

MINUTES
RICHWOOD CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting, Monday, April 9, 2012
Richwood City Hall
215 Halbert
Richwood, TX 77531
7:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Clint Kocurek, Mayor and presiding officer.

A. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was given by Lee Bryant, Council, Position #3

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

II. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Roll call showed the following members present:

Clint Kocurek, Mayor and presiding officer
John Pitts, Council, Position #2 and Mayor Pro Tem
Lee Bryant, Council, Position #3
Charles Pettey, Council, Position #4

Absent:

James Hughes, Council, Position #1
Donna Lacy, Council, Position #5

A quorum was declared. Others present included Glenn Patton, City Administrator, Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary, Brad Caudle, Police Chief, John Mercer, City Engineer, Morgan Laird, Woody Welch,

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

On motion by Councilman Pitts, seconded by Councilman Bryant, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approve the minutes of March 12, 2012, March 19, 2012, and March 29, 2012 as presented.

IV. ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

No one was present who wished to address matters not on the agenda.

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Authorization to advertise for bids for Oyster Creek Drive repairs

John Mercer, City Engineer, explained to Council that the original plan was to replace the street

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to Magnolia but additional work on Quail Run to solve any potential drainage problems has resulted in the replacement stopping just under 20 feet of Magnolia. He suggested adding sidewalks as either a bid item or as an alternate. Mr. Patton explained the City is working with the County to solve some of the drainage problems in that area. The pre-bid meeting is scheduled for May 3, bid opening on May 10 and the bid award will be at the May meeting. The work should be completed within 30 days after school is out for the summer.

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Pettey, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to authorize advertising for bids for the Oyster Creek repairs.

B. Authorization to advertise for bids for 2011 CDBG Sidewalk Project

Mr. Mercer explained the 2011 CDBG Sidewalk Project will have the same schedule as the Oyster Creek Drive repairs. He is hoping that the sidewalks will extend as far as W. Mahan and plans to repair portions of the existing sidewalk on N. Mahan.

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to authorize advertising for bids for the 2011 CDBG Sidewalk Project.

C. Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent to Issue Certificates of Obligations

On motion by Councilman Pitts, seconded by Councilman Bryant, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to approval the Resolution Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent to Issue Certificates of Obligations.

D. Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074, Government Code, Personnel Matters to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee: City Council, Position #4

Council entered executive session at 7:19 p.m.

Council exited executive session at 7:32 p.m.

E. Action as a result of executive session

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to appoint Morgan Laird to City Council, Position #4 effective May 14, 2012.

F. Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072, Government Code, deliberation concerning the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

Proposed purchase of property

Council entered executive session at 7:33 p.m.

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Council exited executive session at 8:11 p.m.

G. Action as a result of executive session

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Pitts, with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to authorize Mayor Kocurek and Mr. Caudle to enter into negotiations with Mr. Rice on the potential purchase of his property.

H. Payment of bills

On motion by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Pitts with all members present voting aye, it was duly adopted to pay the bills as presented.

I. Financial Report

Par for the period ending March 31, 2012 is 60%. There are three departments that are over and they are the Police Department, Court and Fire Department.

VI. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

This year's Barbeque Cookoff was the best to date. There were 27 teams and at the height of everything, including the Easter Egg Hunt, there was over 1,200 people. There were approximately 500 at the awards ceremony. The teams had to be parked on the roadway because the soccer field was too wet. There were only a few minor complaints. Over 3,000 eggs were hidden.

This past week, Mr. Patton met with Mr. Mercer and Kenny Williams regarding the lift stations. Lift stations #3, #4 and #5 need extensive work. The left over bond money can be used to refurbish these lift stations.

Mr. Brinkman will hopefully be released by the doctor and return to work on Wednesday. He still gets tired very easily.

We have plans in place to fix the area of Hollyhock and Jasmine that have held water. We will use an asphalt overlay to dry out those areas. We are waiting on the county to work on the streets in Oakwood Shores and to clean the ditch on N. Yaupon. We are working on getting enough of an easement to clear out at least 100 feet on the undeveloped portion of Magnolia St. to drain the water off the street.

He continues to meet with Robert Worley of the Alliance. Mr. Worley feels that Richwood is set to go wide open with all the planned industrial expansion in this part of the county.

We are still on track with the water wells.

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Richwood 2020 appointment of council liaison
HGAC appointment

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Pettey reported that the sign at the corner of FM 2004 and Brazoport Boulevard now has

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lights. If there is any money left over, additional landscaping will be added.

IX. MAYOR'S REPORT

Quintana will be hosting BCCA The City will be hosting BCCA in May. Mayor Kocurek also explained they are still working on the RV park and will meet again with them on Wednesday.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL ON MAY 14, 2012.

Clint Kocurek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen B. Schrom, City Secretary
City of Richwood