

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, **MARCH 12, 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 Jennifer Hogg called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

**Council Members Present:** Ralph May, Bobby Dieterich, Bill Barker, Debbie Kilgore & Paul Winkler

**Employees Present:** Alisha Flanary, Chelsea Kemp, Ryan Dieterich, Cristen Conner, Randy Ehlers, Jared Bonner & Daryl Welch

**Visitors Present:** Phyllis Koester, Linda Hogg, Kelly Burke, Scott Lewis, Becky Kinder, Leigh Ann Holloway, Terry Winn, Jennifer Boen, Scott Wetzel, Les Clifton, Tom Flanary Jr., Rosalee Shraeder, Glyn Schraeder, Teresa Clifton, Rodney Dieterich, Dori Dieterich, Chelsea Kemp, Kelly Player, Tony Lueck & Amanda Lueck

*Mayor Hogg led the Pledge of Allegiance and Riesel resident, Kelly Player, President of the McLennan County Chapter Christian Motorcyclist Association of America, 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:

*INTERVIEW APPLICANTS FOR POLICE CHIEF*

At 8:23 PM Council reconvened into open session, stating that no action was taken during the closed meeting.

**APPOINTMENT:** Bill Barker made a motion to appoint Ryan Dieterich as Police Chief with a starting annual salary of \$70,000. Ralph May seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Executive Session #2:** At 8:40 PM, Council Members convened into a closed executive session, pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Government Code (V.C.T.A.) so that they could deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property because deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person: LAND FOR WATER PROJECT – ARSENIC ABATEMENT AND SITING OF WELLS

At **9:16** PM Council reconvened into open session stating that no action had been taken in executive session and no action would be taken in open session.

**Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem:** Debbie Kilgore motioned to appoint Ralph May as Mayor Pro Tem. Bill Barker seconded her motion, which carried unanimously.

**Manhole Monitoring:** Scott Wetzel was present to present results from the recent monitoring of the sewer manholes in the Charles Street area.

**Sole Source Engineers:** Bill Barker moved to approve Resolution #2024-0312, Adopting the opinion of the City Attorney and declaring STV Inc. as a sole source provider. Debbie Kilgore seconded that motion and it passed unanimously.

**STV Contract Amendment:** Debbie Kilgore made a motion to approve Contract Amendment No. 1 of the City of Riesel, RAAR Project (Riesel Area Arsenic Reduction Project), TWDB Project No. 62896. Ralph May seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Resignation:** Bill Barker made a motion to accept the resignation of Interim Police Chief, Jared Bonner and thanked him for his service to the City of Riesel. Bobby Dieterich seconded that motion and it passed unanimously.

**Consent Items:** Ralph May made a motion to approve consent items:

- a. Minutes from the 2/13/24, 2/27/24 & 3/7/24 council meetings
- b. payment of bills and payroll
- c. acceptance of monthly financial reports (balance sheets, P&L's, review of check registers & bank reconciliations)

Bobby Dieterich seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Solar Panels:** Discussion was held regarding complaints pertaining to ground installations of solar panels in residential areas

**AED's:** Discussion was held pertaining to Automatic External Defibrillators. A directive was given to further research the matter and to inquire about grants.

**Racial Profiling:** Chief Ryan Dieterich presented Racial Profiling Reports for years ending 12/31/2022 and 12/31/2023. After council discussion and analysis of the reports, Bobby Dieterich made a motion to accept the Racial Profiling Reports for 2023 and 2022. Bill Barker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Barrel Factory:** Discussion was held regarding issues with the building permit for Landon Dieterich's Barrel Factory

**Pay & Benefit Confirmation:** At a previous meeting, Ryan Dieterich was rehired as Police Sergeant, however his salary and benefits were not stated in the motion to rehire him. After council discussion, Bill Barker made a motion to confirm that Ryan Dieterich's salary when he was brought back to his former role as Sergeant was \$59,431.28 per year and that his years of service, longevity and vacation be restored. Paul Winkler seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**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 9:58 PM

  
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Mayor, Jennifer Hogg

  
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Attest: Alisha Flanary, City Secretary

