



**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
August 14, 2023**

Present:

Clay Parker, Mayor

Councilmembers:

Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem
Paula Coggin
Ronnie Starkey
Kelly Gerber

Guests:

John Morris - mvba
Jeremy Buechter - SPI

City Staff:

Dessie Whelchel, City Administrator / Finance Director
Tanya Duhon, City Secretary
Jimmy Woolery, Police Chief

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 Parker at 06:02 pm on Monday, August 14, 2023, in the Community Center at Redwater City Hall, 120 Redwater Blvd. W, Redwater, TX Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Paula Coggin.

Public Comments – Open Forum

Jeremy Buechter of SPI gave update to the Mayor and Council on the Jones St Project that is being paid by ARPA funds.

Presentations and Recognitions

- (a) John Morris of mvba – presentation of collections for Court fines & fees and AR

Explained in detail to Council about collections for Court fines & fees and AR and will be placed for approval on the Agenda for September 11, 2023.

Reports

- (a) Police Chief – Jimmy Woolery
- **Monthly Policing Reports** - Council reviewed report included in council packet
 - **Resignation** – last day 08.26.23
- (b) Public Works Supervisor – Joe Snyder
- **Monthly Public Works Report** – Council reviewed report included in council packet
- (c) City Administrator / Finance Director - Dessie Whelchel
- **Monthly Financial Reports** - Council reviewed financial reports included in council packet

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Gerber, 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 July 10, 2023**
- (b) **Approval of accounts payable for July 2023**

The motion carried.

Authorizations by Council

- (a) **Approve Certified Appraisal Roll**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel, and a second by Councilmember Gerber, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve Certified Appraisal Roll. The motion carried.

- (b) **Discuss and Adopt Proposed Budget for FY 2023 / 2024**

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 adopt a Proposed Budget for FY 2023 / 2024 and place on file with the City Secretary until Public Hearing in September. The motion carried.

- (c) **Discuss and Adopt Proposed Current Property Tax Rate for 2023 / 2024**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Gerber, and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to adopt the Current Property Tax Rate of \$0.181100/\$100 as the Proposed Rate for 2023 / 2024. The motion carried.

Council voted on the 2022 Current Tax Rate as the Proposed Property Tax rate for 2023 / 2024 as follows:

FOR: Councilmembers Coggin, Whelchel, Starkey, and Gerber

AGAINST: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Owens

- (d) **Consider and approve updated pay scale**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Gerber, and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve updated pay scale. The motion carried.

- (e) **Discuss and take possible action on changing uniform companies**

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 cancel uniform / rug service through Colonial Cleaners and purchase uniforms direct. The motion carried.

Ordinances and Resolutions

- (a) **Review and approve Ordinance No. 23-23-39, Increasing certain water / sewer rates**

ORDINANCE NO. 23-23-39: AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWATER, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 22-23-38, INCREASING CERTAIN RATES; PRESCRIBING THE RATED TO BE CHARGED FOR SERVICES FURNISHED BY THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM OWNED AND OPERATED BY SAID CITY; DECLARING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND DECLARING THAT SHOULD ANY PART OF THIS ORDINANCE BE INVALID SUCH INVALIDITY WILL NOT AFFECT THE REMAINDER OF

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THIS ORDINANCE.

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Gerber, the Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed to approve Ordinance No. 23-23-39, Increasing certain water / sewer rates. The motion carried.

Other Business

(a) Set date for annual fall cleanup

Friday, October 13, 2023, from 12:00 pm – 05:00 pm & Saturday, October 14, 2023, from 08:00 am – 01:00 pm

Adjournment

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 adjourn the regular meeting of the Redwater City Council at 07:22 pm on Monday, August 14, 2023. The motion carried.

These minutes approved on the 11th day of September 2023.



Clay Parker, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Tanya Duhon, CITY SECRETARY