



**CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 21, 2015**

**Present:**

Robert Lorange, Mayor  
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem

**Councilmembers:**

Tammy Cowdery  
Paula Coggin  
Chuck Bradford

**Guests:**

Doug Rochelle

**City Staff:**

Dessie Whelchel, City Secretary  
Tom Townsend, Public Works Director

**Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present**

With a quorum of the Council members present, the regular meeting of the Redwater City Council was called to order by Mayor Lorange at 6:05 pm on Monday, September 21, 2015, in the Council Chambers at Redwater City Hall, 120 Redwater Blvd. W, Redwater, TX. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by Chuck Bradford.

**Public Comments – Open Forum**

Doug Rochelle addressed the Council in regards to the steep increase in water usage on his August bill. Mayor Lorange directed Mr. Rochelle to read his own meter each month to compare to the City's reading. Tom Townsend assured Mr. Rochelle the City will keep an eye on his meter for the next few months.

**Reports**

- (a) Mayor-Robert Lorange
- **Update on street repairs** – repairs were finished at Church St & Short St and the Church St. / Red River Rd S intersection; Kruse Ln is halfway finished; and Taylor St was fixed from Red River Rd S to Jones St intersections.
  - **Update on Riverbend** – member cities' rates may increase due to fees owed to Corps of Engineers – do not know how much increase will be for each city.
  - **Sewer line project** – developers are adding 50 new homes to the Red Bridge addition and are planning to run sewer from there to TexAmericas Center for processing. Redwater will handle the billing, with a portion of the proceeds going to all 3 parties (developers, TexAmericas, and Redwater).
- (b) Public Works Director -Tom Townsend
- had a couple of leaks in the past month – nothing major
  - did a water tap on Hwy 67

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- bore and tap on Trexler
  - Put up new "No Dumping" sign at the park near dumpster; have been having a big problem with illegal dumping
- (c) Secretary - Dessie Whelchel
- **Financial reports** - Council reviewed financial reports included in packets
- (d) Water Department-Cindy Bartlett
- **Monthly RVFD water usage** – 1,000 gallons
  - **Cut off list** - \$2,030 in fees
  - **ACH processing** - \$21,201.31

**Consent Agenda**

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**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve and adopt the consent agenda as follows:

- (a) **Approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 10, 2015**  
(b) **Approval of accounts payable for August 2015**

The motion carried.

**Authorizations by Council**

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- (a) **Approve Finalized Budget (Exhibit A) for FY 2015/2016**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cowdery and a second by Councilmember Whelchel the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve the Budget for FY 2015/2016. The motion carried.

**Ordinances and Resolutions**

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- (a) **Review and Approve Ordinance No. 15-02-21, adopting a budget and appropriating resources for Fiscal Year 2015/2016, beginning October 1, 2015, and ending September 30, 2016**

**ORDINANCE NO. 15-02-21:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDWATER, TEXAS, ADOPTING A BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING RESOURCES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Bradford and a second by Councilmember Cowdery, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve Ordinance No. 15-02-21, adopting a budget and appropriating resources for FY 2015/2016. The motion carried.

Council voted on the adoption of the budget as follows:

FOR: Councilmember Bradford, Councilmember Coggin, Councilmember Cowdery,  
& Councilmember Whelchel

AGAINST: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Crites



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- (b) **Review and Approve Ordinance No. 15-20-27, Levying a Property Tax Rate for the City of Redwater for the Tax Year 2015**

**ORDINANCE NO. 15-20-27:** AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF REDWATER, TEXAS, FOR THE TAX YEAR 2015

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed approve and adopt Ordinance No. 15-20-27, Levying a Property Tax Rate for the City of Redwater at \$0.188931 per \$100 valuation. The motion carried.

Council voted on the 2015 Tax Rate as follows:

FOR: Councilmember Whelchel, Councilmember Cowdery, Councilmember Bradford, & Councilmember Coggin

AGAINST: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Crites

- (c) **Review and Approve Resolution No. R-15-09-6, Adopting the City's Investment Policy**

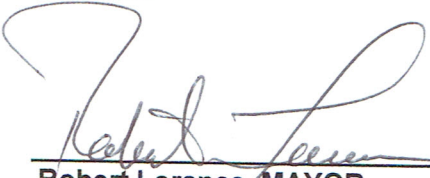
**RESOLUTION NO. R-15-09-6:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWATER, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE CITY'S INVESTMENT POLICY

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Bradford, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve Resolution No. R-15-09-6, Adopting the City's Investment Policy. The motion carried.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Bradford and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn the regular meeting of the Redwater City Council at 7:00 pm on Monday, September 21, 2015. The motion carried.

These minutes approved on the 12 day of October, 2015.

  
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Robert Lorange, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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Dessie Whelchel, CITY SECRETARY, TRMC