Red Oak Town Council Meeting Minutes August 11th, 2025, 6:30pm

Attendance - Mayor, Levell Langley

Council Members: Craig New, Scott Briley, Sandra Russ. Tony Bennett

Absent: None

Minutes: Averi R. Parker

Media: Nancy West-Brake, The Nashville Graphic

Public Attendance: Zoning Administrator Jackie Johnson, Planning/Events Coordinator Carol Cooke, Mary Hadley Rose, Tom Rawlings, Nash County Commissioner Robbie Davis, James Albert Ervin Sr., James Albert Ervin Jr., Caroline Baker, Ray Sykes, Joan Sykes,

Delwin Clark

Call to order: Mayor Levell Langley

Opening Prayer: Commissioner Scott Briley

Pledge of Allegiance: All

Adoption of Minutes and Financial Statement(s) -

After a brief discussion of the minutes, a motion to approve the July Regular Session Minutes was made by Commissioner Scott Briley and seconded by Commissioner Tony Bennett. **Motion carried (4-0)**

Deputy Finance Officer Sandra Russ presented the financial statements. After a discussion of the statements a motion was made by Commissioner Craig New and seconded by Commissioner Briley. **Motion carried (3-0)**

DFO Russ also requested a motion to approve the annual Fire Department allocation. A motion to approve the seventy-five-thousand-dollar (\$75,000) allocation was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (3-0).**

Old Business:

Item(s) 1: 2025 Christmas Festival

Town Clerk Averi Parker explained that she is starting initial Christmas Festival planning and needed an official vote to lower the vendor fees that was previously discussed in a prior meeting. She also explained that the Town had a ton of success with the survey to pick the theme last year and would like to do the same with all the theme suggestions from last year but omitting last year's winning theme.

After discussing, a motion was made by Commissioner Briley to have no fees for the vendors. The motion failed to receive a second. After more discussion, A motion was made by Commissioner New to lower the fees to one hundred dollars for food trucks and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (3-1).** A motion to keep the craft vendor pricing the same was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion carried (3-1).**

New Business:

Item(s) 1: Zoning Map Public Hearing

Zoning Administrator Jackie Johnson went over the recommendation from the Planning Board as well as the zoning map presented. Mayor Levell Langley asked for a motion to enter the public hearing. A motion was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Briley.

Motion carried (4-0). The board entered the public hearing at 6:37pm.

Mr. James Albert Ervin Jr., 2957 Reges Store Rd., asked if his property within the annexation must be R-40 or could it possibly be zoned to agriculture conservation. Zoning Administrator

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Johnson stated that at any time the property owner could come and ask for a rezoning.

No one else present wished to speak on this item. A motion to exit the public hearing was made by Commissioner Briley and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (4-0).** The board exited the public hearing at 6:40pm.

A motion was made by Commissioner New to approve the following recommendation from the Planning Board: Parcels 003212, 002829, 047145, 036705, 036704, 036703, 047144, 004220, 047143, 047141, 039894, 038849, 046511, 036744, 325759, 034867, 019786, 032246, 034872, 034878, 034868, 046966, 034864, 034873, 034876, 034875, 046968, 047680, 034869, 034870, 034871, 046967, 034866, 037040, 032081, 038492, 047976, 047978, 047376, 026465, 047994, 039521, 047182, 046179, 046530, 330970, 106130, 046610, 032061, 103289, 300526, 103286, 342338, 342337, 300528, 046548, 340719, 046062, 102366, 0465590, 046577, 046279, 046900, 316012, 303644, 046175, 046136, 102367 to be zoned RM-40, Parcel 358542 to be zoned B1-CZ and Parcel 0321832 to be zoned B1 and seconded by Commissioner Briley. **Motion carried (4-0).**

Item(s) 2: Public Input

None.

Item(s) 3: Red Oak Area Historic Preservation Society Letter/ Red Oak Classic Sponsorship

Clerk Parker presented the letter that the Red Oak Area Historic Preservation Society requests to put into the Red Oak Classic Ad Book as well as the Red Oak Classic Sponsorship Request. The board confirmed with ROAHPS member Mary Hadley Rose that the sponsorship levels remained the same. After reviewing the ad book letter and a quick discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Sandra Russ to approve the presented ad book letter and a five-thousand-dollar (\$5,000) sponsorship for the Red Oak Classic; seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (4-0).**

Item(s) 4: BoxHause Gym - Delwin Clark

Delwin Clark, owner of BoxHause Gym, presented to the board information on upcoming events. He presented an official 5k that will take place on March 28th and invited everyone to sign up. He also would like for the Town as well as other businesses to help sponsor the 5k. He asked for any sponsorship considerations to be no later than December for planning purposes. Mr. Clark then introduced Carolina Baker to the board as the yoga instructor for an upcoming event on September 13th at Ennis Park. Mr. Clark wanted permission to utilize the Town Seal on the flyer for the event as it is a collaborative project.

After discussion, a motion to approve the Town Seal usage was made by Commissioner Briley and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion carried (4-0).** The board thanked Mr. Clark for coming out.

Item(s) 5: Knights Athletic Club Sponsorship Renewal

Mayor Langley presented the letter from the Knights Athletic Club requesting the sponsorship renewal for the upcoming season. After discussion, a motion to renew the sponsorship at the same level as the previous year (football and basketball) was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Briley. **Motion carried (4-0)**.

Item(s) 6: Nash County Sports Sponsorship

The board reviewed the items presented and after discussing; a motion was made to table the item by Commissioner Briley and seconded by Commissioner New. Motion carried (4-0).

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Item(s) 7: LEO Contract Statistics Report

The board reviewed the report.

Other: Commissioner Briley stated that he would like an update on the new basketball goals going up at Ennis Park by Nash County Parks and Recreation as the Town ordered them months ago. He also stated that there needs to be a timeline on when to update and communication with the Town. Nash County Commissioner Robbie Davis stated that he would reach out on behalf of the Town to the contractor working on this project.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Briley. **Motion carried (4-0).** The meeting was adjourned at 6:51pm.

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Levell Langley, Mayor

Tony Bennett Commissioner

Craig New, Commissioner

Scott Briley, Commissioner

Sandra Russ, Commissioner

[&]quot;Referenced attachments are incorporated herewith and are hereby made a part of these minutes."