

**MINUTES FOR THE CITY OF RICHLAND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 13, 2025, AT 6:00PM
103 W. MAIN ST.
RICHLAND TX. 76681**

CALL TO ORDER AT 6:00PM

ROLL CALL Mayor Jerry Morris, David Morris, Mike Weempe, Caren Smith, Jay Tidwell, Shirley Thomas, Bruce Thomas, Chief Robinson and Ronda Franks. Special guests were Karen and Jason Street, Brandon Smith and Matt Logue with The Landing Subdivision, Iram Rodriguz and Marimar Lazaro.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON DAVID STREET, 1003 HULL DR. RICHLAND ASKING TO HAVE HIS PROPERTY DE-ANNEXED.

Mike Weempe made a motion not to de-annex the property owned by Karen and Jason Street. **David Morris** seconded the motion. **5 Ayes and 0 Nays.**

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON MR. MATT LOGUE WITH LAKEWOOD CAPITAL GROUP DISCUSSION ON THE NEW SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT CALLED THE LANDING.

Mr. Logue spoke with the council concerning the Landing Subdivision development. Land was purchased on December 14, 2023, 135 acres later another portion of land was purchased being 400 acres. The development has 185 lots for homes to be built. Lakewood Capital group hired Fontain Engineering to discover what size water line would be needed. Fontain Engineering findings were an 8" water line. Mr. Logue also discussed a meeting in April with Navarro County. Mike Weempe discussed with Mr Logue the possibility of Richland annexing the property since the city would furnish the water, fire protection and Police protection. Mr. Logue then asked what the cities property tax rate was, Mayor Jerry Morris answered 0.025/100. Mr. Logue mentioned to council that Lakewood Capital had already paid for three (3) taps to be installed. Mr. Logue said he would like to meet again with council in May after his meeting with Navarro County.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 13, 2025, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

Mike Weempe made a motion to approve the minutes of February 13, 2025. **Caren Smith** seconded the motion **5 Ayes 0 Nays**

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2025, EMERGENCY SPECIAL CALLED MEETING.

Mike Weempe made a motion to approve the minutes of February 20, 2025. **Jay Tidwell** seconded the motion. **5 Ayes 0 Nays**

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON FINANCIALS FOR FEBRUARY 2025

Caren Smith made a motion to approve the Financial report for February 2025. **Mike Weempe** seconded the motion. **5 Ayes 0 Nays**

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT FOR FEBRUARY, RICHLAND AND ANGUS.

Caren Smith made a motion to approve the Municipal Court report for February. **Mike Weempe** seconded the motion. **5 Ayes 0 Nays**

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON POLICE REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2025.

Chief Robinson reported that the new Tahoe had been lost between the outfitter and the dealership. Chief Robinson also asks to have cameras put up at PD barn. **Mike Weempe** made a motion to give the Dealership until the end of month to have Tahoe delivered and permission to install cameras at PD barn. The city already has the cameras. **Caren Smith** seconded the motion. **5 Ayes 0 Nays**

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTING A RESOLUTION 190 FOR ATMOS STEERING COMMITTEE

Mike Weempe made a motion to adopt the Resolution 190 for ATMOS STEERING committee. **Jay Tidwell** seconded the motion. **5 Ayes 0 Nays**

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON SCORING OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROPOSALS FOR THE RESILIENT COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANT. Each council member scored the administrative proposal.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTING A RESOLUTION 191 AWARDED AN APPLICATION AND PLANNING CONTRACT RELATED TO A RESILIENT COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANT.

Mike Weempe made a motion to adopt Resolution 191 awarding an application and planning contract for the Resilient Communities program grant. **Shirley Thomas** seconded the motion. **5 Ayes 0 Nays**

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER GETTING **DEBIT CARDS FOR WATER ACCOUNT AND GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT** TO STOP TRANSFERRING FUNDS DUE TO CREDIT CARD ONLY FOR GENREAL FUND. CREDIT CARD TO BE USED FOR EMERGENCY ONLY.

Caren Smith made a motion to approve getting debit cards for Water and General Fund to use and save credit card for emergency purchases. **Jay Tidwell** seconded the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON **POSTING ADD FOR MOWING JOB** MUST HAVE THEIR OWN TRACTOR AND BUSH HOG TO MOW LARGE LOTS AROUND CITY.

Mike Weempe made a motion to approve placing ad in Navco Chronicle for bids for mowing contractor to mow large lots in Richland. **Jay Tidwell** seconded the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON **LEXIPOL TO GO OVER CITY ORDINANCES** AND FIND THE MOST CURRENT COPIES OF YEARS' WORTH OF ORDINANCES THAT MAYBE REPEATED OR A MORE CURRENT VERSION.

Jay Tidwell made a motion to have Lexipol go over Ordinances and find the most current copies. **Caren Smith** seconded the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON **POLICE DEPARTMENT HOLIDAY PAY** IF WORKED MAY RECEIVE TIME AND A HALF, IF NOT WORKED STRAIGHT HOLIDAY PAY.

Mike Weempe made a motion to approve the Holiday pay schedule for the Police Department, if an officer works the holiday, he gets time and a half if he does not work it, he will still get regular holiday pay. **Jay Tidwell** seconded the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON **MARIMAR LAZARO BRINGING FOOD TRUCK TO RICHLAND.**

Caren Smith made a motion to have Marimar Lazaro operate her food truck in Richland and finding a place to park on HWY 14 would be best. **Mike Weempe** seconded the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON **PURCHASING WATER AND GATORADE IN BULK** FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mike Weempe made a motion for the Police Department to purchase water and Gatorade in bulk. **Caren Smith** seconded the motion. 5Ayes 0 Nays

OLD ITEMS:

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON CREATING AN **ORDINANCE** REQUIRING ALL RESIDENCE TO HAVE A DRIVEWAY CULVERT.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON **ZONING CHANGE FROM COMMERCIAL TO RESIDENTIAL FOR MADELINE LOPEZ ON MILAM** **TABLED** DUE TO LACK OF INFORMATION FROM MS. LOPEZ.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON A **REPORT FROM 3M FOR METER AT AIRPORT**

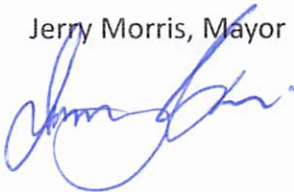
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTING UPON **MR. EDGAR GONZALEZ OPENING A MECHANIC SHOP AT 503 S. I-45 W.**

Mr. Edger Gonzalez was not in attendance at the meeting.

THINGS TO BE PUT ON NEXT MONTHS AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT **Mike Weempe** made a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Caren Smith** seconded the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Jerry Morris, Mayor



Ronda Franks, City Secretary

