

Ransom Canyon City Council Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting – October 15, 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 Jana Trew. Mayor Robert Englund was unable to attend. Council members present were, John Schmersey, Billy Williams, Lyle Way, and Donna Clarke. A moment of silent meditation followed.

2. Minutes of Meeting

The minutes of the Regular September 10, 2013 meeting were approved on a motion made by Donna Clarke, seconded by Lyle Way; motion carried unanimously.

3. The Financials

The financial reports and the September 2013 claims and demands were approved on a motion made by Billy Williams, seconded by Donna Clarke; motion carried unanimously.

4. Ordinance No. 13-001015 TMRS Match Increase

Ordinance No. 13-001015 Texas Municipal Retirement System, increasing the employee match to 150% was approved on a motion made by Billy Williams, seconded by John Schmersey; motion carried unanimously.

5. Ordinance No. 13-001016 Adopting New Technical and Construction Codes

Ordinance No. 13-001016 adopting the 2012 construction codes was approved on a motion made by Donna Clarke, seconded by Billy Williams; motion carried unanimously.

6. Building Review Committee

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

7. Department Reports

Administration: Murvat Musa reported the following:

- ❖ The TML conference was attended by myself, Harold Needham, Cory Needham, Wayne Rawls, John Schmersey, and Donna Clarke. Lots of meetings were attended and everyone learned a lot.
- ❖ I am preparing for the annual audit, which involves closing out the previous fiscal year and getting files ready for the auditor.

Court Report: Gary Bellair reported the following:

- ❖ One plea was entered for failure to stop at a stop sign.

Operations: Harold Needham reported the following:

- ❖ Harold thanked the council for allowing all the employees to attend the TML conference which provides a great opportunity to network and learn from other cities.
- ❖ There have been several calls complaining about mosquitoes. Lubbock County recently sprayed but given how late it is in the season, that may be the end of mosquito spraying.

Police: Wayne Rawls reported the following:

- ❖ One citation was issued for failure to stop at a stop sign.
- ❖ Two thefts were reported. One for a potted plant and the other for a kayak.
- ❖ One arrest on a warrant was made.
- ❖ One warning for trespassing between the city and Crofoot's Ranch was issued.
- ❖ All the officers completed their annual firearms training today.
- ❖ On Saturday, October 19th, the Texas Tech Bike Club will be hosting their annual run/bike here. This will cause several streets to be closed for a short period of time.
- ❖ The department ordered new Tasers to replace the ones they have that are eight years old.
- ❖ The lake is full thanks to the recent rains.

Fire: Rand McPherson reported the following:

- ❖ There was one medical call and no fire calls this month.
- ❖ The pancake breakfast has been moved, yet again, to October 26th.

Library: Kim Copeland reported the following:

- ❖ The Library Halloween party is being planned but no date has been set yet. The children we will be decorating pumpkins and doing crafts and game.
- ❖ The Slatonite featured an article last week about the library.
- ❖ There have been lots of new resident moving into town with many children.

8. POA Report and Citizen Comments:

- ❖ Jackie Lindsey reported The Visions of Art tour went very well but the turnout was low.
- ❖ Linda Williams reported the Chapel is working on the annual Christmas Home Tour. Thus far, one homeowner has agreed to have their house on the tour. Several more houses are needed. The home tour will be the second Thursday in December. Also, the Chapel celebrated its 25th anniversary this weekend.

9. Adjourn

- ❖ A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. was made by Billy Williams, seconded by Donna Clarke; motion carried unanimously.

These minutes were approved on the 12th day of November 2013

APPROVED:

Robert Englund, Mayor

ATTEST:

Murvat Musa, City Secretary