

REDDICK TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
October 3, 2019

**MINUTES**

The Reddick Town Council met in regular session on Thursday, October 6, 2019, at the Community Building at 7:30 PM

**PRESENT:**

Steven Rogers, Council President  
Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk

William Pulliam, Councilman  
William Willis, Councilman  
Michael Salter, Councilman  
Thomas Joyner, Councilman

**ABSENT:**

James Stroup, Mayor

**GUESTS:**

Dick Gerard            Pam Gerard  
Katrina Lamar        Alphonso Lamar  
Mike Sh (name not legible)

Dep. Tim Ogletree  
Albert Rager

Lucy Ward  
Caleb Rager

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Council President Steven Rogers, who gave an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

- Minutes of the Sept 5, 2019, meeting were reviewed and with no corrections being made, Councilman Pulliam made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, and Councilman Salter seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The financial statement for the month of Sept, 2019, was presented. Income exceeded expenses by \$2198 and as of Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, income exceeded expense for the year by \$244,000. The Raymond James Statement for September has not been received. Councilman Joyner made motion that we accept the financial report as presented and Councilman Willis seconded the motion. Motion carried, pending audit.

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:**

Lt. Nichols was unable to attend the Council meeting, but Deputy Ogletree reported that because of added duty responsibilities due to President Trump's presence in Marion County, a report was not ready. Council President Rogers again expressed concern about the discharge of automatic weapons in a residential area and the explosions at the same residence of tannerite. Deputy Ogletree asked if there was a Town ordinance concerning discharging weapons. Council President Rogers responded that there was some wording in the Town Charter but there was a noise ordinance. The tannerite explosions can be felt for several blocks away. Deputy Ogletree said that as soon as the weapons' firing can be heard the sheriff's department should be called so they can address it while it is happening. Councilman Joyner also reported that juveniles are riding two wheel scooters and four-wheelers on the streets and shooting across CR25A in the area of Dollar General without

stopping. Someone is going to be hurt. Lucy Ward commented that school buses are running the stop sign at CR 316 and CR 25A. We will call the school transportation so that they can observe the buses and address the issue before calling it in to the Sheriff's Dept. Councilman Pulliam asked why there is not a flashing traffic light at that intersection. There is one at Lowell and one at McIntosh and there is much more traffic at the CR 316 intersection. Also, there is a school and additional school traffic. Dep. Ogletree said that that came under the jurisdiction of the DOT and they should be contacted to make a traffic study.

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

Mayor Stroup contacted Jeff Ball about the Kipfer property being hooked up to electricity without a permit and has not heard back.

### **ROADWORK:**

Roads will be graded again October 30<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Pulliam spoke with Mike Salter and James Andrews about a tree that had fallen down on NW 57<sup>th</sup> Court. Donnie Cassidy has been contacted to remove it. The survey has been done mapping Cypress Street. Fence posts were in the road and will need to be moved. The owner has been notified. We need to get bids to clear road and grade it to access the road. A big oak tree needs to be either moved or limbed up so that trucks can get through. Council President asked if we were going to grade to the tree line and stop or go all the way to the next road. The consensus of the Council seemed to lean toward taking the road through and removing trees necessary. We will need to add the road to the agreement with the County to be graded quarterly. Councilman Willis and Councilman Salter want to open from NW 155<sup>th</sup> to NW 157<sup>th</sup> and get bids to open the road and grade it. Councilman Joyner made a motion to clear the road and get bids and Councilman Willis seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Councilman Pulliam will get bids.

### **STREET LIGHTS:**

Light on NW 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue at old jail is out and light on NW 41<sup>st</sup> is continuously on.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **AL AND KATRINA LAMAR SPECIAL USE PERMIT:**  
Surveys have been done and the only thing we need is a site plan for the mobile home. They will bring to next Council meeting. In the meantime, they will clear area and get it ready..
- **HISPANIC CHURCH SIGN:**  
Mayor Stroup has tried to communicate with church, but they do not speak English. A neighbor is trying to make them understand. We will contact County this month if necessary.
- **PARKING IN FRONT OF ANTIQUES STORE:**  
We will need to contact Sheriff's Dept.
- **FUNKEY HOP PEN & CHICKEN COOP:**  
Albert Rager was present and was supposed to bring a certified copy of his surveyed property per last two Council meetings. Mr. Rager did not have one. He did bring a

copy of Mr. Funkey's survey and maintains there is not enough room for the coop or pen. Council President Rogers stated that we still need a certified copy of his survey. Mr. Rager stated that we do not need one because there is not enough room by looking at Mr. Funkey's survey. He continued to say that he was still waiting on his survey. Councilman Rogers responded that we cannot make a determination where the property lines are until we get the survey from him. We cannot take any action until then. Mr. Rager became abusive and promptly left the meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Abandoned Buildings:**

Mike S asked about abandoned buildings/unsafe structures he has seen in the area. Council President explained that the Town gives notice for unsafe structures. If no action is taken by owner, then it is turned over to the County and the owner is fined. It is not always feasible for the Town can assume costs of demolition and place a lien on the property when that cost is more than the property is worth. Mike S then asked about burning debris in Town limits. Council President stated that a burn permit is required for piles over 10 feet. Also, during dry conditions, he would need to check with County for bans.

- Councilman Pulliam asked about Duke Energy installing smart meters in Reddick. Rumors are that they are unsafe and can cause cancers and other health problems. He is also concerned about inflated electric bills. Can we check into it? Council President Rogers answered that they are going to have the new meters eventually and all meters will be going to smart meters. It is the future.
- Lucy Ward asked about a dog that it tied in the yard most of the day at the corner of NW 152nd St and NW 41st Terrace.

All business being finished, the meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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James R. Stroup, Mayor

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Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk