

Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting – June 11, 2013
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 Pro-Tem Donna Clarke. Mayor Robert Englund was not at the meeting. Council members present were Jana Trew, John Schmersey, Billy Williams, and Lyle Way. A moment of silent meditation followed.

2. Minutes of Meeting

The minutes of the Regular May 14, 2013 meeting and the special meeting to canvass the election, May 17, 2013, were approved on a motion made by Jana Trew, seconded by John Schmersey; motion carried unanimously.

3. The Financials

The financial reports and the May 2013 claims and demands were approved on a motion made by John Schmersey, seconded by Jana Trew; motion carried unanimously.

4. Building Review Committee

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

5. Department Reports

Administration: Murvat Musa reported the following:

- ❖ The first budget work session will be June 17, 2013 at 5 pm at city hall.
- ❖ Murvat will be attending the city managers annual conference in San Marcus from June 19-21, 2013.
- ❖ The Operations and Police departments worked through the night, over 16 hours, during the recent storm to ensure roads were passable and everyone was safe. When the power went out at the lift stations, the Operations staff hooked up the back-up generators which worked as they were supposed to. The Police and Operations staff did a great job ensuring the debris was not endangering lives by removing it as soon as possible. Several of our residents helped their neighbors by donating their time and resources. I would like to specifically recognize Allen Butler who donated many hours of his time and equipment to help out his neighbors and the city with debris removal. I am very proud of all the employees and our wonderful citizens. After evaluating our response to this disaster, I don't think there was anything that we should have done any different.

Court Report: Gary Bellair reported the following:

- ❖ There has been no new activity.

- ❖ The Omnibase system used to collect past due fines has been working very well. One fine has been collected and another is in progress.

Operations: Harold Needham reported the following:

- ❖ All the trees on the front road have been watered.
- ❖ The line to the Ransom Canyon Center is complete. We are waiting for the owner to test the Reduced Pressure Zone (RPZ) valve and correct a few Customer Service Inspection (CSI) issues.

Police: Wayne Rawls reported the following:

- ❖ Two warnings for stop sign violations were issued.
- ❖ There is one dog bite case.
- ❖ There is one felony case.
- ❖ The rear glass of a police vehicle was broken during the wind storm.
- ❖ We have a problem with residents picking up stray animals in Lubbock and bringing them into the Canyon. The Police department advises all residents not to do that. We are not equipped to handle stray dogs.

Fire: Rand McPherson reported the following:

- ❖ There were six medical calls.
- ❖ There were two fire calls; one was a state police vehicle that caught fire and caused a house fire, the other was a SPEC power pole that caught fire.
- ❖ The garage doors have been replaced.
- ❖ Engine 2 is still in the repair shop.
- ❖ The fire department assisted with the Slaton Air Show.
- ❖ On July 3rd the fire department will host the All American Cookout and on the 4th the parade will begin at 10:00 am followed by a BBQ lunch at noon.
- ❖ There is a county wide fireworks ban, nothing with a stick or fins. Buffalo and Lubbock will be allowed to have their annual fireworks display.

Library: Kim Copeland was unable to attend the meeting.

6. POA Report and Citizen Comments:

- ❖ Jackie Lindsey reported she recently filed 15 liens on properties that are overdue on their POA dues. Also, the POA is still receiving votes for the question on whether or not to give the park to the city.
- ❖ The Ranch House had some damage from the recent storm which the POA is in the process of getting inspected.

7. Adjourn

- ❖ A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. was made by Jana Trew, seconded by Billy Williams; motion carried unanimously.

These minutes were approved on the 9th day of July 2013

APPROVED:

Robert Englund, Mayor

ATTEST:

Murvat Musa, City Secretary