

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, **FEB. 13, 2024**, 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 Pro Tem Jennifer Hogg called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

Council Members Present: Ralph May, Bobby Dieterich & Paul Winkler

Employees Present: Alisha Flanary, Chelsea Kemp, Jared Bonner, Darryl Welch

Visitors Present: Linda Hogg, Tom Flanary Jr., Phyllis Koester, William Barker, Keith & Connie Ehlers, Debbie Kilgore, Glenna Sandhoff, Courtney Cormier, Robby Kirby, Robert Bailey, Jo Ferguson, Becky Kinder, Keith Pace, Dori & Rodney Dieterich

Mayor Hogg led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor, Robby Kirby, of Old Time Baptist Church, led the invocation.

Executive Session #1: at 6:32 PM city council members convened into a closed executive session, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Government Code (V.C.T.A.) to deliberate the duties, evaluation, employment, and/or appointment of a public officer:

APPLICANTS FOR VACANT COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION

At 7:17 PM Council reconvened into open session, stating that no action was taken during the closed meeting.

APPOINTMENT: Ralph May made a motion to appoint Bill Barker to the vacant council position. Bobby Dieterich seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Secretary Flanary issued sworn oaths to Mr. Barker and he joined the meeting.

MAYOR: Bobby Dieterich made a motion to appoint Jennifer Hogg to the unexpired Mayor position left by Marshall Shaw's resignation. Ralph may seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Secretary Flanary issued sworn oaths to Mrs. Hogg and she conducted the remainder of the meeting as Mayor.

APPOINTMENT: Upon a motion by Paul Winkler to appoint Debbie Kilgore to the vacant council member position left by Jennifer Hogg, and with a second by Ralph May, the motion carried with a unanimous vote. Secretary Flanary issued sworn oaths to Debbie Kilgore and she joined the remainder of the meeting.

Visitor's Comments: Linda Hogg relayed information regarding potholes on Jena St and other locations

Consent Items: Bill Barker made a motion to approve consent items: minutes from the 1/8/24, 1/9/24, 1/16/24, 1/23/24 & 1/30/24 council meetings; payment of bills and payroll and acceptance of monthly financial reports. Paul Winkler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Sewer Odor: a brief update via an email was provided by engineer, Scott Wetzel, stating that manhole monitoring was underway and that a final report of their findings would be available at the regular monthly meeting in March.

Police Car Computers: with a motion made by Ralph May and a second by Bill Barker, the purchase of three Panasonic Toughbooks by former Chief Matt Cospier was ratified with a unanimous vote.

In-Car Radios: upon a motion by Debbie Kilgore and a second by Bobby Dieterich, the purchase of four new APX4500 car radios, plus installation, quoted by Motorola via Quote #2502021 for \$16,233.08, was approved with a unanimous vote.

Sandy Creek: The annual operations report by Sandy Creek Services, LLC was approved unanimously, with a motion by Paul Winkler, a second by Ralph May and with Bill Barker abstaining from the vote.

Ehlers Easement: Bobby Dieterich motioned to grant permission to Laura Ehlers & Brian Bullock to obtain an easement across city property off South Fair Park for an Oncor power line to provide power to their future new home. Paul Winkler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

GPS: upon a motion by Ralph May and a second by Bobby Dieterich, and with a unanimous vote, discussion regarding GPS in city vehicles was tabled.

Procurement Policy: upon a motion by Bobby Dieterich and with a second by Debbie Kilgore, discussion regarding adopting a Procurement Policy was tabled after a unanimous vote.

Racial Profiling Report: upon a motion by Bobby Dieterich and a second by Debbie Kilgore, and with a unanimous vote, discussion and approval of the annual Racial Profiling Report was tabled because the report was not available at the time of this meeting.

Executive Session #2: at 8:28 PM city council members convened into a closed executive session, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Government Code (V.C.T.A.) to deliberate the duties, evaluation, employment, and/or appointment of a public officer:
Officer Darryl Welch

At 9:03 PM Council reconvened into open session, stating that no action was taken during the closed meeting;
In addition, Council took no action in open session regarding the subject of Executive Session #2.

Executive Session #3: at 9:04 PM city council members convened into a closed executive session, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Government Code (V.C.T.A.) to deliberate the duties, evaluation, employment, and/or appointment of a public officer:
Chelsea Kemp

At 9:31 PM Council reconvened into open session, stating that no action was taken during the closed meeting.

Raise in Pay: Bobby Dieterich moved to increase Chelsea Kemp's pay by seven (7) percent. Paul Winkler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Executive Session #4: at 9:32 PM city council members convened into a closed executive session, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Government Code (V.C.T.A.) to deliberate the duties, evaluation, employment, and/or appointment of a public officer:
appointment of an Interim Chief

At 10:01 PM Council reconvened into open session, stating that no action was taken during the closed meeting.

Interim Chief: upon a motion by Paul Winkler and a second by Bill Barker, Jared Bonner was appointed as Interim Police Chief by a unanimous vote.

Monthly Reports were submitted by the office of City Secretary, Police Department, and the Utility Department.

Adjournment: With no further business, Mayor Hogg adjourned the meeting at 10:10 PM