

Red Oak Town Council Meeting Minutes
January 12th, 2026, 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, Mary Tom Bass, Tom Rawlings, Robbie Davis, Mary Hadley Rose, Sherri Williams, Todd Murray, Dana Griffin, Neil Griffin, Beth Blanchard, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Gawin

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 November Regular Session Minutes was made by Commissioner Tony Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Craig New.

Motion carried (4-0)

Finance Officer Sandra Russ presented the financial statements for the month of October. After a discussion of the statements a motion was made by Commissioner Scott Briley and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion carried (3-0)**

Old Business:

Item(s) 1: TOR Annexation Abeyance 2026

The Board reviewed the annual abeyance. After discussion, a motion to approve the 2026 abeyance was made by Commissioner Sandra Russ and seconded by Commissioner Briley.

Motion carried (4-0)

New Business:

Item(s) 1: Public Input

None.

Item(s) 2: Public Hearing: E. Castalia Rd

A motion to enter the Public Hearing for the E. Castalia Rd. property was made by Commissioner Briley and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion Carried (4-0)** Public Hearing started at 6:33pm.

Mayor Levell Langley received the list of those wanting to speak.

Todd Murray, no address provided, stated that he came to the Planning Board meeting on December 23rd and still had some questions pertaining to the conditions that are being considered, if the Town could deny the zoning request, a similar case that happened out in Nash County (Bailey), and soil tests. He then highlighted stormwater issues potentially happening in another neighborhood.

Mayor Langley along with Zoning Administrator Jackie Johnson stated that Stock Engineering did everything requested. Nash County Commissioner Robbie Davis with permission from the Board explained the zoning request from Nash County (Bailey). Commissioner Russ stated that this item needs return back to the Planning Board to see what can be done about the safety of the

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entrance. Commissioner New asked that the Zoning Administrator reach out to the State and Department of Transportation about the entrance. Zoning Administrator Johnson stated that since the request is conditional, the Town can put in conditions. She stated that she spoke with DOT and they follow a formula when it comes to traffic patterns.

No others present wished to speak.

A motion to exit the Public Hearing for the E. Castalia Rd. property was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Briley. **Motion Carried (4-0)** Public Hearing ended at 6:50pm.

A motion was made to send this item back to the Planning Board for an additional review and suggestions for a safety egress turning lane from the neighborhood was made by Commissioner Russ and seconded by Commissioner Briley. **Motion Carried (4-0)**

Item(s) 3: Deans Road Property

Zoning Administrator Jackie Johnson stated that Ms. Pitt reached out about an inherited property she has that she would like to see remain agricultural. She potentially wants the Town to purchase the property to help with that vision of remaining agricultural. Ms. Pitt provided a list of things that the land could potentially be.

Item(s) 4: Red Oak Landfill Use Restriction

The Board reviewed the form and Mayor Langley stated that he spoke with the land remediation coordinator and that it is projected to be completed in February. Commissioner Briley stated that no signs have been placed yet so be sure to place not applicable (N/A) on what the Town has no control over since the property is not in the Town's possession.

Item(s) 5: Red Oak Elementary Request

Zoning Administrator Johnson stated that the elementary school reached out and asked if the Town will donate gift cards for their 100th day celebration. The Board stated that they do budget for a request from the school normally used for a bigger item such as a field trip. If they were to release what is budgeted, they would have to then handle what they use currently and for future fiscal year requests. After additional discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner New to table the item until a bigger request from the elementary school comes in and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. **Motion Carried (4-0)**

Item(s) 6: Red Oak Basketball League Request

The Town has already budgeted for this item. After review and discussion, a motion to approve the request was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Briley. **Motion carried (4-0)**

Item(s) 7: LEO Statistics Report (Nov & December)

The Board reviewed the report.

Other: Commissioner Russ wanted to visit possibly changing the current nuisance complaint form to allow for anonymous reports. The Board discussed. A motion was made by Commissioner Russ to allow for anonymous reports. There was not a second. A motion was made by Commissioner Briley that the nuisance reporting stays the same but with better enforcement and seconded by Commissioner New. **Motion Carried (3-1)**

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A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner New and seconded by Commissioner Briley.
Motion carried (4-0). The meeting was adjourned at 7:04PM.

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Craig New

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Scott Briley

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Sandra Russ

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