

Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting – October 15, 2019
Ransom Canyon City Hall, 24 Lee Kitchens Drive

1. Call to Order/Pledges/Prayer
The special meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Jana Trew. Council members present were Mayor Jana Trew, Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Underwood, Councilmen Dr. Terry Waldren, Mike Greer, Ingram Rich, and Chip Armstrong. The pledges to the United States and the State of Texas were recited, followed by a prayer by Councilman Ingram Rich.

2. Property Owner's Association (POA) Report and Citizen Comments
Rand McPherson mentioned that the POA Board met to approve plans for repairs to the swimming pool. Plans are currently delayed for the little house at the front hill. E&J Smokehouse is at the Ranch House with their food truck today. 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. The Culbertson's, Kellers, Smiths, and Victoria Sutton will participate in the tour this year.

3. Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the special meeting on September 17, 2019 were approved on a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Underwood, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.

4. Financials
The financial reports and the September 2019 claims and demands were approved on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Underwood, motion carried unanimously.

5. Texas Municipal League (TML) Intergovernmental Risk Pool
The City Council approved the TML Intergovernmental Risk Pool Worker's Compensation, Property, and Liability Insurance for the Town of Ransom Canyon on a motion made by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Councilman Ingram Rich; motion carried unanimously.

6. Variance Request for a Hobby Shop
The City Council denied a variance request for a hobby shop located at 55 Parklane on a motion made by Councilman Ingram Rich, seconded by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren; motion carried with a 3 to 1 vote, with Chip Armstrong voting in favor of the variance. Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Underwood recused himself from the vote.

7. The Building Review Committee

The Building Review Committee met on a September 30, 2019 to discuss a garage addition at 14 Mescalero Drive, and variance for a hobby shop at 55 Parklane. They also discussed the legislative changes regarding building permits.

A. Department Reports

Administration: Elena Quintanilla reported the following:

- She discussed her schedule of events for the week.
- Texas Municipal League Quarterly Meeting took place on September 19, 2019.
- The Annual Texas Municipal League Conference Training for Elected Officials and staff took place October 8-11, 2019.
- The Aerial Mosquito Spraying for the City took place on October 14, 2019.

Court Report: Gary Bellair reported the following:

- There are no changes to pending citations, and two citations were issued for failure to stop at stop signs.

Operations: Harold Needham reported the following:

- The staff has been focused on mowing and weed prevention.
- Operations sprayed for mosquitos two times in the past couple of weeks.
- Harold and Elena have been working with the city engineers and the City of Lubbock to prepare for their loan/grant preparation with the Texas Water Development Board.

Police: James Hill reported the following:

- Police issued two citations and eight warnings.
- The back to school traffic has not presented any problems for the police.

Fire: Rand McPherson reported the following:

- There were nine EMS calls and one fire call this month.

Library: Angie Fikes reported the following:

- The Library did not host a Back to School Bash because the teens cancelled the event.
- The youth of the library were planning on carving pumpkins for the Annual Pumpkin Trail event at the Garden and Arts Center; however, only five youth attended to carve pumpkins so the Library did not participate in the Pumpkin Trail event this year.

Adjournment

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Dr. Terry Waldren, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Underwood; 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