# Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting – February 11, 2020 Ransom Canyon City Hall, 24 Lee Kitchens Drive

#### Call to Order/Pledges/Prayer

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Mayor Jana Trew. Council members present were Mayor Jana Trew, Councilmen Mike Greer, Ingram Rich, and Chip Armstrong. Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Underwood and Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren were absent. The prayer was said by Councilman Ingram Rich, followed by the pledges to the United States and State of Texas.

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

Jim Evans, resident of Ransom Canyon, addressed his concerns regarding deer feeders in the Canyon and distributed an article from the Texas Parks and Wildlife: "Killing Deer with Kindness" which suggests that humans feeding the deer are doing more harm than good. Jim echoed these sentiments. Ron Cox also addressed his concerns about deer feeding.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting on January 14, 2020, were approved on a motion made by Councilman Chip Armstrong, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 4. Financials

The financial reports and the January 2020 claims and demands were approved on a motion made by Councilman Ingram Rich, seconded by Councilman Chip Armstrong; motion carried unanimously.

# 5. <u>Discussion Regarding Deer Feeders</u>

The City Council discussed the deer feeders in Ransom Canyon and decided that this discussion would continue during a future city council meeting when the entire City Council could provide feedback. In the meantime, they asked staff to review other cities' ordinances regarding deer feeders.

## BSLT Triathlon Agreement

An agreement between the Town of Ransom Canyon and BSLT Triathlon, Inc. (Event Organizer) to host a triathlon in Ransom Canyon on May 17, 2020, was postponed for the next City Council meeting due to lack of quorum. Councilman Mike Greer recused himself from the vote.

## 7. Order of Election (Orden to Elección)

The City Council approved an order of election to elect three Alderman At-Large for the Town of Ransom Canyon for two-year terms on May 2, 2020 will take place on May 17, 2020, on a motion made by Councilman Chip Armstrong, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.

#### 8. <u>Joint Election Resolution R20-021120</u>

The joint election resolution No. R20-021120 which calls an election to be held jointly with all cities/schools inside Lubbock County was approved on a motion made by Councilman Ingram Rich, seconded by Councilman Chip Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously.

# 9. Contract for Election Services with Lubbock County

The contract for election services with Lubbock County was approved on a motion made by Councilman Chip Armstrong, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich. Motion carried unanimously.

# 10. Resolution 021120-1 to Approve Election Equipment

The City Council approved Resolution 021120-1 to approve the use of Hart Intercivic Verity 2.0 Voting Equipment for the election on a motion made by Councilman Chip Armstrong, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich. Motion carried unanimously.

# 11. <u>Notice of Election (Aviso de Elección)</u>

The City Council approved the notice of election on a motion made by Councilman Ingram Rich, seconded by Councilman Chip Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously.

# 12. <u>Election Details for Approval</u>

City Council appointed and approved the following in relation to the May 2, 2020 election on a motion made by Councilman Ingram Rich, seconded by Councilman Chip Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. Dorothy Kennedy, Elections Administrator, as the Joint Elections Officer
- 2. Dorothy Kennedy, Elections Administrator, as the Joint Early Voting Clerk
- 3. Elections Office at 1308 Crickets Avenue in Lubbock, TX, as the main early voting polling place
- 4. Elections Administrator's permanent county employees shall serve as deputy early voting clerks, along with other appointments made by Elections Administrator if deemed necessary
- 5. Exhibit A, the Joint Early Voting Schedule and April 21, 2020 & April 28, 2020 as the two 12-hour days of Early Voting.
- 6. Exhibit B, Election Day Vote Centers

- 7. Election Day Vote Centers, Supervisors and Rovers (Attached List)
- 8. Johnny Franklin as the Voting Ballot Board Judge and Betty Wheeler as the Early Voting Ballot Board Alternate Judge
- 9. Early Voting Ballot Board: Chair Johnny Franklin, Alternate Judge Betty Wheeler, Beth Shapiro, Miguel Torres, Melissa Chamales, Yvonne Dorman, Vernon Kauffman, Shirley McBride, Evelyn Winn and Alternates, Lois Baird and Geneva Botkin
- 10. Signature Verification Committee due to significant number of ballots by mail: Mary Ann Bridges as Judge of the Signature Verification Committee and Charles Britton as Alternate Judge of the Signature Verification Committee

#### 11. Central Count Station Personnel:

- a. Dorothy Kennedy, Elections Administrator, as Central Count Manager
- b. Roxzine Stinson as Tabulation Supervisor
- c. Tom Grimes as the Central Count Alternate Presiding Judge

## 12. Bilingual Election Clerks

- a. Andrea Alvarado
- b. Sandy Salazar
- c. Aaron Frodsham
- d. Language USA

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

Administration: Elena Quintanilla reported the following:

- She discussed her schedule of events for the week.
  - The upcoming election for the City Council will take place on May 2, 2020, and the last day to file in this election is February 14, 2020.
  - The Annual Mayor's Hospice Beans and Combread Luncheon will take place on March 6, 2020.
  - Ransom Canyon was awarded the AJ Best of Lubbock Award for the "Best Place to Watch a Lubbock Sunset."

Court Report: Elena Quintanilla reported the following for Gary Bellair:

• There is nothing new to report on behalf of municipal court.

Operations: Harold Needham reported the following:

- The Operations Department is making progress on calculating water losses.
- Staff has repaired several sewer lines in the Canyon.
- The focus for the Operations Department in the past couple of weeks has been to clear the roads during the icy conditions.

Police: James Hill reported the following:

- Police issued zero citations and 1 warning.
- He reviewed the racial profiling report with the City Council. The City had nine citations for the year and citations were given to the following: two white females, five white males, and two Hispanics.
- The Police Department has prepared for the inclement weather and potential traffic hazards.

Fire: James Hill reported the following for Rand McPherson:

There were two EMS calls and one fire call this month.

- Three individuals will be attending the fire conference next month. Library: Angie Fikes reported the following:
  - The Library is starting to plan for the Summer Reading Program which will begin June 20, 2020.
  - The youth will be working on cards for Valentine's Day.

### **Adjournment**

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m. on a motion made by Councilman Ingram Rich, seconded by Chip Armstrong; motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED:

Jana Trew, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elena Quintanilla, City Secretary