



**CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 8, 2018**

**Present:**

Robert Lorange, Mayor  
Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem

**Councilmembers:**

Ronnie Bell  
Paula Coggin  
Ronnie Starkey

**Guests:**

**City Staff:**

Dessie Whelchel, City Secretary  
Adam Ezell, Public Works

**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, January 8, 2018, in the Council Chambers at Redwater City Hall, 120 Redwater Blvd. W, Redwater, TX. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Paula Coggin.

**Public Comments – Open Forum**

None.

**Reports**

- (a) Mayor Pro Tem – Leo Whelchel
  - **Quarterly Public Funds Investment Report** – Mayor Pro Tem Whelchel went over report included in council packet.
- (b) Public Works-Adam Ezell
  - Repaired multiple water leaks last week due to freezing temps causing lines to burst
- (c) Secretary - Dessie Whelchel

- **Monthly Financial Reports** - Council reviewed financial reports included in packet

(d) Water Department-Cindy Bartlett (not present)

### Consent Agenda

**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 the minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 11, 2017**
- (b) **Approval of accounts payable for December 2017**

The motion carried.

### Authorizations by Council

- (a) **Discuss and take action on purchase of new riding lawn mower**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Starkey and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to purchase the Dixie Chopper XCaliber 31hp Kaw. 60" cut mower. The motion carried.

### Executive Session

- (a) **Council adjourned into a closed session at 6:24 pm in accordance with the Texas Government Code 551.074: Discussion of compensation for Dessie Whelchel, Cindy Bartlett, Tanya Hamilton, Jim Smith, Joe Snyder, Adam Ezell, David Lewis and Dustin McDonald**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Bell, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn into closed session. The motion carried.

### Reconvene

- (a) **Council reconvened into Regular Session at 6:49 pm**

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Starkey, and a second by Councilmember Bell, the Council voted three (3) for, none (0) opposed, with one (1) (Councilmember Whelchel) abstaining, to approve employee pay increases as follows:

Cindy Bartlett:	2% increase
Jim Smith:	2% increase
Joe Snyder:	2% increase
Dessie Whelchel:	6% increase

David Lewis: \$1.00 per hour increase  
Adam Ezell: \$1.50 per hour increase

In addition to a pay increase, Adam Ezell was given the title of "Assistant Public Works Director", and will be allowed to drive a City truck to/from home.

The motion carried.

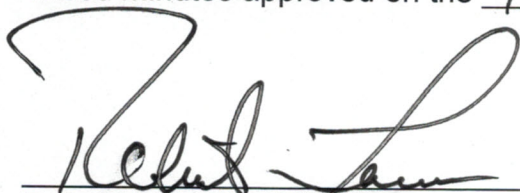
### Other Business

- (a) **Discuss water tap rate increase due to increase in cost of materials**  
Adam informed the Council that the new meters are going to cost over \$200 each, plus the cost of the other supplies needed to make a tap have increased to the point that the city is losing money on each tap. Adam is to determine as close as possible the exact cost of a standard tap and Council will approve a rate increase at the next meeting.

### Adjournment

**MOTION:** Upon a motion made by Councilmember Coggin and a second by Councilmember Starkey, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn the regular meeting of the Redwater City Council at 6:57 pm on Monday, January 8, 2018.  
The motion carried.

These minutes approved on the 16 day of February, 2018.

  
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Robert Lorance, MAYOR

**ATTEST:**

  
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Dessie Whelchel, CITY SECRETARY, TRMC