal and Fowl Permit Application. The animals are part of the Junior FFA and FFA projects by Reese and Fisher Dingee. The City sent out the required notices and received all the cards back. There was no negative feedback.

On motion by Councilman Beaty, seconded by Councilman Hardison, with all members present voting aye, the Animal and Fowl Permit Application was approved as presented.

- B. Oyster Creek Drive Speed Limit Survey and recommendations

The results of the Oyster Creek Speed Limit Survey is as follows:

The digital speed sign was placed on Oyster Creek Dr facing both east and west in order to collect needed data to establish speeds around this location.

Digital Speed data Results

From the dates of **04/10/2014 through 04/16/2014** the sign was placed in the 500 block of Oyster Creek Dr facing east bound capturing west bound traffic.

The results are as follows;

There were **634** vehicles logged
Posted speed limit: **30 MPH**
Average Speed: **20.82334385**

Highest speed: **43 MPH**

Number above speed limit: 15 (14 at 31MPH to 35 MPH / 1 at 41 MPH to 45 MPH)

From the dates of **04/21/2014 through 04/28/2014** the sign was placed in the curve near Bobby Ford Park facing west bound capturing east bound traffic.

The results are as follows;

There were **777** vehicles logged

Posted speed limit: **30 MPH**

Average speed: **19.47876448 MPH**

Highest speed; **37 MPH**

Number above speed limit: 14 (13 at 31 MPH to 35 MPH / 1 at 36 MPH to 40 MPH)

Chief Caudle recommends that the speed limit on Oyster Creek Drive from Moore St. to Blue Jay be lowered to 20 mph. Councilman Hardison asked if this would affect Oyster Creek Court.

On motion by Councilman Pitts, seconded by Councilman Beaty, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to direct staff to draft an ordinance lowering the speed limit on Oyster Creek Drive from Moore Street to Blue Jay and encompassing Oyster Creek Park.

C. Appointment to the Crime Control and Prevention District - Scott Litton and David Acord 1

The City received two applications, one from Scott Litton and one from David Acord. It was noted that Mr. Litton did not fill out the second page of the application.

On motion by Councilman Raymond, seconded by Councilman Pitts to accept Mr. Acord to the committee and ask Mr. Litton to resubmit a completed application.

D. Five Year Plan - Police Department

Chief Caudle presented the Police Department's Five Year Plan.

In their Five Year Plan, they would like to see the following:

Addition of a Patrol Officer

A day time receptionist/dispatcher
K-9 unit partially funded through the City budget
Increase the Chief's vehicle allowance
Vehicle replacement back in the City Budget
Sally Port

Their Ten Year Plan includes:

5 Dispatchers
Self Sufficient RMS and CAD
Motorcycle Officer
Investigator Position

In further discussion, Chief Caudle explained they still rely on Oyster Creek for jail services but are looking at a visual feed to get the 24 hour monitoring required for inmates, including having a video feed on the laptop. They are also looking to add a smoke detecting system that would alert Lake Jackson if there is a fire.

Councilman Raymond then challenged each Department Head to prioritize and justify their lists. Councilman Hardison agrees.

E. Ordinance Adopting the 2009 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code and requiring the registration and inspection of multi-family dwelling complexes

This item was placed on the agenda for discussion only. The proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the city attorney and is very similar to the one adopted by the City of Clute. Mr. Patton stated that we had some apartments that are over 30 years old and the residents aren't getting a lot of response from their management. We will charge \$2.50 per apartment per month. Code Enforcement has been moved to the top of our agenda due to the concerns and comments from resident.

Councilman Beaty commented that the City would have very little access and authority without this ordinance.

F. Approve items pulled from Consent Agenda

There were none.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Financial Reports

Par for the period ending May 31, 2014 Is 33%. Revenues are exceeding expenditures.

IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

It is beginning to look like there may be a chance to do something with the property across the highway. Mr. Patton has met with a developer recently that is in talks with Mr. Madeley about purchasing it.

He also talked with a developer this afternoon who wishes to build an apartment complex.

Mr. Patton issued an invitation to the Council to take some time to ride with the Police or Public Works.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Fire Department's Five Year Plan
Budget/Goal Setting workshop
CCPD application

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Movie in the Park is Friday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m.
Keep Richwood Beautiful is looking for an Executive Director

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS & REPORTS

Councilman Beaty stated that he was excited about what was going on in Richwood. He strongly recommended that the newest council members take advantage of the New Elected Officials Conference put on by TML. He also recommended they be a part of their community, volunteer and build a good relationship with the employees.

Councilman Hardison asked about the email from Mr. Robbins. Mr. Patton explained he had bought a new motor home and couldn't get past the tree overhanging the road. The Public Works Employees did a fantastic job of taking care of the situation immediately. He also told Council that they've been able to fix manholes, clear debris, grass and trees at the intersection of Cypress and Cypress Court. They have accomplished a lot since they do not have to read meters.

The bridge at the end of Cardinal Drive is 90% completed. There are issues that have slowed down development in Oyster Bend Subdivision.

XIII. MAYOR'S REPORT

West Columbia is hosting BCCA.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL ON JUNE 23, 2014

Clint Kocurek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary