

Reddick Town Council Meeting
January 2, 2020

MINUTES

Reddick Town Council met in regular session on Thursday, January 2, 2020, 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	Lucy Ward	Michael Mitchell	Julie Willis
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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 December, 2019 meeting were reviewed and with no corrections being made, Councilman Salter made a motion to accept minutes as presented, and Councilman Joyner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The financial statement for the month of December, 2019, was presented. Income exceeded expense by \$6390, giving us a positive figure for the month. Raymond-James Statement has not yet been received. Income exceeded expense for the year, giving us a positive YTD of \$4,694. Councilman Joyner made a motion that the financial report be accepted as presented, and Councilman Willis seconded the motion. Motion carried, pending audit.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

Lt. Nichols was not available for the meeting. Council President asked all present if there were any incidents to report. Lucy Ward reported that she called Sheriff's Dept at 3:00am and again at 4:20am about cars racing through the residential area just before Christmas. No one responded. She stated that a small blue car and a larger white car were racing and fishtailing on the streets. We have not updates as yet on previously reported activity.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Marion County is still working on a Sexual Predator Ordinance. The County is presently rewriting their ordinance and when it is passed, we will be able to have an interlocal agreement like we currently have with Code Enforcement and Animal Control. This will save us a great deal of time and money.

Concerning the hog pen on Thomas Kost's property, it has been requested by complainant that we drop the issue and remove it from the table.

An objection was voiced by Lucy Ward that the Friendship Baptist Church has a bright light that shines into houses causing a problem. Council President will let them know that they need to put a shade on the light.

ROADWORK:

Trimming along CR 316 right-of-way has been given to the County Manager by Comm. Michelle Stone. Also information on caution light at CR25A and CR316. Stop sign and street sign at NW 155th and NW 41st Terr. are still not up.

STREET LIGHTS:

Councilman Salter reported a light out at 44th Ave Rd. and another at NW 48th. He will get the pole number to Mrs. Stroup for reporting.

OLD BUSINESS:

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

We are looking to purchase more plastic chairs, we need about 100-120. We could purchase new chairs from Sam's Club. We will be contacting the surplus warehouse in Starke. Councilman Willis recommended that we move forward with the purchase since we are incurring damage to the floors from chairs we now have. Councilman Willis made a motion that we purchase 100-120 chairs and Councilman Salter seconded the motion. We no further discussion a vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously. Council President Rogers then asked what should we do with old chairs once new ones are purchased. Councilman Salter that that Prince Hall is nearly finished with their renovations and could use the chairs if Council would donate them. Councilman Joyner made a motion to donate the chairs to Prince Hall and Councilman Pulliam seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- **MAINTAINING FLOORS:**

Floors have been waxed and it was recommended that only PH balanced cleaner be used or plain water. It will be added to the rental agreement. To protect the floors, we need to get more chairs with wheels also.

- **FILE CABINETS AND SECURITY LOCKS FOR OLD RECORDS:**

We are looking to purchase more file cabinets with locks to store old records of historical value. We need to also put new locks on storage areas in Comm. Ctr. closets. The large closet in the short hallway needs to be partitioned off so that one half can be used for regular storage and the other half supplied with a lock for old records. We will need to hire someone to build the partition and install locks. Councilman Pulliam recommended Giovanni Petron and Mayor Stroup suggested Mark Chandler. We will get quotes for the work.

- **CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS:**

Council President Rogers and Mayor Stroup will contact Duke Energy to take down Christmas lights.

- **TRIMMING MULBERRIES FROM RIGHT-OF-WAYS:**

The right-of-ways need to be trimmed back. We will need to get bids for work to begin in February, 2020.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **GRADING NEW CLEARED ROAD (Cypress)**

The new road has been disked and seeded so when it is driven on it will be a single lane road. Until we can get right-of-way permission from those who live on the road, it will stay a dirt road.

- **MEIJA CAPITAL:**

Meija Capital has purchased lots across from the Health Clinic on NW 152nd Ln. The lot is 1.49 acres and is zoned R-2. They would like to build three duplexes. We will get clarification from R. Klein concerning the lot. Well and septic must be put in and the County will issue permits and inspections. We met with Santiago Botero and gave him information on all the setbacks, parking, well and septic, as well as permits required from the County. We told him because it is impacting others a Special Use Permit will be required. If the property were ever sold, it must be sold as one parcel.

- **STRAY DOG WITH PUPPIES:**

Lucy Ward reported that there is a stray dog with puppies living until mobile home that belongs to Sandy Cowart.

All business being finished, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James R. Stroup, Mayor

Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk