



CITY OF  
**RANGER**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Ranger, Texas, was held on **Monday, January 9, 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 John Casey	Mayor
Commissioner Larry Monroe	Place 1
Commissioner Terry Robinson	Place 2
Commissioner Kevan Moize	Place 3
Commissioner Samantha McGinnis	Place 4
City Secretary Savannah Fortenberry	
Honorable Tammy S. Archer	

**Agenda Item 01: Call to Order-** Mayor Casey

Roll Call/Quorum Check- Mayor Casey  
Invocation of Prayer- Commissioner McGinnis  
Pledge of Allegiance to United States Flag- Mayor Casey  
Pledge of Allegiance to Texas Flag- Mayor Casey

**Agenda Item 02: Citizen's Presentation:** 1. Bob Green spoke regarding the dangerous building ordinance. Mr. Green stated the ordinance needed to be thrown in the trash and a new one needed to be wrote for Ranger.

**Agenda Item 03: Announcements from City Council or Staff-** 1. City Secretary, Savannah Fortenberry, announced City Hall would be closed January 16<sup>th</sup> in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. 2. Commissioner Moize stated election sign ups for the City of Ranger General Election and the Eastland County Water Supply District start January 18<sup>th</sup>. 3. City Secretary, Savannah Fortenberry, gave a reminder regarding the open positions within the city; City Manager and a Public Works Director.

**Agenda Item 04: Discuss/Consider:** approval of the city council meeting minutes for the regular meeting on December 12, 2022, called meeting on December 12, 2022 and the public hearing on December 12, 2022.

\*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on December 12, 2022, called meeting on December 12, 2022 and the public hearing on December 12, 2022 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner McGinnis. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

**Agenda Item 05: Discuss/Consider:** approval to designate the Animal Control Officer as the Local Rabies Control Authority as required by the Texas Health and Safety Code 826.017.

\*Motion made by Commissioner Robinson to designate the Animal Control Officer as the Local Rabies Control Authority as required by the Texas Health and Safety Code 826.017 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Monroe. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

**Agenda Item 06: Discuss/Consider:** FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2023-01-23-A: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 2007-10-08-03; ADOPTING REGULATIONS CONCERNING SUBSTANDARD BUILDINGS WITHIN THE CITY; ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STRUCTURAL STANDARDS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE AND HEARINGS; PROVIDING FOR ABATEMENT BY OWNER OR CITY; PROVIDING A PENALTY; ALLOWING FOR ASSESSMENT OF CITY EXPENSES AND IMPOSITION OF LIEN; ESTABLISHING CIVIL REMEDIES BY CITY; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND REPEALER CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

\*Commissioner Moize read aloud the redlined version presented of the ordinance. Mr. Moize expressed the importance of updating the substandard building ordinance, and that this version included all changes made at the workshop held in December. Commissioner Robinson stated the safety of citizens in the main concern for Ranger. Mr. Green stated the ordinance was going to force people out of their homes.

\*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to accept the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-01-23-A and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner McGinnis. **Ayes: Moize, McGinnis, Robinson; Abstain: Monroe; 3 Ayes and Motion Passed.**

**Agenda Item 07: Discuss/Consider:** rescinding Resolution No. 2014-01-13-A: a resolution of the City of Ranger authorizing the city secretary to open a bank account at first financial bank, Ranger, Texas, for the purpose of establishing a Ranger PD lease account to accept monthly deposits for annual lease payment for vehicles.

\*Motion made by Commissioner Robinson to rescind Resolution No. 2014-01-13-A and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Monroe. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

**Agenda Item 08: Discuss/Consider:** accepting bid recommendation and authorize the interim city administrator to proceed with the purchase from Jacob and Martin for the purchase of pickup, trailer, and excavator.

\*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to accept the bid recommendations as follows; Trailer: Dirty Work Construction, Excavator: Yellowhouse Machinery, Pickup Truck: Bruner Motors, Inc., and authorize the interim city administrator to proceed and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Monroe. **Ayes: Moize, Monroe, McGinnis; Naye: Robinson; 3 Ayes and Motion Passed.**

**Agenda Item 09: Discuss/Consider:** using funds from the police lease account to pay for the non-grant portion of pickup, trailer, and excavator purchase.

\*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to use the funds from the police lease account to pay for the non-grant portion of the pickup, trailer, and excavator purchase and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Monroe. **Ayes: Moize, Monroe, McGinnis; Naye: Robinson; 3 Ayes and Motion Passed.**

**Agenda Item 10: Discuss:** the updated 2023 water rate set by Eastland County Water Supply District.

\*The public was made aware that Eastland County Water Supply District's updated 2023 water rate was set at \$4.16 per thousand. **No Action Taken**

**Agenda Item 12: Discuss/Consider:** Convene into executive session at **6:03pm** pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct to consult with legal counsel regarding

- CV2246534, Ranger Airfield Maintenance Foundation vs. City of Ranger, in the Judicial District of Eastland County, Texas

**Agenda Item 13: Discuss/Consider:** Reconvene into open session at **6:34pm** to take action as deemed appropriate in the City Council's discretion regarding

- CV2246534, Ranger Airfield Maintenance Foundation vs. City of Ranger, in the Judicial District of Eastland County, Texas

\*Commissioner Moize stated the city is now in litigation with the Ranger Airfield Maintenance Foundation, and we are limited on what can be said. The city attorney is preparing a response to the suit. **No Action.**

**Agenda Item 14: Discuss/Consider: Consent Items; the Approval of Monthly Department Reports:**

- **Finance Report-** Director Savannah Fortenberry
- **Library Report-** Librarian Diana McCullough
- **REDC 4A Report-** President Steve Gerdes
- **REDC 4B Report-** President Steve Gerdes
- **Municipal Court Report-** Judge Tammy Archer
- **Fire/EMS Report-** Chief Darrel Fox
- **Police Department-** Chief Moran
- **Animal Control/Code Enforcement-** River Gibson
- **Public Works Report-** Director Andrew Lopez

\*Commissioner Moize asked if a police vehicle was recently involved in a wreck. Mayor Casey stated there was a wreck several months back. Council stated they would like to be informed of situations when they occur.

\*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to approve the reports and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner McGinnis. **All Ayes and the motion passed.**

**Agenda Item 15: Discuss/Consider: Adjournment- 6:55pm**

\*Motion made by Commissioner Monroe to adjourn and Commissioner Robinson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

*These minutes were approved on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2023*

**CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS**

  
**John Casey, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

  
**Savannah Fortenberry, City Secretary**



