



**CITY OF RINCON
OFFICIAL MINUTES
RINCON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2018
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
107 W. 17TH STREET
7:00 PM**

Councilmembers Present:

Reese Browher
James Dasher
Levi Scott, Jr.
Kevin Exley

Councilmembers Absent:

Paul Wendelken
Ann Daniel

Present:

Ken Lee, Mayor
Raymond Dickey, City Attorney
Dulcia King, City Clerk
Phillip Scholl, Police Chief
Pete Smith, Asst. Fire Chief
LaMeisha Hunter Kelly, City Planner
Tim Bowles, Public Works Director
Tommy Kee, WWTP Director
John Williams, Golf Course Manager

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 PM. The Invocation was given by Councilmember Scott and the Pledge to the Flag was recited.

Approval of the agenda:

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

Approval of the February 12, 2018 minutes with the following correction:

Under new business item one Ms. was spelled incorrectly.

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

Old Business:

1. Request to approve amended Council General Policies. (Tabled at the 2/12/2018 meeting)

Motion to remove from table: Councilmember Scott
Second: Councilmember Exley
Vote by Council: Unanimous

Mrs. Kelly requested this item remain on the table until the March 12, 2018 meeting.

Motion to table: Councilmember Exley
Second: Councilmember Dasher
Vote by Council: Unanimous

New Business:

1. Approval of a Resolution to update the signature cards for the City of Rincon Ameris Bank accounts.

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

2. Request to approve a resolution to approve the Second Modification of GEFA Loan CW16001 (WWTP Headworks project).

Marcus Sack said they are done with the Headworks project, but not all of the money has been withdrawn about 15% payout is remaining. Because of this GEFA automatically requires them to do a loan modification, which basically renewing the laon and delaying the payback period. This is standard practice. Mr. Sacks gave a summary of where they are with the loan. Councilmember Dasher asked how long the loan will stay open, Mr. Sack said until August.

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

3. Caldwell Tanks, Inc requests approval of Pay Request #5 in the amount of \$58,412.34, for Lower Floridan Wellhouse and Main project. LI# 40.6260.4419.

Brant Lane said this primarily covers the painting that has been complete. The contractors are well ahead of their schedule.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Dasher

Second: Councilmember Exley

Vote by Council: Unanimous

4. PINCO requests approval of Pay Request #10 in the amount of \$154,449.00, for Lower Floridan Wellhouse and Main project. LI# 40.6260.4418

Mr. Lane said this is for the road and finishing up some of the piping inside the building and yard piping. Mr. Lane did inform Council that the contractor is dragging a little and is several weeks behind. Final completion is March 27 and he will be real close. They have submitted a letter requesting an extension but he is not agreeing to that. Mayor Lee said he would like to see a score card on this company. Councilmember Dasher asked did we delay him when the painting of the tank was being done, Mr. Lane said no. Councilmember Scott said his only concern is we need to watch performance and quality closely.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Scott

Second: Councilmember Dasher

Vote by Council: Unanimous

5. PINCO requests approval of Change Order #3 for a net deduct \$286.92, for a total contract cost of \$1,160,252.58. LI# 40.6260.4418

Mr. Lane said he needs to make a change on this item instead of a net deduct this will be a net increase of \$538.22 for a total cost of \$1,161,077.72. The reason is for adjusting some of the unit price quantities. Councilmember Browher said he would like to know line by line. If we owe them money we want to pay, but when will we take a stand and push back. Mr. Lane explained the changes: the first is a change to the outside piping this will improve the safety of the system so we don't have any backflow; a coupling was changed to a shorter coupling that was more expensive; a 30 feet more of PVC pipe; material for pipes; the next is a decrease in price, they put in 15 inch instead of 24 inch headwall; electrical conduit; and the last two are decreases of unit price.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Scott

Second: Councilmember Dasher

Vote by Council: Unanimous

6. HHNT Consulting Engineers requests approval of pay request #18 in the amount of \$2,894.01, for engineering services associated with the Lower Floridan Well project. LI# 40.6260.4418 and #40.6260.4419

