Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting – Tuesday, January 11, 2011 Ransom Canyon City Hall, 24 Lee Kitchens Drive

Due to a posting error, the 72 hour notice of the date of the meeting was not met and therefore the City Council met for discussion but did not take action on any items listed on the agenda.

# 1. Call to Order/Silent Meditation

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Robert Englund. Council members present were Jack Randorff, Billy Williams, Jana Trew, and Donna Clarke. Mayor Pro-Tem John Schmersey was out of town. A moment of silent meditation followed.

### 2. Minutes of Meeting

The Council did not have any comments or discussion concerning the Minutes of the Regular December 14, 2010.

### 3. The Financials

The Council did not have any comments or discussion concerning the financial reports and the December claims and demands.

#### 4. <u>Building Permit Fees – proposed changes</u>

The Council discussed various options for building permit fees. Murvat will provide proposed changes for Council approval at next month's meeting.

### 5. <u>Memorandum of Understanding for Code of Ordinances</u> The Council discussed the proposed MOU for the Code of Ordinances. The items in the MOU will be merged into the new code book to be presented at next month's meeting.

#### 6. Building Review Committee Report

The BRC has not had any plans to consider since the previous City Council meeting.

## 7. <u>Department Reports</u>

- Administration: Murvat reported the following:
  - The Mayor has requested to move the March City Council meeting from Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> to Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup>. If no one objects, that meeting will be moved.
  - Murvat alerted everyone of the \$150,000 deposit into one of the bank accounts. That money is part of the settlement offer from the Hugo Reed & West Texas Paving lawsuit.
  - New windows have been installed at City Hall. These windows are made possible by a grant from the State Energy Conservation Office.
  - Murvat wants to thank the Council for their cooperation in attending 20 meeting in 2010. Your time and talents are greatly appreciated.

## **Court Report**: Gary Bellair reported the following:

- There was no court activity in December.
- Mary is looking into a court software program.

**Operations:** see written report.

Police: Wayne reported the following:

- He is working on one identification theft case.
- A parcel theft has been reported. FedEx dropped off a package to a resident but that resident did not receive the package.
- The census numbers are expected to be released the second week of February.

Fire: Rand McPherson was not in attendance.

**Library:** Kim reported the following:

- Total collected from the Christmas card fundraiser was \$4,040 with 120 people participating in the fundraiser. The Library Board will be meeting soon to discuss how to spend that money. Some ideas include a new front glass door or a new sign.
- The Library Board is lacking two new board members and Kim will take names of anyone interested.
- 8. POA Report and Citizen Comment:
  - Jackie Lindsey presented the Council and several city employees with thank you letter from the POA. Jackie also reported that the POA received a matching grant from a private foundation that allowed them to plant trees around the Ranch House.
  - Walt Clark read a letter from the POA thanking the Building Review Committee for their hard work and dedication.
  - Walt Clark asked once again if the City Council would consider lowering the lake this year so that repairs can be done.
  - Dexter Duhan requested that the front road (the county road) be striped for safety reasons. His request is due to the fact that at night it is very difficult to see where the edge of the road is, where it turns, and when cars approach the opposite direction with glaring light, it is difficult to see; these things makes for a dangerous situation. The council explained that the road is not wide enough to meeting state requirements for striping.
- 9. Adjourn:

Robert Englund adjourned the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

These minutes were approved on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 2011

APPROVED:

Robert Englund, Mayor

ATTEST:

Murvat Musa, City Secretary