



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Ranger, Texas, was held on **Monday, March 8, 2021 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 Joe Pilgrim	Mayor
Commissioner Larry Monroe	Place 1
Commissioner Robert Butler	Place 2
Commissioner John Casey	Place 3
Commissioner Bittni Boykin	Place 4
City Manager Gerald Gunstanson	
City Secretary Savannah Fortenberry	
Public Works Director Robert Alvarez	

Agenda Item 01: Call to Order- Mayor Pilgrim

Roll Call/Quorum Check- Savannah Fortenberry
Invocation of Prayer- John Casey
Pledge of Allegiance to United States Flag- Mayor Pilgrim
Pledge of Allegiance to Texas Flag- Mayor Pilgrim

Agenda Item 02: Citizen's Presentation: No Participation.

Agenda Item 03: Announcements from City Council or Staff- **1.** City Manager, Gerald Gunstanson, introduced Officer Elizabeth Wristen. Mr. Gunstanson presented Officer Wilson with a letter of accommodation for going above and beyond while assisting a resident of Ranger. Buster Robinson and Jared Johnson reimbursed Officer Wilson the money she spent on a hotel room for the local resident. **2.** Commissioner Butler reminded the public there will be a Workshop held at the Ranger Community Center on March 27th from 12-4. **3.** Commissioner Butler updated the public on the Walnut Street Clinic project. He stated the sidewalk and driveway had been poured. Commissioner Butler mentioned this meets the needs for rural health care.

Agenda Item 04: Discuss/Consider: approval to use Willow Park for the annual Easter Egg Hunt held by the Ranger Ministerial Alliance. –Buster Robinson, Ranger Ministerial Alliance

*Motion made by Commissioner Monroe to allow the RMA to use the Willow Park for the annual Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for April 3, 2021 from 10am-1pm and Commissioner Boykin 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 05: Discuss/Consider: approving the REDC-4A submission of officers to the City Council. – Diana McCullough, REDC 4A Executive Director

*Motion made by Commissioner Boykin to accept the resignation of Gerald Gunstanson as President and appoint Robert Butler as president; appoint Gerald Gunstanson as Vice President and Diana McCullough as Executive Director and Secretary and Commissioner Casey 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 06: Discuss/Consider: RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03-08-C: A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN ADMINISTRATION SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE 2021-2022 TXCDBG COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATION AND PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION, ADMINISTERED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.- Gerald Gunstanson, City Manager

*Motion made by Commissioner Casey to approve Resolution No. 2021-03-08-C and Commissioner Butler 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 07: Discuss/Consider: RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03-08-D: A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN ADMINISTRATION SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE 2021 TEXAS CAPITAL FUND DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION/MAIN STREET PROGRAM OF THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (TXCDBG) PROGRAM FOR APPLICATION AND PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION. –Gerald Gunstanson, City Manager

*Motion made by Commissioner Boykin to approve Resolution No. 2021-03-08-D and Commissioner Casey 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 08: Discuss/Consider: a proclamation for the City of Ranger Proclaiming the Month of April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month. –Gena Camacho, Eastland County Crisis Center

*Motion made by Commissioner Boykin to proclaim the Month of April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month and Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 09: Discuss/Consider: INITIAL DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF THE DRAFT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-04-12-A, WHICH WOULD BE KNOWN AS THE "CEMETERY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RANGER": AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF REGULATIONS, RULES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES THAT SHOULD BE ADOPTED REGARDING THE CITY OF RANGER'S EVERGREEN CEMETERY; REPEALING ALL PREVIOUS ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; EFFECTIVE DATE AND OPEN MEETING CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS. – Robert Butler, Commissioner Place 2

*Motion made by Commissioner Casey to take no action and Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed**

Agenda Item 10: Discuss/Consider: approval and adoption of a two year strategic plan for the City of Ranger, Texas, that provides a guide that outlines the mission, vision, values, goals and objectives for the City of Ranger. The plan is a culmination of work by the city council, the city manager and department directors, and incorporates resident input. This document supports planning actions for a two year time frame with measures of performance for identified categories of city service. – Robert Butler, Commissioner Place 2

*Motion made by Commissioner Monroe to approve and adopt the two year strategic plan for the City of Ranger, Texas, that provides a guide that outlines the mission, vision, values, goals and objectives for the City of Ranger and Commissioner Boykin 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed**

Agenda Item 11: Discuss/Consider: RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03-08-E: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF CITIES SERVED BY ONCOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF SIX CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY, LLC.

*Motion made by Commissioner Casey to approve Resolution No. 2021-03-08-E and Commissioner Butler 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 12: Discuss: the amended 2020-2021 fiscal year budget. –Gerald Gunstanson, City Manager

*Scheduled the Budget Workshop for March 22nd at 3:30pm.

Agenda Item 13: Discuss/Consider: Consent Items; the Approval of Monthly Department Reports:

- **Finance Report-** Director Savannah Fortenberry
- **Library Report-** Librarian Diana McCullough
- **REDC 4A Report-** President Robert Butler
- **REDC 4B Report-** President Steve Gerdes
- **Municipal Court Report-** Judge Tammy Archer
- **Fire/EMS Report-** Chief Darrel Fox
- **Police Department-** Manager Gerald Gunstanson
- **Animal Control/Code Enforcement-** Bradley Keyser
- **Public Works Report-** Director Robert Alvarez

*Motion made by Commissioner Casey for the approval of all the Consent Items; Monthly Department Reports, Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 14: Convene in Executive Session **at 7:20pm** Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section§ 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, or dismissal of a public officer or employee. – Joe Pilgrim, Mayor

- City Manager
- Chief of Police

Agenda Item 15: Convene in Executive Session Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section Section 551.072. **Deliberations about Real Property:** A governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if

deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

1. Parcel 5397; LTS 1-13 BLK 7 Cooper 2nd

Agenda Item 16: Discuss/Consider: Reconvene into Open Session at 8:45pm and take action from Executive Session - Joe Pilgrim, Mayor

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to offer the City Manager, Gerald Gunstanson, a contract after successfully completing his 90 probationary period and Commissioner Casey 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to hire Randy Hooks as the new Chief of Police with a 90 day probationary period and Commissioner Boykin 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to purchase Parcel 5397 that is adjacent to the Ranger Antique Airfield; Parcel 5397 is being offered at one half the purchase price and this will become City of Ranger property and Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 17: Discuss/Consider: Adjournment- 8:50 pm

*Motioned by Commissioner Casey to adjourn and Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

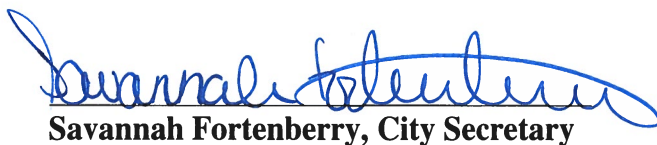
These minutes were approved on the 22nd day of March, 2021

CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS



Joe Pilgrim, Mayor

ATTEST:


Savannah Fortenberry, City Secretary

