

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, **SEPT. 13<sup>TH</sup>, 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 6:32PM

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

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

**Visitors Present:** Mike Olson, Alicia Bellringer, Jennifer Boen, Linda Hogg, Paul Winkler, Matt Cosper, Brad Adcock & Amy Cosper

**Consent Items:** Todd Ehlers made a motion to approve the consent items: Minutes from 8/9/22 & 8/30/22, the monthly financials & the payment of bills. With a second by Jeff Tanner, the motion carried unanimously.

**Visitor's Comments:** None

**ALLUVIUM WELL:** Discussion was held to update Council on activities pertaining to the alluvium well project. Jennifer Boen of CP&Y was present to discuss recent progress. Still waiting on approval from BASF to drill test wells on their property.

**LAND CONTRACT:** Jeanne Lehrmann made a motion to approve and accept the assignment of contract for purchase of land (unimproved property contract) from Katherine Ehlers and/or her assigns for the purchase of 10.34 acres of land in the Marcelino Martinez Survey, Abstract 37 Falls County, Texas, identified by the Falls County Appraisal District as Property I.D. No. 27320; approve and accept Assignment Agreement and approve Mayor to execute the same. Marshall Shaw seconded the motion, which carried with four (4) Ayes and zero (0) Nays and one (1) Abstention by Todd Ehlers.

**LAND PURCHASE:** Jeanne Lehrmann made a motion to approve use of Land Funds for purchase of land described above, and authorize City Attorney, Michael W. Dixon to sign all documents necessary for the conveyance of the land to the City, and all other documents necessary to carry out the purchase of the land by the City from Marvin Webster and Mary Webster, and to have full authority to bind the City by his execution thereof. Jeff Tanner seconded the motion, which carried with four (4) Ayes and zero (0) Nays and one (1) Abstention by Todd Ehlers.

**BUILDING CODES:** Discussion was held regarding recently adopted building codes and inspection services by Bureau Veritas. Mike Wilson was present to answer questions and explain the permit process.

**Executive Session:** At 7:25 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 Applicant, Matt Cosper  
At 8:15 PM Council reconvened, stating no action was taken during closed session.

Jeff Tanner made a motion to offer Matt Cosper a police officer position with a starting salary of \$52,000 per year with a \$5,000 sign on bonus, with half being paid after 6 months and the remaining half after 1 year of service. Jeanne Lehrmann seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Executive Session:** At 8:20 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: Annual Evaluations of Ryan Dieterich and Randy Ehlers

**RECONVENE:** At 9:25 PM Council reconvened, stating no action was taken during closed session.

Jeanne Lehrmann moved to give Ryan Dieterich a 5% raise in pay, effective on his anniversary date. Jeff Tanner seconded that motion and it carried unanimously.

Jeanne Lehrmann moved to give Randy Ehlers a 3% raise in pay, effective on his anniversary date. Kooper Sjolander seconded that motion and it carried unanimously.

**DROUGHT:** Discussion was held regarding the Drought Contingency and Water Conservation Plan and at this time, the Stage 1 restrictions will remain in place.

**ELECTION:** Todd Ehlers made a motion to approve Resolution #20220913, a Certificate of Unopposed General Election, and an Order to Cancel the General Election for Mayor and two Council Members. Jeff Tanner seconded that motion and it carried unanimously.

**Salaries:** Discussion was held regarding police officer salaries. No action was taken.

**COLA:** Discussion was held regarding cost-of-living adjustments for next year. No action was taken.

**PARADE:** Jeanne Lehrmann moved to authorize the Riesel High School's Homecoming Parade to be held on September 20, 2022 at 6:15 PM. Todd Ehlers seconded that motion and it carried unanimously.

**CHRISTMAS PARADE:** Todd Ehlers made a motion to set a date for the City's annual Christmas Parade to be held on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:00 PM. Jeff Tanner seconded that motion and it carried unanimously.

**Employee/Council Appreciation:** Council discussed holding the annual Employee/Council appreciation dinner on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Venues will be researched for availability.

**Audit:** Council discussed contracting with William Grimsley for the upcoming annual financial audit, however, just prior to the council meeting Mr. Grimsley gave notice of his retirement and stated that he was looking for a CPA to take on his clients, but had not found anyone yet.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, Mayor Hogg adjourned the meeting at 9:50 PM

  
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Mayor, Kevin Hogg

  
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Attest: Alisha Flanary, City Secretary

