

Reddick Town Council Meeting  
November 7, 2019

MINUTES

Reddick Town Council met in regular session on Thursday, November 7, 2019, at the Community Building.

PRESENT:

James R. Stroup, Mayor	Michael Salter, Councilman
Steven Rogers, Council President	Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk
Thomas Joyner, Councilman	William Pulliam, Councilman
William E. Willis, Councilman	

GUESTS:

Dick Gerard	Pam Gerard	Jeannette Pulliam	Lucy Ward
Lt. April Nichols	Alphonso Lamar	Katrina Lamar	Michael Shannon

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

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

- Minutes of the October, 2019 meeting were reviewed and with no corrections being made, Councilman Pulliam made a motion to accept minutes as presented, and Councilman Joyner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The financial statement for the month of October, 2019, was presented. Expenses exceeded income by \$-2,307.15, giving us a negative figure for the month. This was due to the payment of our annual insurance premium. Raymond-James Statement has not yet been received. Councilman Pulliam made a motion that the financial report be accepted as presented, and Councilman Salter seconded the motion. Motion carried, pending audit.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

Lt. Nichols reported that her district area has been increased again but that she was not given additional deputies. Her district is now 400 square miles. She has requested additional help, but as yet has not heard. There is a new system for tracking incidents and it is currently not as efficient as the old system. They are working on improving areas. Where she was able to pull up incidents per section, the new system will not allow her to do so. She must pull up her entire district and sort through the incidents address by address for a report. She only saw three incidents for Reddick for Oct, and all of them were thefts. Lt. Nichols has not been able to catch activity on NW157th and NW48th Ave. Councilman Salter stated that they are still congregating and it usually begins around 10:00am. There is a lot of drug activity going on. Council President Rogers told her there are no "no trespassing" signs currently as they keep taking them down. There is a letter on file at Sheriff's Department requesting no trespassing. Of the signs that the Sheriff's Dept. posted about crime watch. only one remains. She will try to have someone out again.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

KIPFER PROPERTY: It appears that electricity has been restored to workshop on property even though it does not meet building code. A permit was issued by County.

KOST HOG PEN: Mr. Rager has not furnished a certified survey as of this date. The issue will continue to be tabled until it is received.

ALPHONSO & KATRINA LAMAR: Special Use Permit has been received from Laquanda Lamar-Poole and Katrina Lamar to place a mobile home on property located on Gatrell Bros. block 5, lots 30 and 31. Mr. and Mrs. Lamar presented a survey of the property with the site plan. They are planning to put a 60 x 28 foot mobile home on the property. All paperwork was in order and Councilman Willis made a motion to take the item off the table and Councilman Salter seconded the motion. Councilman Joyner made a motion to issue the special use permit to the Lamar's and Councilman Salter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **ROADWORK:**

Because of the amount of rain we have had, some of the roads are very rough. They were last graded on July 30th and are not due again until October 30th. A letter for grading has been sent. Intersection views at the corner of NW 155th and NW 41st and the views at CR 316 and NW 42nd Terrace are being blocked by mulberries growing on the county roads. We will contact the County. Also where you turn onto NW 44th Ave Rd from NW 155th going north the view is blocked. This is a dangerous situation because of school buses trying to see.

The street sign at corner of NW 155th St and NW 41st Avenue is down and damaged. Also the stop sign is down. The speed limit sign going south just before the town limit is down.

The road through the Wheeler property has been surveyed.

### **STREET LIGHTS:**

There is a street light out on NW 48th Avenue, pole no. 475337. This will be reported.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **HISPANIC CHURCH SIGN ON 25a:**

The sign has been moved.

- **EXPLOSIONS AND GUN FIRE IN TOWN LIMITS:**

There have been no more tannerite explosions since letter was sent to Mr. Smith.

- **ROAD THROUGH WHEELER PROPERTY:**

Two bids have been received for roadway through Wheeler property. Road is to be 20 feet wide and trees limbs up enough for the garbage truck to pass through.

Bid received from Jason Perry: Clear area and open road and limb up trees - \$5,500.00

Bid received from Donnie Cassidy: Clear area and open road and limb up trees and disk area to level - \$6,300.00

Discussion: If road not plowed, it will be a rough ride, especially for garbage truck. The difference in bids is \$800 and it will cost more than \$800.00 to get someone to come in with their equipment and disk. Councilman Willis stated if we awarded the job to Donnie Cassidy we would not have to worry about finding someone to disk. He then made a motion to award the job to Donnie Cassidy. Councilman Salter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Councilman Pulliam will notify Donnie Cassidy that he has the job .

- **SMART METERS:**

After talking with Duke Energy, everything will be changed to using the smart meters for electrical. If you do not want a smart meter, you will need call Duke Energy and a \$15.00 a month charge will be added to your electric bill for someone to come out and read your meter. Councilman Pulliam stated that the new meters reported more activity than normal for him and he called and received a credit. All meters, the old ones and the smart ones, are 900 mhz . The electric company is only responsible for meter, meter can, etc. is responsibility of owner. If you experience surges, call the electric company and they will come out one time to check .

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **TABLES AND CHAIRS FOR COMMUNITY CENTER:**

Many of our tables have been broken or are in need of repair. Tables are being mistreated. Welds are broken and bolts are missing. Councilman Pulliam said he would ask Braddock or Wilson in Williston if they would weld. Council President said he felt it would be cheaper to buy new ones than go to Williston. We will need them in the next two weeks for the Community Thanksgiving. Councilman Willis stated that we could always use five more tables even if we get the others repaired. Chairs are \$39/ea and tables on sale are \$49.00. Councilman Joyner made a motion to purchase five more tables and Councilman Willis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- **FLOORS IN COMMUNITY CENTER NEED WAXING:**

The chairs have scraped the finish on the floors and tables have been dragged across the floors. They are in need of waxing. We will contact the ladies at the prison who do the lawn to see if they are available to wax the floors and when. If they are not available soon, Council President has the number of someone locally who we could contact.

- **TRASH CANS AND LID PLUGS:**

Council President Rogers ordered more trash totes. We have also requested 12 lids and 12 plug sets to repair lids from broken totes.

- **WELL CONTAMINATION:**

We have heard nothing more than the state on the well contamination issue from the Fire College.

All business being finished, the meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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James R. Stroup, Mayor

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Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk