Call to order at 6:30 PM

	Levell Langley, Mayor	
Tony Bennett, Mayor Pro Tem		
	Craig New Scott Briley Sandra Russ	
QuorumYesNo		
Call to order: Mayor Langley		
Opening Prayer Pledge of Allegiance		
Review of Minutes: November and December Corrections and Additions: Motion to approve: Second:		
November and December Financial Report(s) Discussion: Motion to approve: Second:		
Old Business:		
Mayor's Pavilion, R.O.S.E Project		
New Business:		
1.	Voluntary Annexation West Hampton Phase II: (Attachment I Resolution) To add parcel ID(s) 046530, 106130, 046610, 103289, 300526, 103286, 300528, 340719, 046062, 342338, 047978, 102366, 046590, 046577, 046279, 046900, 316012, 303644, 046175, and 102367	
2.	Renewal of Maturing CD (Attachment II)	
3.	Revised Audit Contract (Attachment III)	
4.	NCLM Legislative Goal Statements (Attachment IV) - Municipal votes needed for top ten advocacy goals for this region	
5.	Painting of Red Oak Elementary (Attachment V) - Decision to donate artwork to the school on behalf of the town	
6.	LEO Contract Statistics Report (Attachment VI)	
Other:		
Motion to adjourn:		

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Attendance - Mayor, Levell Langley

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

Clerk Shearin was present to record the minutes

Public Attendance: News Reporter, Kendra Jones, Lead for NC Fellow, Averi Parker, Mary

Tom Bass, Thomas Rawlings

Call to order: Mayor Langley

Opening Prayer:Commissioner Bennett **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Langley

Adoption of Minutes and Financial Statement(s) -

Motion to approve November and December minutes made by Commissioner Bennett; seconded by Commissioner New, the motion passed.

Commissioner New asked for clarification on an asset account listed on the statement. There were no other questions resulting in a motion to approve the November and December Financial Statements by Commissioner Briley, seconded by Commissioner Bennett; the motion was carried.

Old Business:

Item(s) 1: Mayor's Pavilion

Clerk Shearin informed the council that the pavilion was complete except for the concrete in front of the stage to make it ADA compliant. This concrete will make sure that all spectators are able to access the stage from the parking lot and view the stage.

Item(s) 2: R.O.S.E Project

Clerk Shearin recommended to the council to appoint an advisory board to be proactive in starting the R.O.S.E Project. This four to eight person non-voting advisory board would visit areas with similar projects and facilities that would be beneficial to Red Oak. Commissioner Briley suggested that Clerk Shearin should select five members and that two seats should be advertised to the public.

New Business:

Item(s) 1: Voluntary Annexation West Hampton Phase II: (Attachment I Resolution)

Mayor Langley read the resolution to annex parcel ID(s): 046530, 106130, 046610, 103289, 300526, 103286, 300528, 340719, 046062, 342338, 047978, 102366, 046590, 046577, 046279, 046900, 316012, 303644, 046175, and 102367 into Red Oak. Commissioner New expressed that he does not want to rapidly increase the population of Red Oak as there are means to grow within the town. Commissioner New made a motion to table the item, seconded by Commissioner Russ. Commissioner Briley commented that the twenty parcels should not be bringing in more than eighty residents into Red Oak and that it should not affect any future growth. Commissioner Russ agreed and withdrew her earlier second and stated that the exact population of Red Oak needs to be updated. Commissioner Briley made a motion to accept the parcels into Red Oak, seconded by Commissioner Bennett; motion carried 3 – 1 with Commissioner New opposed.

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Commissioner New made a motion to suspend any further voluntary annexations into Red Oak for one year, Commissioner Russ seconded; motion carried.

Item(s) 2: Renewal of Maturing CD: (Attachment II)

Clerk Shearin presented the rates for CDs at both Southern Bank and First Bank. The town currently has a CD with Southern Bank. Commissioner New made a motion to stay with Southern Bank, seconded by Commissioner Russ; motion carried.

Item(s) 3: Revised Audit Contract: (Attachment III)

Clerk Shearin presented the amendment to the audit contract from the auditor. With no comment from the council, Commissioner Russ made a motion to accept the revised audit contract, seconded by Commissioner Briley; motion carried.

Item(s) 4: NCLM Legislative Goal Statements: (Attachment IV)

Review and send municipal votes needed for top ten advocacy goals for this region.

Item(s) 5: Painting of Red Oak Elementary: (Attachment V):

Clerk Shearin presented the artwork of the older Red Oak Elementary building and recommended that the council needs to decide which to present to the school. Commissioner Bennett made a motion to present Red Oak Elementary with a framed print of the artwork, seconded by Commissioner New, motion carried.

Item(s) 6: LEO Contract Statistics Report: (Attachment VI):

Council reviewed the report with minimal discussion.

Public Comments:

Mary Tom Bass wanted to discuss the chaotic Christmas parade and the public that trespassed on her private property. She had to collect two big bags of trash from her property and had people on her property after the parade. Council will discuss further action to be proactive in preventing this in the future for her and others at a later date.

Thomas Rawlings wanted to thank the town for the Veterans' Day celebration and that the veteran residents were very appreciative of still holding the ceremony with the weather.

Other:

Commissioner Briley recommended that the old business to be listed on the agenda until it is finished making it easier to recall the business if asked about it.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Russ; the motion carried; the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.			
Levell Langley, Mayor	Tracy Shearin, Clerk		
	Averi Parker, LFNC Fellow		