

Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, August 10, 2010
Ransom Canyon City Hall, 24 Lee Kitchens Drive

1. Call to Order/Silent Meditation

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Robert Englund. Council members present, Mayor Pro-tem John Schmersey, Jack Randorff, Donna Clarke and Billy Williams. A moment of silent meditation followed.

2. Minutes of Called Meeting

Minutes of the special called budget work session July 6, 2010 and the regular July 13, 2010 meeting were both approved on a motion made by Billy Williams, seconded by Donna Clarke; motion carried unanimously.

3. The Financials

The financial reports and the July claims and demands were both approved on a motion made by Jack Randorff, seconded by Billy Williams; motion carried unanimously.

4. TML Continuation of Coverage Administrative Agreement

The Administrative Agreement for Continuation of Coverage for health insurance was approved on a motion made by Donna Clarke, seconded by John Schmersey; motion carried unanimously.

5. TML Section 125 Flexible Spending Account Service Agreement

The Service Agreement for the Section 125 Flexible Spending Account was approved on a motion made by Donna Clarke, seconded by John Schmersey; motion carried unanimously.

6. Tax Assessor/Collector's Report

A motion to approve the Tax Assessor/Collector's Report and to maintain the current tax rate of \$.65929 for the upcoming fiscal year was made by Billy Williams, seconded by Donna Clarke. Voting for this motion were Billy Williams, Donna Clarke, John Schmersey and Jack Randorff. Voting against this motion, none; motion carried unanimously.

7. Building Review Committee Report

The committee approved new construction at 52 East Lakeshore Drive.

8. Department Reports

Administration: Muvat reported the following:

- ❖ The TML quarterly meeting will be Thursday, September 23 at Cagle Steaks and the SPAG annual meeting will be September 8 at the Spirit Ranch.
- ❖ The final close out letter for the dam grant has been received and we should be receiving the final payment (approximately \$500) within 30 days. That money will be transferred from the grant account into reserves.
- ❖ The city received the re-rate on the property and liability insurance and overall our rates have decreased slightly. Our insurance re-rate was also received and will only be increasing 2%.

Court Report: Gary Bellair reported that court will be held on August 11 for a failure to stop at the stop sign citation.

Operations: see Harold's written report.

Police: Wayne reported the following:

- ❖ Most of the officers have finished their firearms qualifications.
- ❖ A disaster relief grant has been submitted to the Governor's office and we are awaiting a response.
- ❖ The bullet proof vest grant should be announced this month.
- ❖ A third round of weed notices has gone out.
- ❖ He spoke with a vendor for the digital in-car video cameras which will cost \$5,275 plus the cost of installation. There is an option for a 5 year warranty. Jack Randorff made a motion to purchase that five year warrant for \$1,000. The motion was seconded by Donna Clarke. Voting to purchase the warranty were Donna Clarke and Jack Randorff. Voting against the warranty were John Schmersey and Billy Williams. The Mayor broke the tie by voting in favor of purchasing the warranty. The one camera will be purchased from the 2009-2010 budget and the 2010-2011 budget will reflect the purchase of two additional cameras.

Fire: Rand reported following:

- ❖ There were no fire calls this month.
- ❖ There were four medical calls and one mutual aide assist with Buffalo.

Library: Kim Copeland was not at the meeting.

9. POA Report and Citizen Comment:

- ❖ Jimmy Parker, a resident and the Superintendent for RISD commented about having fiber cable in the city. He has had many connection issues with the current wiring and has spoken with SPTC who stated that they would like to place fiber optic lines in the city but had opposition from the city in the past. The Mayor commented that in the past, SPTC stated digging through the rock would be too expensive and therefore they were not interested in laying fiber lines. Mr. Parker requested that the city speak with SPTC to see if this is feasible now. Donna Clarke stated that if someone from SPTC wants to come out here to meet with the council, the council will meet with them.
- ❖ Jackie Floyd complained about a lot by her home that is in violation of the city weed ordinance. The city has sent the property owner a weed notice to mow the lot and she was assured that it will be mowed.

10. Executive Session

The City Council convened into Executive Session at 7:51 pm for consultation with attorney in accordance with Section 551.071 of the Open Meetings Law and for personnel matters relating to appointing a new Alderman in accordance with Section 551.074 of the Open Meetings Law. The council reconvened into Open Session at 8:28 pm. No action was by the council taken in Executive Session.

11. The Mayor called for a 15 minute break.

12. Appointing a new Alderman

The following were nominated for the vacant Alderman position:

Jana Trew and Jim Childress

A motion made by Jack Randorff, seconded by Donna Clarke to appoint Jana Trew was made. Voting for Jana Trew were Jack Randorff and Donna Clarke, voting against were John Schmersey and Billy Williams. The Mayor broke the tie by voting in favor of Jana Trew. Ms. Trew has been appointed to fill the vacant Alderman position until the May 2012 election.

13. Budget Work Session #3

- ❖ On a motion made by Billy Williams, seconded by John Schmersey, the council approved unanimously to purchase \$10,000 worth of equipment to include a salt spreader, asphalt cutter and water pump out of the 2009-2010 fiscal year budget to be taken from account number 520-5010 (seal coat line item).
- ❖ The council approved adding a \$50,000 line item to be used for repairing, replacing, or adding supports to the water and sewer lines that are above ground across the dam.
- ❖ \$9,762 will be added to the Road & Grounds budget for purchasing holiday decorations.
- ❖ Murvat discussed the possibility of re-funding the 2001 Certificates of Obligation. There will be an upfront cost of \$40,000 with net savings to the city of \$53,000. Murvat will meet with the financial advisors to get detailed information.
- ❖ Murvat will continue to change items as new information becomes available.

14. Adjourn:

Robert Englund adjourned the meeting at 9:37 p.m.

These minutes were approved on the 21st day of September, 2010

APPROVED:

Robert Englund, Mayor

ATTEST:

Murvata Musa, City Secretary