



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Ranger, Texas, was held on **Monday, July 24, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.** in City Hall, 400 West Main Street Ranger, Texas. The following subjects were discussed, to wit:

COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Honorable Terry Robinson	Mayor
Commissioner Joe Sigler	Place 1
Commissioner Kevan Moize	Place 2
Commissioner Wendy Erwin	Place 3
Commissioner Samantha McGinnis	Place 4
City Manager Savannah Fortenberry	
City Secretary Somer Lee	
Honorable Tammy S. Archer	

Agenda Item 01: Call to Order- Mayor Robinson

Roll Call/Quorum Check- City Secretary, Somer Lee
Invocation of Prayer- Commissioner McGinnis
Pledge of Allegiance to United States Flag- Mayor Robinson
Pledge of Allegiance to Texas Flag- Mayor Robinson

Agenda Item 02: Citizen's Presentation: **1.** Travis Rogers announced his resignation from the REDC. Mr. Rogers stated that Mr. Gerdes has been a good leader, but feels that there is a road block between city council and REDC.

Agenda Item 03: Announcements from City Council or Staff- **1.** City Manager, Savannah Fortenberry, expressed condolences for the fallen officer of the Eastland County Sheriff's Office. **2.** Commissioner Moize made a request that one or more of the Ranger representatives on the ECWSD board attend the first commission meeting of each month to provide updates to the commission and citizens.

Agenda Item 04: Discuss/Consider: approval of the city council meeting minutes for the regular meeting on July 10, 2023.

*Motion made by Commissioner Erwin to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on July 10, 2023 and 2nd by Commissioner Sigler. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 05: Discuss/Consider: Consideration and Action to Approve or Disapprove Eastland County Appraisal District Resolution No. 2023-071062.

*Randy Clark explained there would be no increase in the budget, the funds will be used for maintenance purposes.

*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to approve Resolution No. 2023-071062 and 2nd by Commissioner Erwin. **All Ayes and Motion Passed**

Agenda Item 06: Discuss/Consider: permanently closing a portion of Young Street and Dorsey Avenue, west of Terrell Avenue by Texas Special Warranty Deed; abandoning block 24 lots 1-6 and block 25 lots 1-4 from the Miss E. Burgers Second Addition, Town of Ranger, Eastland County, Texas as per the Official plat of said addition filed of record in Slide 166.

*Commissioner Moize requested a letter from the Texas Veterans Land Board stating the requirement of abandoning the streets. He also requested a copy of the proposed special warranty deed or the legal description of the property. Commissioner Moize also suggested that the city attorney is contacted to get their opinion and make sure there are no future liabilities that the city will be responsible for.

*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to table Agenda Item 06 until the next meeting and Commissioner Sigler 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 07: Discuss/Consider: input from council regarding the upcoming budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

*City Manager, Savannah Fortenberry, stated that legal fees expense had been added to the upcoming budget. Commissioner Moize spoke about the Eastland County Water Supply District and the expected 20% increase. He stated that he had requested a copy of the packet from the ECWSD and spoke regarding the income and expenses. Mr. Moize also commented that the cost increases do not reflect the need to increase or support. **No Action Taken.**

Agenda Item 08: Discuss: CDV21-0298 valve and hydrant grant project update.

*City Manager, Savannah Fortenberry, stated the completion of valves would most likely be this week and Hydrants would begin the following week. **No Action Taken.**

Agenda Item 09: Discuss/Consider: an update regarding the status of the contract modification number 5 for the contract with Eastland County Water Supply District and the requested waterline tap.

*City Manager, Savannah Fortenberry, stated that she had requested the tap policy for better clarification and a list of approved contractors, but has yet to receive an answer. Commissioner Moize listed several questions of concern. Is there a quote from contractors? Why is there going to be a 25% markup? If the city was to agree with the policy and the ownership of the waterline locations, will it always take over a month to get a tap? When will we have a copy of contract modification #5? Steve Gerdes announced that the ECWSD voted not to allow the city to tap at the ECWSD meeting held on June 20, 2023. **No Action Taken.**

Agenda Item 10: Discuss/Consider: an update regarding the Eastland County Water Supply District's plans for Ranger involving the TWDB 2019 Grant.

*City Manager, Savannah Fortenberry, stated that Carrie Goodman had sent an email informing there was no update due to the ECWSD engineer being on vacation. Commissioner Moize requested a site plan of the 2019 work and the instructions the board provided to the engineer regarding the backwash tower. **No Action Taken.**

Agenda Item 11: Discuss/Consider: Ranger Economic Development Corporation Type 4A and 4B Board of Directors applications, appointments, reappointments, and/or replacements.

*City Manager, Savannah Fortenberry, announced that 4 applicants had been voluntarily removed. Teresa Baker, Donna Thackerson, Nelda Rodgers, and Brian Rogers no longer wanted to be considered. Commissioner Moize stated that these are 2 separate boards with the members duplicated. In order to duplicate the two boards, we must use the most restrictive criteria of either board. When the council appointed last year, it was assumed that the members were on non-expired terms on either board. That may have been a wrong assumption and over a year later it is clear that terms have expired.

*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to acknowledge the term expiration of all current directors on either the A or B boards and; consequently, the removal of all directors from both boards. Further that we accept the remaining 6 applicants as new REDC A and B board members. Justin Koerner, Kathleen Glidwell, Marla Tovar, Teresa Swindell, Shelley Abernathy, and Sheila Bond and Commissioner Erwin 2nd the motion. **Ayes: Moize, Erwin, Sigler, McGinnis; Nay: Robinson; Motion Passed.**

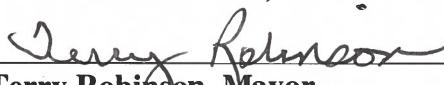
*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to appoint Samantha McGinnis to both REDC A and B Boards and Commissioner Sigler 2nd the motion. **Ayes: Moize, Sigler, Erwin; Nay: Robinson; Abstain: McGinnis; Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 12: Discuss/Consider: Adjournment- 6:54 PM

*Motion made by Commissioner Sigler to adjourn and Commissioner Moize 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed**

These minutes were approved on the 14th day of August, 2023

CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS


Terry Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Somers Lee, City Secretary



