



WORKSHOP OF THE GOVERNING BODY RICE, TEXAS

Thursday, March 13, 2025

6:30 p.m.

Rice City Hall

305 N. Dallas Street

Rice, TX 75155

Minutes

- 1. Call to Order Mayor called meeting to order at 6:38 pm**
- 2. Roll Call**

Troy Foreman: Present
Sheila Teague: Present
Rosa Vasquez: Present
Nick White: Present
Donnie P. Fisher: Present
Christi Campbell: Present

Motion to Forego items 3, 4, and 5 made by Donnie P. Fisher and seconded by Nick White.

Ayes: Donnie P. Fisher, Nick White, Troy Foreman, Rosa Vasquez, Sheila Teague

Nays: None

Motion Passed

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance:**
- 4. Texas Pledge of Allegiance**
- 5. Prayer: Donnie P. Fisher**
- 6. Public Forum: None**
- 7. Agenda Items**

a. Discuss the HUB

What future does the council want for the HUB

City staff managing property vs rental management company

The mayor spoke on re-evaluating the use and what we want to do with Hub.

Garry Teague suggested.

- 1- Rent whole Hub to Property Manager
- 2- Turn over to EDC and take a percentage.

Will be on EDCs March agenda to further discuss the legalities and possibilities of becoming Property manager for the Hub.

b. Discuss new language in Employee Manual for Increment Weather, fraternization and adding lieutenant to police employees.

1-Increment Weather

When the city closes the Employees will get paid.

When it is a voluntary decision not to come in before due to weather, employees will use their leave time.

2-Fraternization

After a long discussion the consensus is to not put this item in the handbook.

3- Add lieutenant to police employees.

A Lieutenant will be added to the list of police employees.

Send handbook changes to the Council to vote on.

c. Mini excavator

Decision not to buy a mini excavator.

Look into a larger excavator, backhoe or attachment for tractor.

Renting equipment options.

d. Compensation for the council and mayor for meetings

The decision was made not to send to the City Council for vote.

e. Discuss MDMYA contract and responsibilities.

Meeting will be set up with Mayor, City Administrator and MDMYA to draw up the licensing agreement to present to the City Council for April Meeting.

f. Renew required training (TML website)

Training online is available. Open records, Cyber Security, Public Information

Small town Conference in April

TML Conference in the fall

8. Adjourn: Mayor adjourned at 8:30 pm

Attest:

<u>Sharon Watkins</u>	<u>4/10/25</u>
Sharon Watkins, City Secretary/Finance Clerk	Date