

City Council Minutes 1/10/06

The City Council for the Town of Ransom Canyon met in regular session January 10, 2006. The meeting was held at the Ransom Canyon Fire Station, 1 Ridge Road, Ransom Canyon, Texas, and was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Pro-Tem David Peterson. Aldermen Earl Starks, Dick Hulslander, Ron Cox and Donna Clarke were present. Mayor Robert Englund was absent due to a work conflict.

2.) MINUTES: Changes were requested.

- To Item 4.B, POA variance, second sentence. Change “possible” to “possibly.”
- To Item 4.E Air Gap, second paragraph, second sentence. Add the phrase, “allowing us to maintain a constant level lake.”
- To Item 4.E. Air Gap, paragraph 4. Change “range of \$20 to \$25,000” to “range of \$20,000 to \$25,000.”
- To Item 7, Open Session following Executive Session, last sentence. Change to read “...Harold would have permission to use the city truck as personal transportation.”

With these changes, Dick Hulslander moved to approve the minutes, Earl Starks seconded, all approved.

3.A.B.) FINANCIAL REPORT: Dick Hulslander moved to approve the financial report, Earl Starks seconded, all approved.

3.C.) Budget Amendment. \$4100 in repairs were done to the city vehicle in September at Smith Ford, but the bill arrived late in October, and so was not included in last year’s audited accounts. This amount needs to be included in the budget amendment considerations.

3.D.) Earl Starks moved to refund a property tax duplicate payment on property owned by Harold Smith. \$1510.43 will be refunded to Bank of America. All approved.

4.) Building Control Committee: A dock and retaining wall permit was issued this month for a home at 80 South Lake Shore Drive.

5.) The Water Tower is scheduled to be painted if the weather holds, and the system may be operational in April. Dr. Cox asked to report in the water bill that the tower will be painted, and that the tower height is needed for proper water pressure, especially for fire fighting in the event of a fire emergency.

6.) Harold Needham reported on a sewer line repair on Highland Drive that involves a clay pipe line that is part of the delivery system to the customer. Repair is needed in a section of the pipe that is under the street. Because this section is in the city easement, the city will pay for the repair.

7.) Police Chief Wayne Rawls reported that a few car burglaries were investigated this month. The police department believes that they know who the culprits are. Wayne cautioned residents to lock their cars. There have been no traffic citations.

8.) Fire Chief Rand McPherson reported that there were no medical calls, but that there were 2 fire calls for grass fires. One call was an assist to the Idalou fire department. There is a burn ban. CPR certificates will be recertified January 19. There is a possibility of county grant funds. Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for March 4. New officers will be on the February agenda.

9.) Kim Copeland did not attend the meeting, but sent a report that all is well. February is arcade month at the library.

10.) There was no POA report.

11.) There were no comments in open forum.

12.) The meeting adjourned on a motion from Dick Hulslander, second from Earl Starks. All approved and the meeting adjourned.

Melissa Verett
City Administrator