

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY RICE, TEXAS

Thursday, February 13, 2025 6:00 PM Rice City Hall 305 N. Dallas Street Rice, TX 75155

#### **Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order: Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm
- 2. Roll Call
  - a. Sheila Teague: Present
  - b. Rosa Vasquez: Present
  - c. Nick White: Present
  - d. Donnie P. Fisher: Present
  - e. Troy Foreman: Present
  - f. Mayor Christi Campbell: Present
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance: By All
- 4. Texas Pledge of Allegiance: By All
- 5. Prayer: Chief Charles Parson
- 6. Public Forum:

Brandi Solomon: President EDC

Brandi requested that the City Council consider allowing EDC to have one of the rooms in the Hub for the EDC office. This would allow EDC to use the room for their office, after hours' entry, filing, extra space, and meeting area.

Brandi also mentioned that there is an opening on the EDC board and all applicants are welcome.

#### 7. Alderman Updates

Sheila Teague mentioned that the asphalt on Patriot Drive has been ruined by road repairs.

Sheila also asked about an excavator that was being bought by the City. The administrator, Vicki Fisher, stated that it was going to be discussed in a workshop, it had not been purchased.

#### 8. Reports

Motion to Forego the reading of the department reports made by Rosa Vasquez and seconded by Troy Foreman.

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

Nays: None

Motion Passed

- a. January 2025 Volunteer Fire Department Report
- b. January 2025 Police Department Report
- c. January 2025 Municipal Court Report
- d. January 2025 Administrative Report
- e. January 2025 EDC Report
- f. January 2025 Mayor's Report

#### 9. Consent Items

a. Discuss and Deliberate approval of Minutes for Special City Council meeting on January 16, 2025.

Motion to Approve January 16, 2025, Special City Council Meeting made by Rosa Vasquez and seconded by Troy Foreman.

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

Nays: None

Motion Passed

## b. Discuss and Deliberate approval of January 2025 financial report

Motion to Approve January 16, 2025, Financials, 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.

#### 10. New Business

#### a. Discuss and Deliberate Order of Election.

Motion to approve order of Election made by Troy Foreman and seconded by Nick White.

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

Nays: None Motion Passed.

#### b. Discuss and Deliberate Notice of Election.

Motion to Approve Notice of Election made by Rosa Vasquez and seconded by Troy Foreman.

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

Nays: None

**Motion Passed** 

#### c. Discuss and Deliberate approval of Opioid Settlement Resolution

Motion to Approve Opioid Settlement Resolution 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.

## d. Discuss and Deliberate approval of Park and Recreation Resolution on changing meeting day from fourth Monday to fourth Tuesday

Motion to approve moving Parks and Recreation Board meetings from the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday to the 4th Tuesday of every other month, made by Troy Foreman and seconded by Rosa Vasquez.

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

Fisher

Nays: None Motion Passed

e. Discuss and Deliberate a Professional Services Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Rice and Mr. Francisco Estrada for reimbursement of City expenses incurred in having City's property interest adjacent to Sherman Street surveyed and re-platted into two (2) separated parcels of land.

Agenda item 10e Tabled until after the Executive closed meeting.

f. Discuss and Deliberate Police Department buying a Dog Transport Trailer.

Motion to Approve the purchase by the Police Department of an animal transport Trailor and Box made by Nick White and seconded by Sheila Teague.

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

Motion Passed

g. Discuss and Deliberate the use of oil sand on Jefferson Street.

Motion to table until March 2025 meeting. Vicki to contact developer about sharing the expense of repairing this road, made by Donnie P. Fisher, and seconded by Troy Foreman.

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

Nays; None

Motion Passed

| h. | Discuss and Deliberate to direct Chief of Police to assign and provide a  |
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|    | minimum of one police officer for the purpose of directing traffic at the |
|    | McKinney/Calhoun (By Harmony Bank/Shell station) Tuesday through          |
|    | Friday of each week froma.m. toa.m. and fromp.m. to                       |
|    | p.m. located  |

Motion to direct the Chief of Police to assign and provide a minimum of one police officer for the purpose of directing traffic at the McKinney/Calhoun (By Harmony Bank/Shell station) Tuesday through Friday of each week from 7:20 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. and from 4:10 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. located at FM 1126 service road clover, when schools are in session made by Donnie P. Fisher and seconded by Troy Foreman.

Ayes: Donnie P. Fisher, Troy Foreman, Sheila Teague

Nays: Rosa Vasquez, Nick White

Motion Passed

#### 11. Old Business

a. Discuss and Deliberate the repair of the replacement lawnmower.

Motion to determine the mower will be salvaged. To be donated to MDMYA to be used at the park. The city will pay \$1000.00 to go toward the repair of said mower upon documentation of the repairs, made by Donnie P. Fisher and seconded by Sheila Teague.

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

Nays: None

Motion Passed.

12. The Rice City Council will convene and go into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071: Consultation with City Attorney to seek legal advice regarding the following items:

Recessed to go into Closed Executive session at 7:17 pm. The closed session began at 7:24 pm.

- a. Council, Mayor and City Administrator legal roles; and
- b. Potential conveyance of portion of City property interest along Sherman Street to Francisco Estrada
- 13. The Rice City Council will reconvene into the Regular Session and take any action required as a result of the Executive Session.

Regular Session of the City Council reconvened at.7:55 pm. Re-open Agenda item 10e for Discussion and deliberation.

Motion to deny the agreement between the City and Mr. Francisco Estrada made by Troy Foreman and seconded by Nick White.

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

Teague

Nays: None

Motion Passed.

### 14. Motion of Adjourn

Adjourned at 7:57 pm By Mayor Christy Campbell

Attest:

Sharon Watkins, City Secretary/Finance Clerk

Date

3-13-24

