



**City Council Meeting
Minutes
Special Session
March 31, 2010 – 6:30 P.M.**

Rhome City Hall
105 First Street
Rhome, TX 76078

Council Present: Mayor Mark Lorance; Mayor Pro Tem David E. Wilson; Council Members: Chris Moore, Jo Ann Wilson, Shannon Jones and Charles Pennington.

Staff Present: Ramah Burns, City Secretary

1. Remodel – Red Brick Building

Mayor Lorance said they had Gerry McBride to do the estimate. They got the estimate done, they came back with the estimate and the council said ok. They approved the dollar amount to go forward to remodel the red brick building. Somewhere it got off kilter. He said he called the meeting to pull everyone back together and get this back on the right track. He said the council has approved \$5,600.

Gerry McBride said the major expense was to tear out the wall and run the gas line to the hot water heater and range. He purchased cabinets and range.

Mayor Lorance said they have cabinets there and there is a chance to get better cabinets, oak versus particle board. He asked if Gerry had a issue with the better cabinets.

Gerry McBride said the issue is what is going on behind the scenes. He asked several times what the scope was and he repeated it several times. He said the scope has changed. He said the cabinets that are there was agreed to by the committee.

Gerry McBride said he is sorry he volunteered again. This is twice. He said in the meetings they talk about each other and put each other down.

Mayor Lorance said he appreciated him volunteering and they don't want to discourage anyone from volunteering. He said when we give somebody a job he likes to support them to get the job done.

Gerry McBride said he wanted to wish them well. He said he didn't want anything to happen now like what happened two (2) years ago. He said he wouldn't be a part of that and he was done.

Jo Ann Wilson said they can return what they bought from Lowe's, they can buy better cabinets and they need to appreciate the time they spent on this.

Mayor Lorance said he appreciates them trying to save the money but if we can get better cabinets and more of them. He asked about the stove what's up with it.

Ronnie Moore said it is too light and the rack in the oven flexes. He said they need a bigger one. Boyd and Roanoke have a two (2) ranges or a double oven. The ladies want something big enough to cook on.

Mayor Lorance said we need to find a happy medium. He said he would like it to be nice as possible for the money we have allocated to spend on it.

Gerry McBride said he was done.

Mayor Lorance asked who in the room would like to take Gerry's place and head this committee up.

Charles Pennington said he thinks they need to let the committee run with it and ask Jo Ann Wilson if she would ride herd on it.

Jo Ann Wilson said she didn't mind but she didn't know construction. She said she will have a lot of questions to ask. She said she thinks Gerry and Sandra McBride knows that they appreciate everything they have done.

David Wilson said Gerry McBride did what he thought his instructions were. He did what he was told to do. Where we failed as the council was to put together a group that could maybe an advisory to that committee to tell them what these older people need, how they want the configuration. Gerry took what his instructions were and he did what he was told to do. We may not have given him enough input on the on set of this.

Charles Pennington asked if they could get the committee to go down with Marie Moore and Dorothea Norman and the ladies that are going to be using it need to be involved.

Mayor Lorance asked Jo Ann Wilson to pull the committee together, talk with everybody, you have \$2,100. He said keep the \$5,600 as a target. Get a specific dollar amount and a list of all that you need before the April 8th council meeting.

2. Motion by Chris More to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Jo Ann Wilson.

Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

CERTIFICATION:

Passed and approved on this 8th, April, 2010.

Mark Lorance
Mayor

Ramah Burns
City Secretary