

Red Oak Town Council Meeting Minutes
September 11th, 2023, 6:30pm

Attendance – Mayor, Levell Langley

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

Absent: None

Minutes: Averi Parker

Public Attendance: Todd Mallory, Mary Hadley Rose, Patsey McGhee, Wally Walston, Jeremy Crawford

Call to order: Mayor Langley

Mayor Langley asked for a moment of silence in memory of the September 11th Attacks in 2001.

Opening Prayer: Commissioner 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 Minutes was made by Commissioner Russ and seconded by Commissioner Craig New. Motion carried (4-0).

Deputy Finance Officer Russ informed the board that there will not be a Financial Report until Pate, Horton, & Ess get everything they need from the CPA. She informed the board that working with Pate, Horton, & Ess has been going well and the CPA is working on the audit.

Old Business:

Item(s) 1: Veterans Day Service Update

The Council briefly discussed the planning. Flyers have been made for the event and have been placed around the Town and on the marquee outside of Town Hall.

Item(s) 2: Christmas Festival Updates

Clerk Parker informed the board that planning has been moving along well and that vendor spots are filling up. She is currently reaching out to photographers for pictures with Santa.

Item(s) 3: Town of Red Oak Employee Handbook – Code of Ethics

Commissioner Russ explained to the council this was the same handbook that they had reviewed previously but it did not include the personnel portion. There needed to be a vote on the approval of the Handbook, At-Will Policy, and the Purchasing Policy. After discussion Mayor Pro Tem. Tony Bennett made a motion to approve the Employee Handbook, the At-Will Policy, and the Purchasing Policy which was seconded by Commissioner Craig New. Motion carried (4-0).

Item(s) 4: Pickleball Courts Update

Mayor Langley updated the Council that he had received one (1) quote and was currently waiting on others for the pickleball courts. He provided clarification that there would be three (3) courts added.

New Business:

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

Mary Hadley Rose wanted to thank the Town of Red Oak on behalf of the Red Oak Area Historic Preservation Society (ROAHPS) for their support during the annual Tractor Show. The event went well despite the weather.

Patsey McGhee, 4823 Ashley Drive, wanted information on the landfill mediation and

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development. Mayor Langley informed her that the Town has no plans for developing it besides a parking lot. The State is handling the removal of the trees and to come to the Public Hearing.

Wally Walston wanted to know about the Town's office equipment and the Town's bidding process.

Item(s) 2: 23-24 Northern Nash "KAC" Sponsorship (Attachment I)

After a brief discussion the Mayor and Council agreed to renew the Town's Gold Member Sponsorship for Northern Nash. A motion was made by Commissioner Craig New to approve the sponsorship and seconded by Commissioner Scott Briley. Motion carried (4-0).

Item(s) 3: Internal Controls Policy

Commissioner Russ informed the Council that The League would look at the working progress that works for the Town. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Briley to have The League review the Internal Controls Policy; seconded by Commissioner New. Motion carried (4-0).

Item(s) 4: American Legal

Mayor Langley informed the Council that the previous Clerk cancelled the program in May of 2022. He has reached out to American Legal, and they can reinstate the ordinances on the website at a minimal cost they would just need the ordinances passed since the cancellation in 2022.

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

Mayor and Council reviewed the report with minimal discussion.

Other:

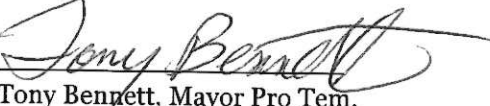
Mayor Langley provided a letter for Clerk Parker to read to the Council from resident and frequent meeting attendee Thomas Rawlings. Mr. Rawlings wanted to thank the Mayor and Council for their concern and advocacy for the Town of Red Oak.


Motion to adjourn by Commissioner New, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem. Bennett; the motion carried; the meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.


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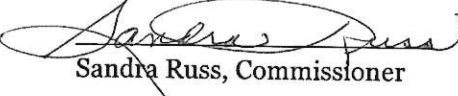

Levell Langley, Mayor


Averi Parker


Tony Bennett, Mayor Pro Tem.


Craig New, Commissioner


Scott Briley, Commissioner


Sandra Russ, Commissioner

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