

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, **JULY 12TH, 2022**, the Riesel City Council met in a REGULAR called meeting, at 6:30 p.m. in the Riesel City Hall Meeting Room, at 104 Hwy. 6 North in Riesel, Texas, with notice of said meeting having been posted at least 72 hours in advance in accordance with Section 551, Texas Government Code.

Call to Order: Mayor, Kevin Hogg, called the meeting to order at 6:30PM

Council Members Present: Todd Ehlers, Marshall Shaw, Jeff Tanner, Kooper Sjolander & Jeanne Lehrmann

Employees Present: Alisha Flanary, Danny Krumnow, Patrick Bellringer, Randy Ehlers & Ryan Dieterich

Visitors Present: Linda Hogg, Sergio Callaso, Greg Lewis & Tom Flanary

Consent Items: Jeanne Lehrmann made a motion to approve the consent items: Minutes from 6/14/22, the monthly financials & the payment of bills. With a second by Todd Ehlers, the motion carried unanimously.

Visitor's Comments: Linda Hogg offered her thanks to the Maintenance Department for the mowing of the ditch on Jena Street

Parade: Jeanne Lehrmann motioned to approve a parade for the Riesel Lion's Club on July 15th at 6:30 PM. Todd Ehlers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Building Codes: Todd Ehlers made a motion to table action on Building Code Ordinance #2022-02. Jeanne Lehrmann seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Alluvium Well: Discussion was held to update Council on activities pertaining to the alluvium well project. A grant application has been submitted to McLennan County to help with rising costs since the project was initially quoted. An adequate well site has still not been discovered but discussions with BASF have resumed and negotiations are underway to conduct testing on their property.

Drought: Discussion was held regarding severe drought conditions and a request from TCEQ to immediately conserve water. Jeanne Lehrmann made a motion to enact Stage 1 Water Restrictions immediately. Marshall Shaw seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Long Term Water Supply: Todd Ehlers spoke to council about the fragility of the City's water supply and had concerns about the lifespan of the Trinity Aquifer. He urged Council to consider other sources for long term water needs, specifically emphasizing the need for a surface water source.

Community Center: Todd Ehlers spoke to Council about building a Community Center. Discussion was also held about converting an existing building into a Community Center. Building a new City Hall was mentioned and possibly converting the existing building into a Community Center/Library. Comments were made about the need to take care of the City's water problems first.

Budget: Discussion was held regarding the 2022-2023 Budget. Discussion was held regarding debt service and how much of it to collect from tax revenue.

Executive Session: At 7:30 PM Council convened into a closed, executive session, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Government Code to deliberate the duties, employment, evaluation, and/or appointment of a public officer or employee: Police Officer Applicants

Resume Open Session: 7:49 PM Council reconvened in open session, stating that no action was taken during closed session. Kevin made an additional statement saying that the Council would not be hiring an officer at this time.

Executive Session: At 7:50 PM Council convened into a closed, executive session, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Government Code to deliberate the duties, employment, evaluation, and/or appointment of a public officer or employee: Trevor Slusser, Maintenance

Pay Raise: Jeanne Lehrmann moved to give Trevor Slusser a \$1.00 per hour raise. Jeff Tanner seconded her motion and it carried unanimously.

Reports: Monthly activity reports were submitted by the City Secretary and Police Chief.

Adjournment: With no further business, Mayor Hogg adjourned the meeting at 9:20 PM