

Red Oak Town Council Meeting Minutes
September 8th, 2025, 6:30pm

Attendance – Mayor, Levell Langley

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

Absent: None

Minutes: Averil R. Parker

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

Public Attendance: Zoning Administrator Jackie Johnson, Planning/Events Coordinator Carol Cooke, Mary Hadley Rose, Nash County Commissioner Robbie Davis, Mike Adams, Sherri Williams

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 August Regular Session Minutes was made by Commissioner Craig New and seconded by Commissioner Scott Briley. **Motion carried (4-0)** Commissioner Sandra Russ requested that moving forward that the month of the financial records be recorded.

Deputy Finance Officer Sandra Russ presented the financial statements for the months of June and July. After a discussion of the statements a motion was made by Commissioner Briley and seconded by Commissioner Tony Bennett. **Motion carried (3-0)**

Old Business:

Item(s) 1: 2025 Christmas Festival

Town Clerk Averil Parker wanted to suggest changing the hours and structure of the Christmas Festival. After receiving feedback from vendors and planning she wanted to suggest ending the festival an hour after the parade due to possible weather conditions as well as moving the pictures with Santa to before the parade due to vendors trying to leave and families still waiting in the parking lot. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Bennett for the hours of the Christmas Festival to be 12:00PM to 6:00PM with the parade being held at 4:00PM and the tree lighting at the end of the event; seconded by Commissioner Briley. **Motion carried (4-0)**

Item(s) 2: Red Oak Events/Planning Update

Planning/Events Coordinator Carol Cooke presented the first t-shirt design draft. The Board suggested filling the voids with other businesses in the Red Oak Township. Cooke gave an update on the Pickleball Clinic and Floral Arrangement Class. Currently the beginners' class is full and there are spots still available for intermediate. The Floral Arrangement Class fill up quickly and there is currently a waiting list. Cooke also shared about the Senior Citizen's Day Out event and there are currently 4 people signed up.

New Business:

Item(s) 1: Public Input

Mary Hadley Rose, Member of the Red Oak Area Historic Preservation Society, wanted to say thank you on behalf of ROAHPS for all the Town's help. They had a very successful Red Oak Classic alongside the Red Oak Rotary on the first weekend in September. Ms. Sherri Williams, President of the Red Oak Rotary, shared that they still have BBQ for sale and to contact Chad Thompson or Sam Johnson.

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Item(s) 2: CodeWright Planners Land Use Consultation Memo

Zoning Administrator Jackie Johnson presented this item to the Board. The Town's Land Use book does need to be reformatted for ease of use and the Planning Board sent over two (2) memos for consideration. Johnson presented the memo from Chad Meadows who would reformat the book for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and from Angie Manning who came highly recommended from Mr. Meadows to reformat the book for twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). After lengthy discussion and clarification on what happens during a reformatting and anything outside of that scope would be an additional fee, a motion was made by Commissioner Russ to go with Angie Manning for reformatting the Land Use book and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion carried (4-0)**

DFO Russ stated that she would need a budget amendment for this item. A motion was by Commissioner Briley to approve the budget amendment and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (3-0)**

Item(s) 3: Citizen Sponsorship Request

After careful consideration, the Board has decided not to move forward with funding the sponsorship request. To ensure fairness and consistency in their support, the Board has reaffirmed its commitment to providing funding exclusively to established organizations. A motion was made by Commissioner New to only consider requests from organizations and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (4-0)**

Item(s) 4: Ennis Park Report

The Board reviewed the report.

Item(s) 5: LEO Contract Statistics Report

The Board reviewed the report.

Other: Nash County Commissioner Robbie Davis addressed the Board and gave updates on improvements happening in the area and surrounding parts of Nash County.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Briley and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion carried (4-0).** The meeting was adjourned at 7:02PM.

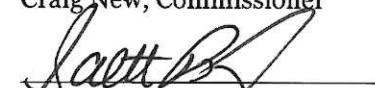
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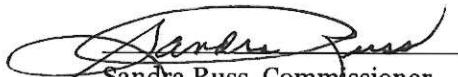

Levell Langley, Mayor


Averil R. Parker, Town Clerk


Tony Bennett, Commissioner


Craig New, Commissioner


Scott Briley, Commissioner


Sandra Russ, Commissioner

"Referenced attachments are incorporated herewith and are hereby made a part of these minutes."