

BE IT REMEMBERED that on **Tuesday, November 15TH, 2016**, the Riesel City Council met in a SPECIAL called meeting, at 6:30 PM 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 Roger Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Council Members Present: Brandon Blasingame, Jeanne Lehrmann, Bobby Dieterich & Phyllis Koester

Absent: Kevin Hogg

Employees Present: Alisha Flanary

Visitors Present: Rodney Blasingame, Debi Haynes, Earlene Neumann, Lu Ann Borth, Bobbie Blasingame, Donna Blasingame, Lori Blasingame, Caleb Blasingame, Alyee Blasingame, Leslie Wilson, Cassie Wilson, Justin Blasingame

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Jena Place Project: David Marek, City Engineer from the Wallace Group, stated that the first thing that they looked at was drainage. After research and analysis he concluded that the new developer cannot direct any water at all onto Jena Street. The water needs to be taken into a channel, which is currently insufficient in size. Developer will improve the channel. The culverts at Highway 6 and Charles Street are only 24" and create a bottleneck, which backs up water down Charles Street. He recommended that the City upgrade those culverts to alleviate bottleneck with their next task being to work back up Charles Street upgrading culverts. A citizen asked if the developer was still building a retaining wall, and Marek said he had not seen any plans for that. Another citizen asked how future development would affect the culverts/drainage. Marek replied they are looking at that and the probable costs. Marek stated that the sewer line at the Jena development may need some slight repair and that the current water line, which is 4" meets TCEQ rules, but would not provide fire protection because a hydrant must be on a 6" line. The developer plans to run a 6" line down Hwy and come into the South side of his property, from the back.

Visitor's Comments: Debi Haynes asked about the number of lots/residences per plat and asked why individuals can't have 2 sewer taps per platted home and stated that the ordinance needed clarification.

Budget Transfer: Bobby Dieterich made a motion to approve Resolution #2016-1115-1, authorizing a transfer of Budget funds from General fund line item #74 (designated from City Hall Building Fund) to General Fund line item #187 (designated for Drainage & Culverts). Jeanne Lehrmann seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Canvass: Jeanne Lehrmann moved to approve Resolution #2016-1115-2, canvassing the returns of the General and Special Elections of November 8, 2016, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and 2 Council Members and determining a measure regarding the authorization of a street maintenance tax. Brandon Blasingame seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Award: Brandon Blasingame presented Service awards to Mayor Roger Fitzpatrick and Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Lehrmann for their years of dedication and service as public officials.

New Council Members: Alisha Flanary administered the oath of office and issued Certificates of Election to newly elected Council Members Phyllis Koester, Jeff Tanner and the new Mayor, Brandon Blasingame. Roger Fitzpatrick and Jeanne Lehrmann relinquished their chairs and Tanner stepped up to take his place on Council.

Adjourn: With one member being absent (Kevin Hogg) and one seat left vacant by Brandon Blasingame's transfer to the Mayoral Seat, the meeting no longer met the quorum requirements for a Special Called Meeting, so new Mayor Blasingame stated that the remaining agenda items would be moved to the next Council Meeting. Mayor Blasingame adjourned the meeting at **7:16 PM**.

Mayor, Brandon Blasingame

Attest: Alisha Flanary, City Secretary