

Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting – July 10, 2012
Ransom Canyon City Hall, 24 Lee Kitchens Drive

1. Call to Order/Silent Meditation

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

2. Minutes of Meeting

The minutes of the Regular June 12, 2012 and Special Meeting Budget Work Session, June 21, 2012, were approved on a motion made by Billy Williams, seconded by Jana Trew; motion carried unanimously.

3. The Financials

The financial reports and the June 2012 claims and demands were approved on a motion made by Donna Clarke, seconded by John Schmersey; motion carried unanimously.

4. Ehler & Hettler Audit Engagement Letter

The motion to approved the CPA firm of Ehler & Hettler for the 2011-2012 fiscal year audit was made by Donna Clarke, seconded by Jana Trew; motion carried unanimously.

5. Lubbock Emergency Communication District Budget

No comments were made on the Lubbock Emergency Communication District 2012-2013 fiscal year budget. The Mayor however, requested a meeting with the District, the Ransom Canyon Fire Chief, and the Police Chief to discuss possible dispatch issues pertaining to the recent house fire in the city. This meeting will be arranged as soon as possible.

6. Variance request for side set back at 19 East Lakeshore Drive

A variance request from the required five feet to three and one half feet for the side set back at 19 East Lakeshore Drive was approved with a motion made by John Schmersey, seconded by Billy Williams; motion carried unanimously. Concern about accessing the home by the fire department was raised. Access is possible through the garage which will have a door at both ends.

7. Building Review Committee

The BRC has not met since the last city council meeting.

8. Department Reports

Administration: Murvat reported the following:

- ❖ She will be on vacation from July 16 – August, 2012.
- ❖ The next budget work session will be right after the regular August 14, 2012 meeting. That meeting will begin at 6:00 pm.

Court Report: Gary Bellair reported the following:

- ❖ Four citations were issued in July, two have been paid and two are outstanding.

Operations: Harold reported the following:

- ❖ The recent water system inspection conducted by TCEQ resulted in no violations.
- ❖ The new construction at 16 Arapaho was re-permitted to a new builder.

Police: Wayne Rawls reported the following:

- ❖ There was one arrest for assault which is being processed through the District Attorney's office.
- ❖ On July 3rd a house fire broke out at 4 Comanche Lane (home of Hank & Regina Jordan). Our police department received a call from the sheriff's office informing us that we have a fire in our city, wanting to know why we weren't on the scene. Our VFD was never dispatched. 911 dispatched the Buffalo VFD who responded. The fire was extinguished that night. Several hours later, it re-ignited and our fire department responded again. The fire was completely put out and the home a complete loss. One fireman was taken to the hospital with heart issues.
- ❖ Wayne wanted to recognize Robby McCarver for assisting at the fire by proving fuel for the trucks the entire night.
- ❖ Several sets of bunker gear for the firemen will need replacing.
- ❖ A fund has been established at ABC Bank for the Jordan's.

Fire: Rand McPherson was unable to attend the meeting.

Library: Kim Copeland reported the following:

- ❖ Kim is working on the final awards party for the summer reading program. It will be this Thursday night, all are invited.

9. POA Report and Citizen Comments:

- ❖ Walt Clark reported that the POA has spent the last few meetings evaluating capital needs and have decided to install a sprinkler system on the island.
- ❖ Minuard Jordan read a statement voicing his disagreement with city policy concerning the Citizen's Collection Station. He wants unlimited access to the station. His written statement is attached.

10. Adjourn

- ❖ A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. was made by Billy Williams, seconded by Jana Trew; motion carried unanimously.

These minutes were approved on the 14th day of August 2012

APPROVED:

Robert Englund, Mayor

ATTEST:

Murvat Musa, City Secretary