

Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting – December 11, 2018
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, Dr. Terry Waldren, Mike Greer, Brandt Underwood, and Ingram Rich. The pledges to the United States and the State of Texas were recited, followed by a prayer by Councilman Brandt Underwood.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting on November 13, 2018 were approved with corrections to remove the title "Dr." in front of Ingram Rich's name and also to remove the word "it" on the second bullet of the police report on a motion by Councilman Brandt Underwood, seconded by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Financials

The financial reports and the November 2018 claims and demands were approved on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Brandt Underwood; motion carried unanimously.

4. 2017-2018 Audit Report

David L. Hettler PC, Auditor for the Town of Ransom Canyon, presented the 2017-2018 Audit Report.

5. First Reading to Repeal Ordinance 51 and Replace with Ordinance 121118:
New Substandard Housing Ordinance

The City Council discussed an ordinance to enact regulations with respect to substandard, unsecured or dangerous properties and how to prevent from having these structures in the Town. The first reading of the ordinance will take place at the January City Council meeting with a change of the fine from \$1000 to \$500 for individuals who ignore the ordinance.

6. Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

The City Council approved the appointment of Councilman Brandt Underwood as Mayor Pro Tem on a motion made by Councilman Ingram Rich, seconded by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren; motion carried unanimously.

7. Appointment to Fill Vacancy for Alderman of the Town of Ransom Canyon
Chip Armstrong was approved to fill a vacancy for the unexpired term of Jana Trew as an Alderperson of the Town of Ransom Canyon on a motion made by Councilman Brandt Underwood, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.

8. Building Review Committee Report
The Building Review committee met on November 26, 2018 to review plans for a boat dock at 34 S. Lakeshore Drive and a new home at 29 Parklane Drive.

A. Department Reports

Administration: Elena Quintanilla reported the following:

- ❖ She discussed her schedule of events for the week.
- ❖ She updated the City Council that there will not be any changes to the water rates for the Town of Ransom Canyon for 2018-2019.
- ❖ She provided the City Council an update regarding the tasks completed in the city's strategic plan.

Court Report: Judge Gary Bellair reported the following:

- ❖ There were two deferred judgements issued.
- ❖ Old cases that have not been addressed will be reported to Omnibase.

Operations: Cory Needham reported the following:

- ❖ Operations Department made some sewer repairs on three houses.
- ❖ The Department hired Lee Jones, and he started on the job last Monday.
- ❖ Cory provided the City Council an update regarding the rehabilitation of the east water ground storage tank which is the new capital project to be undertaken in 2018-2019.

Police: James Hill reported the following:

- ❖ Police issued zero citations and two traffic warnings.
- ❖ The Police Department will patrol for the Tour of Homes.
- ❖ The Police Department hired Michael Stripling as their new Patrol Officer, and Veronica Pickering as a new Reserve Officer. Both were installed at the City Council meeting.

Fire: Rand McPherson reported the following:

- ❖ There was one EMS call and three fire calls this month.

Library: Angie Fikes reported the following:

- ❖ The Library Annual Christmas Card drive will come to an end on Wednesday, December 12, 2018.

- ❖ The Library will host a Christmas party for the children on Saturday, December 15, 2018, from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- ❖ The Librarian is continuing to plan “Rule the World” activities which will begin in January.

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

Rand McPherson reported that the POA Events Committee is working with Christie Underwood and Monica Nowlin to plan the New Year’s Party for the residents in the Canyon.

The Mayor reminded the audience that the Tour of Homes is taking place on Thursday, December 13, 2018.

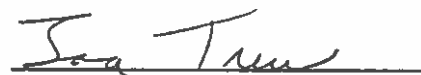
The City Council entered into executive session at 7:45 p.m., as authorized by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code in accordance with Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney, 551.072.)

The City Council returned into open Session at 8:12 p.m.

Adjournment

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m. on a motion made by Councilman Brandt Underwood, seconded by Dr. Terry Waldren; motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED:



Jana Trew, Mayor

ATTEST:



Elena Quintanilla, City Secretary