

Red Oak Town Council Meeting Minutes  
May 13th, 2024, 6:30pm

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**Attendance** – Mayor, Levell Langley

**Council Members:** Tony Bennett, Sandra Russ, Craig New

**Absent:** Scott Briley

**Minutes:** Averil R. Parker

**Media:** Nancy West-Brake, *The Nashville Graphic*

**Public Attendance:** Chad Thompson, Todd Mallory, Zoning Administrator Jackie Johnson

**Call to order:** Mayor Levell Langley

**Opening Prayer:** Commissioner Tony Bennett

**Pledge of Allegiance:** All

**Adoption of Minutes and Financial Statement(s) –**

After a brief discussion of the minutes, a motion to approve the April Minutes was made by Commissioner Sandra Russ and seconded by Commissioner Tony Bennett. **Motion carried (3-0).**

After a brief discussion of the minutes, a motion to approve the April Work Session Minutes was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Craig New. **Motion carried (3-0).**

A financial report was not presented this month.

DFO Sandra Russ informed the Board that a CD was up for renewal and that Southern Bank and 1<sup>st</sup> Bank and Trust of Virginia have the same rates. After some discussion a motion was made to renew the CD with 1<sup>st</sup> Bank and Trust of Virginia by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion Carried (2-0).**

DFO Russ requested that the interest from the CD be donated towards the Teacherage. After some discussion a motion to approve the request was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (2-0).**

**Old Business:**

**Item(s) 1: Earp Property Update**

Mayor Levell Langley presented this item. The cleanup was completed last month and the Town Attorney will be going to court in June to have a lien placed on the property.

**Item(s) 2: 2024 Family Freedom Celebration Update**

Clerk Averil R. Parker updated the Mayor and Commissioners on the progress of the Celebration planning. Clerk Parker informed the Board that everything is good to go, and vendors will be notified next week of their arrival time for the event.

**Item(s) 3: ADA Cement Pad Mayors' Pavilion**

Mayor Langley presented this item. Mayor Langley informed the Board that the project had been completed and it looks good. It took some extra time due to the weather and having to clear some roots from the area.

**New Business:**

**Item(s) 1: Public Input (Limited to Three (3) Minutes Each)**

None.

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**Item(s) 2: Public Hearing for FY 24-25 Budget**

A motion to enter the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Tony Bennett. **Motion carried (2-0)**. The hearing opened at 6:34pm.

No one wished to speak.

A motion to close to the Public hearing was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion carried (2-0)**. The hearing closed at 6:34pm.

**Item(s) 3: FY 24-25 Budget**

The Board had minimal discussion on the item. A motion to approve the FY 24-25 Budget was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion Carried (2-0)**.

**Item(s) 4: Sewer Rates**

DFO Russ presented this item. DFO Russ informed the Board that she spoke with Jonathan Boone of Nash County and that the Town would need to raise sewer rates. After discussion, a motion to raise sewer rates was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (2-0)**.

**Item(s) 5: Red Oak Rotary**

Chad Thompson, current President of the Red Oak Rotary, gave updates on events coming up that the Rotary is involved in. Mr. Thompson requested money from the Town to help with the events as they are beneficial for all of Red Oak. Mr. Thompson thanked the Board for their continued support. After discussion, a motion was made to use the community grant line item for a three-thousand-dollar (\$3,000) sponsorship for the Red Oak Rotary was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion Carried (3-0)**.

**Item(s) 6: Abeyance in regard to Cluster Developments in the Town of Red Oak**

Zoning Administrator Jackie Johnson presented this item. Johnson explained to the Board that after talking with the Planning Board and Chad Meadows of CodeWright Planners this would be the best action by the Town to make sure the Planning Board and Council can work together and make changes to the Cluster Development language in the Land Development and Usage Ordinances. After brief discussion a motion was made by Commissioner New to approve the Abeyance; seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (3-0)**.

**Item(s) 7: Text Amendments**

Zoning Administrator Johnson explained to the Board that there is additional language in the Town's Land Development and Usage Ordinances that need to be reviewed by the Planning Board and will be ready for approval by the next Council Meeting.

**Item(s) 8: LEO Contract Statistic Report**

The Board reviewed the report with brief discussion.

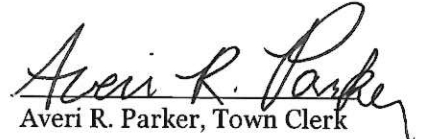
**Other:** None.

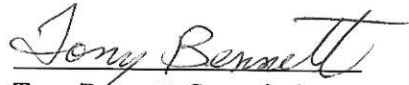
A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (3-0)**. The meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm.

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Averil R. Parker, Town Clerk

  
Tony Bennett, Commissioner

  
Craig New, Commissioner

  
Scott Briley, Commissioner

  
Sandra Russ, Commissioner