

AGENDA
RICHWOOD CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting, Thursday, August 9, 2012
Richwood City Hall
215 Halbert
Richwood, TX 77531
7:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Clint Kocurek, Mayor and presiding officer.

A. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was given by Councilman Bryant.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

C. Texas Pledge of Allegiance

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II. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Roll call showed the following members present:

Clint Kocurek, Mayor and presiding officer
Roy Welch, Council, Position #1
John Pitts, Council, Position #2 and Mayor Pro Tem
Lee Bryant, Council, Position #3
Morgan Laird, Council, Position #4
Donna Lacy, Council, Position #5

A quorum was declared. Others present included Glenn Patton, City Administrator, Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary and Bryce Lacy.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

On motion by Councilman Pitts, seconded by Councilman Welch, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve the minutes of July 12 and July 26, 2012 as presented.

IV. ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

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

V. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Executive Session pursuant to Subchapter D of the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for discussion with attorney regarding legal interpretation of contract with City Administrator

Council entered executive session at 8:23 p.m.

Council exited executive session at 8:51 p.m.

- B. Ordinance No. 378, establishing a monthly transportation fee

Mayor Kocurek asked Council if they had any concerns about the transportation fee. He wanted to make sure that folks realized this was a fee, not a tax, and that the money could only be spent on streets, drainage and sidewalks.

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Laird, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve Ordinance No. 378, establishing a monthly transportation fee.

- C. Ordinance No. 376, Adoption of FY 2013 Budget

Mr. Patton explained that the tax roll came in higher than anticipated and it has been put back into building and grounds to provide extra money for the new city hall. \$500 was put back into Administration and \$500 added back into the Police Department. This budget also calls for a 2% increase in pay for Public Works. This is necessary because their pay scale is so low.

On motion by Councilman Welch, seconded by Councilman Lacy, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve Ordinance No. 376, adoption of the FY 2013 Budget as presented.

- D. Ordinance No. 377, Adoption of FY 2013 Tax Rate

The proposed tax rate is \$0.73568 which is \$0.402 higher than last year. The increase is in the I&S portion of tax rate and is due to the \$1,150,000 Certificates of Obligation issued for the new City Hall building. The maintenance and operation rate is set at the effective rate.

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Welch, with all members present voting aye, Ordinance No. 377, adopting the FY 2013 Tax Rate, was approved as presented.

- E. Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074, Government Code, Personnel Matters to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer; or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee
City Administrator evaluation

Council entered the executive session at 7:15 p.m.

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Council exited the executive session at 8:22 p.m.

F. Reappointment of Ellis Feiner as Director for Brazosport Water Authority

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to reappoint Ellis Feiner as the City of Richwood's Director for Brazosport Water Authority.

G. Change meeting date for September through December

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to temporarily move the Council meeting dates to the 3rd Thursdays for the months of September, October, November and December.

H. Payment of bills

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Welch, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to pay the bills as presented.

I. Financial Report

Par for the period ending July 31, 2012 is 16% remaining.

VI. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Patton stated that the auditors were here for 1 day instead of their usual 3 for the interim audit.

VII. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Department Head report - Police

VIII. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports

IX. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Kocurek stated Council needed to set a date for the groundbreaking ceremony at the new city hall building. It will be held Monday, August 13th at 5:15 p.m.

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2012.

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Clint Kocurek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary