

MINUTES
RICHWOOD CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting, Wednesday, April 17, 2013
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 Glenn Patton, City Administrator.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

C. Texas Pledge of Allegiance

The Texas Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

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
Jarrod Beaty, 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, Brad Caudle, Police Chief, Danny Wiggs, Fire Chief, Jason Cordoba, City Attorney, Holly Eudy and Andy Packard, The Facts.

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 March 11, 2013 as presented.

IV. ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

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

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V. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

A. Accept Charles Pettey resignation from Position #3

On motion by Councilman Welch, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to accept Mr. Pettey's resignation from Council.

B. Appoint Jarrod Beauty to Position #3

On motion by Councilman Laird, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to appoint Jarrod Beauty to Council, Position #3. Councilman Beauty then took his seat.

C. Ordinance No. 381 - Authorize necessary funding for renovations

On motion by Councilman Pitts seconded by Councilman Welch, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve Ordinance No. 381, authorize additional funding for renovations.

D. Close Halbert on May 11 for Richwood Volunteer Fire Department Open House

On motion by Councilman Welch, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to authorize the closing of Halbert on May 11th to land a medical helicopter for the Richwood Volunteer Fire Department Open House.

E. Report from Finance Director - Municipal Court

Ms. Schrom reported on the revenues and expenditures in the Municipal Court. She showed Council graphs showing that the revenues have dropped and showed a graph reflecting the correlation in the ticket numbers and court monies. She also explained that the Court expenses increased in 2010 due to reporting the court administrator and court clerk in the court rather than in the police department.

F. Executive Session, pursuant to Section 551.071, Government Code, Consultation with Attorney to seek advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter.

Zoning

Council entered executive session at 7:09 p.m.

Council exited executive session at 7:54 p.m.

G. Action as a result of executive session

No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

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- H. 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
Police Chief

Council entered executive session at 7:55 p.m.

Council exited executive session at 9:11 p.m.

- I. Action as a result of executive session

No action was taken as a result of executive session.

- J. Authorize City Manager to seek proposals to repair and blacktop road at Oakwood Shores

On motion by Councilman Welch, seconded by Councilman Beaty, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to authorize the City Administrator to seek proposals to repair and blacktop 1,420 feet of Oakwoods Drive.

- K. Payment of bills

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

- L. Financial Report

Par for the period ending March 31, 2013. All departments were within par.

VI. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Patton reported that the exterior of the new city hall is being worked on and the windows should be arriving and installed soon. The comes the sheetrocking and insulation. He is hoping that we can be moved in by late June or early July.

He also told Council that road work continues at Oakwood Shores and he has been in talks with Clute about the ambulance contract. He is confident we can keep the increase to \$5,000.

The apartment complex has received the blessing of the Corp of Engineers. In the 20 acre site, they only found 1,000 square feet of wetlands. They can now move on with the project but we are still 12 to 14 months from construction. The RV park is back on the table as they have acquired additional property and want to expand.

Audubonwoods III is ahead of schedule and weather permitting, we should start seeing home construction by mid summer.

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VII. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

City Secretary/Finance Director evaluation
Open meetings work session
Report from the Fire Chief

VIII. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were none

IX. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Kocurek reported that we have received quite a few building permits for Oakwood Shores and Peltier Builders is in talks about 17 folks. With this and Audubonwoods III, we are seeing an increase in development in Richwood. Work is progressing on next year's budgets.

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL ON MAY 13, 2013.

Clint Kocurek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary