

Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes  
Regular Meeting – May 14, 2019  
Ransom Canyon City Hall, 24 Lee Kitchens Drive

1. Call to Order/Pledges/Prayer

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Mayor Jana Trew. Council members present were Mayor Jana Trew, Councilmen Dr. Terry Waldren, Mike Greer and Chip Armstrong. Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Underwood and Councilman Ingram Rich were absent. The pledges to the United States and the State of Texas were recited, followed by a prayer by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren.

2. Resolution R19-0514 to Canvass the Election

A motion for conclusion of the canvass of the election and to accept the resolution with the final results of the election was approved on a motion by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Chip Armstrong; motion carried unanimously with the following record vote:

Councilman Mike Greer – Yes

Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren – Yes

Councilman Chip Armstrong – Yes.

3. Oath of Offices

Newly Elected Mayor, Jana Trew, and Councilman Chip Armstrong were sworn in by Judge Gary Bellair. Mayor Jana Trew and Councilman Chip Armstrong submitted their Statement of Officer to the City Secretary/City Administrator.

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting on April 9, 2019, and special meeting on April 22, 2019, were approved with a correction to Chip Armstrong's name on the April 22, 2019 minutes, on a motion made by Councilman Chip Armstrong, seconded by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Financials

The financial reports and the April 2019 claims and demands were approved on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Chip Armstrong, motion carried unanimously.

6. Third Reading of Noise Ordinance 031219, Article 8.02

The City Council reviewed the third reading of Ordinance 031219, Article 8.02 enacting regulations with respect to noises, specifying prohibitions and remedies available to the

City to obtain compliance with those regulations. The ordinance was approved on a motion made by Councilman Chip Armstrong, seconded by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren; motion carried unanimously.

7. Contract with D&M Tank, LLC for Rehabilitation of East Ground Storage Tank

The City Council approved a contract with D&M Tank, LLC for Improvements and Rehabilitation of the East Ground Storage Tank in Ransom Canon on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Chip Armstrong; motion carried unanimously.

8. Proposed Plat of Three Lots in Block 16

The City Council approved the platting of three lots located in Block Sixteen (16) per request of Jack Chapman on a motion made by Councilman Chip Armstrong, seconded by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren; motion carried unanimously.

9. Resolution to Add A Signatory to the Bank Account

A resolution to add Chip Armstrong as a signatory to the bank account at Centennial Bank was approved on a motion by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren; seconded by Councilman Mike Greer, motion carried unanimously.

10. The Building Review Committee

The Building Review Committee met on April 22, 2019, to review plans for a new home at 28 East Lakeshore. The builder/owners are David and Cindy Riley.

A. Department Reports

**Administration:** Elena Quintanilla reported the following:

- ❖ She discussed her schedule of events for the week.
- ❖ She updated the City Council regarding the drought restrictions.
- ❖ Legislative update regarding the property tax rate.
- ❖ She mentioned that she attended municipal court training.
- ❖ There was a brief update on aerial mosquito spraying for the Region.
- ❖ She asked the City Council to consider dates for a city council orientation or they could determine if an orientation was necessary, particularly for those attending City Hall Essentials.
- ❖ The City Hall Essentials Municipal Seminar is coming up on June 6-7, 2019.
- ❖ She provided an update regarding online bill pay for utility bills.

**Court Report:** Gary Bellair reported the following:

- ❖ He updated the City Council on the current municipal court case load.

**Operations:** Harold Needham reported the following:

- ❖ The Operations Department is mowing the Canyon and spraying to prevent weeds.
- ❖ Harold provided an update on the water tower.
- ❖ The Operations Department worked on a water tap on 58 Highland.

**Police:** James Hill reported the following:

- ❖ Police issued zero citations and four warnings.
- ❖ The Chief will work to get information out to residents in a timely manner during severe weather periods.
- ❖ The movie night will take place on Saturday, July 27, 2019.

**Fire:** Rand McPherson reported the following:

- ❖ There were six EMS calls and two fire calls this month.
- ❖ The Fire Department is planning to attend a fire conference in Lubbock in April.
- ❖ The Fire Department is preparing for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Activities and supporting the fish tournament by cooking the meal for the event.
- ❖ The Fire Department will assist in stocking the lake and will split the costs with the Police Department and the Operations Department for the fishing tournament.
- ❖ The Fire Department is preparing for a visitation from the Texas Forest Service.
- ❖ The Pet Shot Clinic will take place this Saturday from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

**Library:** Angie Fikes reported the following:

- ❖ The Easter egg hunt for the youth was successful.
- ❖ The Library is preparing donations for their Summer Reading Program and getting the Library ready.
- ❖ The Library is also hosting a book donation event.

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

Rand McPherson reported for the POA and mentioned that the POA members are cleaning the old realty office, and they are repairing the back porch. Dr. Ron Cox commended our staff about informing the public about what is going on in the Canyon. He encouraged the City Council to continue to listen to the community.

**Adjournment**

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Chip Armstrong; motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED:

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Jana Trew, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Elena Quintanilla", written over a horizontal line.

Elena Quintanilla, City Secretary