

Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes  
Regular Meeting – December 10, 2019  
Ransom Canyon City Hall, 24 Lee Kitchens Drive

1. Call to Order/Pledges/Prayer

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Jana Trew. Council members present were Mayor Jana Trew, Councilmen Dr. Terry Waldren, Mike Greer, and Ingram Rich. Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Underwood and Chip Armstrong were absent. The prayer was said by Ingram Rich, followed by the pledges to the United States and the State of Texas.

2. Property Owner's Association (POA) Report and Citizen Comments

Linda Williams reported that the Chapel Board is working on this year's home tour which will take place on December 12, 2019, from 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Ron McWilliams, resident of Ransom Canyon, provided a handout to each of the City Council members. Rand McPherson reported for the POA that the New Year's Eve Party will take place from 8:00 p.m. – 12:00 midnight, and the Chili Cook-off will take place on January 25, 2020. The pool construction is progressing. The food trucks will be at the Ranch House on Tuesday, December 17, 2019.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting on November 12, 2019, and the special meetings on November 11, 2019, and November 22, 2019, were approved on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.

4. Financials

The financial reports and the September 2019 and November 2019 claims and demands were approved on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Ingram Rich, motion carried unanimously.

5. 2018-2019 Audit Report

The 2018-2019 Audit Report Presentation was made by Terry & King, CPA's, PC, Auditor for the Town of Ransom Canyon.

6. Proposal for Texas Water Development Board

The City Council approved a proposal presented by Brian Stephens of Parkhill, Smith, and Cooper to apply for a \$4 million wastewater treatment plant grant/loan through the Texas Water Development Board on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.

7. Proposal for Financial Advisory Services for Texas Water Development Board  
Vince Vialle of Specialized Public Finance Inc. made a presentation to the City Council. The City Council approved Specialized Public Finance Inc. to provide financial advisory services for the Texas Water Development Board grant/loan application on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.
  8. Bond Counsel for Texas Water Development Board  
The City Council approved McCall, Parkhurst, and Horton to serve as bond counsel to provide legal services for the Texas Water Development Board grant/loan application on a motion made by Councilman Ingram Rich, seconded by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren; motion carried unanimously.
  9. Amendment to the 2018-2019 Budget for Line Item Adjustments  
The City Council approved an amendment to the 2018-2019 Budget to approve line item adjustments on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.
  10. Second Reading of Ordinance 111219 entitled "Animal Control"  
The City Council approved Ordinance 111219 to amend the code of ordinances repealing Chapter 2 "Animal Control," and adopting a new animal control ordinance providing for the regulation of animals within the city limits.
  11. Discussion of Process and Calculation of Water Losses  
The City Council postponed a discussion until the next scheduled City Council Meeting regarding the process of how the city calculates its water losses on a motion by Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.
  12. Discussion of Application for a Scenic City Certification  
Donna Clarke, City Attorney explained the process for applying for a Scenic City Certification. The City Council will consider this item as an action item at its the next meeting.
  13. Building Review Committee  
The Building Review Committee did not have a report for the month.
- A. Department Reports  
Administration: Elena Quintanilla reported the following:
- She discussed her schedule of events for the week.
  - Three City Council members attended a "Stronger Cities, Stronger Texas" lunch meeting hosted by the Texas Tech University Center for Public Service.
  - Mayor Trew and Elena met with Senator Perry regarding legislative issues, and Councilman Armstrong and Elena met with Representative Dustin Burrows.

- Elena attended an Election Law Seminar sponsored by the Secretary of State
- The financials reflect changes to risk pool as a result of two employees being added to the risk pool system.

Court Report: Gary Bellair reported the following:

- The judge is working on a judgment for a citation regarding dogs at large.
- The Judge is working on interim judgments.

Operations: Harold Needham reported the following:

- The Operations Department was busy repairing water and sewer lines.
- Lee Jones passed his D water license examination.
- Staff was busy preparing the grounds for the Christmas Home Tour.

Police: James Hill reported the following:

- Police issued one citation and two warnings.
- Officers will be assisting with traffic during Tour of Homes

Fire: Rand McPherson reported the following:

- There was one EMS call and two fire calls this month.
- Firefighters will be directing traffic for Tour of Homes.

Library: Angie Fikes reported the following:


- The Library raised \$2600 through the Christmas card fundraiser.
- The Christmas Party will take place on Saturday, December 14, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Library.

Mayor Jana Trew announced that the City Council would postpone its Executive Session until next month.

### Adjournment

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.

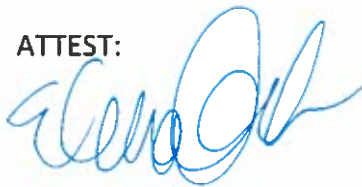
APPROVED:



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Jana Trew, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Elena Quintanilla, City Secretary