

TOWN OF REDDICK COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

JANUARY 6, 2022

The Reddick Town Council met in regular session at 7:00pm on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at the Community Building.

PRESENT:

James R Stroup, Mayor
Steven Rogers, Council President
Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk
Martha Cromwell, Councilman Pro Tem
Nadine Stokes, Councilman

ABSENT:

Shirley Youmans, Councilman
Myra Sherman, Councilman

GUESTS:

Fondale Evans, Sr	Cindy Rogers	Dick Gerard	Pam Gerard
Terry Tabor	Lt. Claude McQuaig	Joe Perry	George Stratton
Alphonso Lamar	Thomas Kost	Shannan Kost	

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Rogers, with Mayor Stroup giving an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

- The minutes of the December, 2021, meeting were reviewed. With no corrections being made, Councilman Cromwell made a motion that the minutes be accepted as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilman Stokes. Motion carried unanimously.
- The financial statement for the month of December, 2021, was reviewed. All bills for the month have been paid and income exceeded expense for the month by \$8,267.84 and for the year by \$14,561.09. The Raymond-James statement has not yet been received. Councilman Cromwell made a motion that the financial statement be accepted as presented and Councilman Stokes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously pending audit.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

Lt. McQuaig reported for the month of December, 2021. There were 3 traffic stops, 7 disturbances, 19 security checks, 5 suspicious activity calls. There were a total of 82 calls for service, 25 of which were self-initiated. There was a shooting on NW 42nd Terrace that is an on-going investigation. Council President Rogers asked for assistance with traffic violations. ..

Numbers are increasing with cars and motorcycles racing through streets leaving skid marks. Lt. McQuaig stated that he had made a detail of 3-hour assignments and Reddick is on that list. He will begin having a deputy here maybe once a week for traffic. His is trying to get us help but again he is short-staffed and it is a massive area to cover. Council President added that

over the holiday period, traffic through Town increased tremendously, maybe by 200%. Lt. McQuaig stated he was aware of the increase in traffic and it appeared to be everywhere. He is getting two new deputies.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Council President restated that all Interlocal Agreements are in force and we will follow existing procedures.

ROAD WORK:

Signs on NW 46th have been placed and road is open. Signs at NW 157th are also up as well as the Children at Play sign.

STREET LIGHTS:

Councilman Stokes reported that all street lights are working.

OLD BUSINESS:

COVID UPDATE:

Omicron variant is rampant and Community Center will remain closed.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

Councilman Cromwell reported that we will proceed with steps beginning at next meeting and start public notices.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH:

Debris is still on Town property and has not been picked up. A letter will be written given them final notice. If we must remove debris, we will bill them for incurred expense.

WELLS FARGO ATM:

Mr. Holz has been notified that the proposed site was not acceptable and that the parcel across from the Post Office was a possibility. We have heard nothing further.

RECREATION AREA:

Mr. Franks was not present to report. Council President wanted to clarify that speaking on behalf of the Town to obtain grants was not acceptable. That responsibility will not be turned over to any individual. The acceptance of any agreement or grant for the Town will be the responsibility of the Town Council only.

JUNGLE GARDEN INN SPECIAL USE PERMIT:

Terry Tabor, owner of Jungle Garden Inn, has submitted a Special Use Permit application to serve beer and wine in his restaurant with dine in meals only. Alcohol will not be served alone, but with meals only and there will be a limit so as to not create an over-indulgence problem. There will be no carry-out. Councilman Cromwell made a motion that the Special Use Permit to serve beer and wine with meals as dine-in only be approved. Councilman Stokes seconded the

motion. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Tabor asked about Sunday sales and Council President stated that there were no alcohol sales on Sunday.

NEW BUSINESS:

FONDALE EVANS, SR. SPECIAL USE PERMIT:

Mr. Evans has submitted a Special Use Permit Application to place a used mobile home at NW 178th Place. All paperwork has been completed and is in order and notice was posted on 12/16/2021. Site plan shows that the parcel is 5 ft. short of required zoning and a variance for the shortage will be needed. The paperwork included a thorough inspection report and the original parcel has been divided into two smaller parcels, resulting in the 5 ft shortage. Councilman Stokes made a motion that the application be approved and the variance be allowed. Councilman Cromwell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Evans expressed his appreciation and thanks.

ELECTION QUALIFYING:

Election qualifying for the April 6, 2022 election will be January 25th through January 29th, 2022. In order to run in the election, you must qualify during this time period. The notice will be posted on the website, at the library, at the Community Center, and other locations in Town.

THOMAS KOST:

Mr. Kost had three items he wished to address: 1) Albert Rager is renting his house which adjoins Mr. Kost's property and the renters have dogs which are chasing livestock and children in the area. Council advised Mr. Kost that he can call animal control and report the situation. Under the new interlocal agreement with Animal Control, any resident can call in for service. 2) Mr. Kost also expressed concern about the property on 25A owned by Jason Kipfer. He stated that it is a junkyard and people coming in and out all hours of the night. He asked if it was a business. Mayor Stroup responded that the property is zoned for residence only. Council stated that we received complaints regularly about the noise and activity. The zoning ordinance clearly states that there are to be no junkyards in the town limits and his collection of junk cars seems to be growing. Residents can call Code Enforcement and register their concerns. 3) Mr. Kost stated that his neighbor has and goats and that the chicken coops are on the property line. The goats run free. The neighbor is also putting junk on Mr. Kost's property. Council advised that the chicken coop must be 50 feet from the property line but the goats do not need to be penned. The Town will write a letter to the property owner letting them know of the violations and giving them 30 days to correct the problem.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned oat 7:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk

approved:
James Stroup, Mayor

Date: _____