Motion to approve: Councilmember Scott

Second: Councilmember Dasher

Vote by Council: Unanimous

7. Request approval to pay Tyler Technologies \$1,600.00 for additional equipment.

Motion to table until the March 12, 2018 meeting: Councilmember Dasher

Second: Councilmember Scott

Vote by Council: Unanimous

8. Request approval to contract with Regal Chemicals for a Greens Fertility Program at Lost Plantation Golf Course.

Mr. Williams said the maintenance budget is \$41,000 and he expects it to be lower by the end of the year, with good weather and this fertility program we should be able to save money in other areas. Mr. Williams said this not necessarily a contract it is a pre purchase of bulk chemicals. This is a really good product and he received three price quotes and Regal Chemicals was the best cost overall if you include shipping, the cost will be 25% off by purchasing two bulk shipments. There was some discussion on the cost of the chemicals \$8,300 and the cost of the application of the chemicals \$7,000. Mayor Lee told Mr. Williams Council is trying to understand what the final cost will be, if there are other cost involved Council will need to know. Councilmember Exley asked if the \$8,300 for the chemicals was a once a year cost Mr. Williams said it will be broken down into two payments. Attorney Dickey asked if this was a unique product that would allow us to by past the bid process. Councilmember Browner asked what the lowest quote was, Mr. Williams said \$6,900 but it would be less applications and did not include shipping. Mr. Williams is recommending not using the lowest quote because Regal Chemicals was the best and most reasonable quote in the long run, it is more application and shipping is free.

Motion to approve the purchase of chemicals from Regal Chemicals: Councilmember Scott

Second: Councilmember Exley

Vote by Council: Unanimous

9. Request approval to pay CedarChem, LLC \$14,036.80. LI #50.7280.3312

Mr. Kee said this is the third time we brought this chemical in bulk; this company has saved us money by buying in bulk. This is a one of a kind product.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Scott

Second: Councilmember Dasher

Mayor Lee asked how long this product will last, Mr. Kee said about four months.

Vote by Council: Unanimous

10. Administrative Reports:

Chief of Police – Chief Scholl said he had conversation Kim Dennis from Effingham Herald and they talked about possibly putting on a Public Safety Day, it would entail bringing all of

the public safety entities. They would like to use Freedom Park. It would not be a money making venture, this would be a community outreach program scheduled for May 19 for about four to five hours.

Chief Scholl also mentioned that Savannah PD reached out to him with a mutual aid agreement to help out with St Patrick's Day Parade. There was discussion on mutual aid agreements and worker's compensation. Mayor Lee asked Chief Scholl did he have any concerns, he said no. Chief Scholl said the mutual aid falls under Georgia law. Councilmember Browner asked would there be anything in writing; Attorney Dickey said they sent a mutual aid request and not a contract. This will be just for the parade.

Fire Department – Asst. Chief Smith said tomorrow night they have a Life Star event at Station 4, they will bring in the helicopter and review everything; on the 13th of March they have GP; also they have six or seven new guys starting.

Building/Zoning Dept. – Mrs. Kelly said on Friday she, Mike and Wes met with Brad Carr from the Chamber about Oktober Fest. He will go to the Chamber Tourist Committee and they will come up with an idea within sixty days on what they would like to see the City of Rincon do in terms of assisting with the Oktober Fest; Also on Friday they are looking at having a meeting with the government entities and the Health Department about what the Health Department permits and their regulations; She reminded Council about the workshop with the County and the event on Thursday at the Career Academy; she gave an update on Popeye's. They will have their Health Department inspection in on Wednesday, will start training on March 5th, the soft opening is scheduled for March 18th, and they will open March 19th. Closer to the date she will have a meeting with the owner and Police Chief because they will need assistance with traffic. Councilmember Dasher asked about the 7th Street warehouse, Mrs. Kelly said the owner will appear before Council on March 12th, they had to issue a ten day notice.

Bernard Martin asked about potholes at the Shopping Centers in the City, Mrs. Kelly said because of the code enforcement process they we will need to send certified letters. Travis Grubbs is working on it.

Water/Sewer/Public Works – Mr. Bowles said Craig Mathis has submitted resignation effective March 9th.

Wastewater – Mr. Kee said the are continuing working with MBR's to get them squared away; the internal reuse water is working well but there are a couple of issues on how to handle the rags and grit; also there is a main break under the road that is preventing him from cranking up some pumps, this will need to be addressed; Mayor Lee asked are we able to meter the water going to Golf Course now, Mr. Kee said that he was unaware that there was a Mag meter that metered the water that goes only to the Golf Course pond the meter he was looking at metered everything; The numbers provided have been solid numbers but the Mag meter is more accurate.

Lost Plantation – Mr. Williams said he is very happy with the way things are going; they are still looking for a mechanic; he has equipment that is budgeted this year and needs direction on how to do bids.

Mayor and Council – Councilmember Scott asked was handouts available to residents on the trash schedule, Mrs. King said yes the front counter hands out calendars. He mentioned that we need to express the times that the cans need to be off the curb, and also said we need to address trash cans being left on the side of the road on the weekends.

Councilmember Browher asked were we still moving along with Ridgewood, Mr. Bowles said the final agreement has been signed; he will get with the contractor to see how they are going to handle it.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn: Councilmember Scott

Second: Councilmember Dasher

Vote by Council: Unanimous