

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
RINCON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 11, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
107 W. 17TH STREET
7:00 PM**

Councilmembers Present:

Paul Wendelken
Reese Browher
Levi Scott, Jr. – Arrived at 7:07 PM
James Dasher
Christi Ricker
Ann Daniel

Present:

Ken Lee, Mayor
Wanda Simmons, Interim City Manager
Raymond Dickey, City Attorney
Dulcia King, City Clerk
Tim Bowles, Public Works Director
Josh Williams, Lost Plantation Golf Course

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. The Invocation was given by Councilmember Browher and the Pledge to the Flag was recited.

Approval of the agenda with the removal of item #4; R. B. Baker Construction requests payment of Pay Request #3 for Hwy 21 ROW Improvements, in the amount of \$696,754.42. LI# 70.4430.4412

Motion to approve: Councilmember Daniel
Second: Councilmember Dasher
Vote: Unanimous

Approval of the June 20, 2016 minutes:

Motion to approve: Councilmember Ricker
Second: Councilmember Wendelken
Vote: Unanimous

Approval of the June 27, 2016 minutes with the noted changes:

Vote on the approval of the June 13, 2016 minutes Councilmember Dasher abstained.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Dasher
Second: Councilmember Daniel
Vote: 4 to 2, Councilmember Scott and Councilmember Ricker abstained

Old Business:

1. Second Reading on petition filed by Richard and Michelle Taylor requesting approval of the rezoning of a 0.82 acre property from R-4 Residential to OC-Office and Commercial Use for an existing business on the site. The property is located at 110 Weisenbaker Road and is owned by Richard and Michelle Taylor (Map # R209-6D00).

This was on the June 27, agenda. Councilmember Wendelken abstained from the vote and there were not enough votes for a quorum for the June 27, 2016 meeting.

Motion to approve the rezoning : Councilmember Daniel
Second: Councilmember Scott
Vote by Council: 5 to 1, Councilmember Wendelken abstained

New Business:

1. Request to accept Quit Claim Deed from The Kroger Co. for 4.34 acres (Tract 5).

Attorney Dickey said this is part of the water sewer agreement. It is the property behind Tractor Supply and the portion that was left of property Kroger brought. The uplands are on south side straight behind Tractor Supply.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Daniel
Second: Councilmember Ricker
Vote by Council: Unanimous

2. HHNT Consulting Engineers requests approval of pay request #6 in the amount of \$9,023.00, for engineering services associated with the Lower Floridan Well project. LI# 40.6260.4418

Brant Lange was present. Last month they received all the funding reports and the application and submitted those to EPD. This pay request is also for the subcontractors that did the mechanical and electrical. Councilmember Scott asked about staff approval, Mrs. Simmons informed him that this was an agenda item that LaMeisha Kelly added. There was discussion on the foundation and Councilmember Scott said that was one of the main concerns due to the condition of soil.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Ricker
Second: Councilmember Dasher
Vote by Council: Unanimous

3. P. C. Simonton requests approval of Pay Request #6 in the amount of \$680.00, for engineering services associated with the WWTP Headworks replacement. LI# 50.7280.4411

Motion to approve: Councilmember Scott
Second: Councilmember Ricker
Vote by Council: Unanimous

4. R. B. Baker Construction requests payment of Pay Request #3 for Hwy 21 ROW Improvements, in the amount of \$696,754.42. LI# 70.4430.4412

Removed from the agenda.

5. Relocation of city funds to another local bank to earn better interest rates.

Mrs. Simmons told council this is in regards to packets that were passed out several weeks ago, this is one of the proposals from three different banks. Councilmember Daniel mentioned this seems to be a lot more secure. Mrs. Simmons said the majority of things are all inclusive in the quote. Councilmember Daniel asked if Emgov will be able to interact with them at a later time.

Motion to approve moving City funds to Ameris Bank: Councilmember Scott
Second: Councilmember Daniel
Vote by Council: Unanimous

6. Administrative Reports:

City Manager – No written report.

City Engineer – Alec Metzger gave Council an update on projects; The LMIG road paving project contracts are signed; he is waiting on the signed contracts from the City for the 9th Street water main extension project; the sidewalk project preliminary plans are ready and he will drop them off to staff; he has looked at the Kroger Hwy 21 work with DOT, and they have placed orange cones at the left turn lane on median where it is very steep; Richland Avenue work needs to be finished or they would discuss damages, by tomorrow they will give updated prices. Mayor Lee asked about the equipment on Lexington Avenue, Mr. Metzger said they had a pre final meeting with the contractor and told Mayor Lee the site looks pretty good now. Councilmember Browher asked if the Hwy 21 project would be finished by the start of school.

Water/Sewer/Public Works – Tim Bowles said the street sweeper is on the street and they are trying to get up storm debris in the subdivisions. Mayor Lee asked, how it is working out, Mr. Bowles said it is working great, and is 150 times better than what the contractor was doing.

Lost Plantation – Josh Williams informed Council play has picked up and he is looking forward to the continuing trend.

Mayor and Council – Councilmember Dasher thanked the staff for their participation in the 4th of July celebration. Mr. Bowles mentioned the fireworks were twice as good as Tybee Island.

Payton Moxley, Lost Plantation resident, told Council the course is in good shape. He would like to see about doing a covered dish dinner on July 23 or July 30 to welcome Josh Williams. Mr. Williams said it could be a Lost Plantation open house. They could invite people to come see the course. Mr. Moxley also wanted to know if Council could look at a date to meet with residents again.

7. Executive session to discuss personnel, pending litigation, attorney client privilege, and real estate.

Motion: Councilmember Scott
Second: Councilmember Dasher
Vote by Council: Unanimous

Motion to return to meeting: Councilmember Browher
Second: Councilmember Dasher
Vote by Council: Unanimous

8. Follow the statutes of executive session, to put on file an executive session affidavit and resolution.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Daniel
Second: Councilmember Scott
Vote by Council: Unanimous

9. Take any action that is needed on the items from executive session.

No action taken.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn: Councilmember Ricker
Second: Councilmember Browher
Vote by Council: Unanimous