

**TOWN OF SEAGROVE  
MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 1, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Edmonds. Commissioners in attendance were: Pam Allen, Ruby Mullin, and Barbara Luther. Commissioner Jodi Sapper and Commissioner Jason Auman were absent.

**A. Approval of Minutes and Treasurer's Report**

Items approved by motion were:

The minutes from the March 4th Special Called Meeting and Town meeting were presented for review. After further review, Commissioner Mullin made a motion to accept the minutes with a second made by Commissioner Allen. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report for March was presented for review. After review, a motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Luther with second by Commissioner Mullin. Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Police Report:**

The Police report was presented by Chief Maness. He detailed the number of miles driven (1281), hours worked during March were 202.75 with 4 hours special assignment at Seagrove School and 5 hours in court. There were 22 field interviews, 14 warrants served, 13 warrants drawn, 27 traffic citations, 5 written warnings, 33 verbal warnings, 7 pedestrian/motorist assists, and 3 officer assists. There were 2 traffic accidents investigated, 2 alarm calls, 11 miscellaneous call, and 3 incident reports. There were 21 miscellaneous reports filed, and 92 building checks. Chief Maness reported that two guys were charged at the park for C&R, fictitious information and injury to property, a break in at Luck's where people were stealing wire. Also involved with the County in purchasing moonshine from an under aged individual who was arrested.

**C. Committee Reports:**

Commissioner Allen reported that she had been approached by a couple of people in regards to having more than two yard sales a year and whether or not they can leave their things out over more than 2 days. The ordinance states that they are only allowed to have two each year. Need to bring this issue to the planning and zoning board to look at changing the ordinance on this issue.

Commissioner Mullin had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro-Tem Luther had nothing to report.

Clerk Morse had nothing to report.

#### **D. Old Business:**

Mayor Edmonds pointed out the new lighting and ceiling tiles that have been installed in the Town Hall. He has spoken with the landlord about installing new tile and the landlord has agreed to pay for half of the cost. It was recommended that tile be used instead of in-laid flooring due to less waste. It was decided to table any further discussion of paying for half the cost of flooring until the prices are put together. Mayor Edmonds also recognized Chief Maness for his work in cleaning the kitchen area.

Mayor Edmonds would like to have a work day one Saturday to clean out and straighten the closets in the Town Hall.

Commissioner Mullin recommended having a work day to begin working on the budget for 2014-2015. Commissioner Mullin made a motion to set a budget work day for Saturday, April 26, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Edmonds has spoken with James Morris with the Tax office in Raleigh and he has stated that he would send us a list of auditors in our area so the town can begin looking at a new audit firm for this year's audit.

Phil Morgan advised the commissioners that the new sign ordinance was not approved last month in the regular town meeting. Mayor Edmonds then read the new ordinance to the Commissioners. Commissioner Mullin made a motion to accept the changes and was seconded by Mayor Pro-Temp Luther. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **D. New Business:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Luther introduced Jane Halwig who does grant writing. Ms. Halwig has worked for non-profits for most of her career. She currently works for Central Park NC StarWorks as their Grants Manager. She has written grants for Federal, State, local, international grants. She is willing to help our Town in grant writing for sewer, water, park, museum, a new Town Hall and Police Department. The cost for a grant writer is usually approximately \$50.00 per hour and the administrative costs can be written into the grant to cover this expense.

Bobby Rowland with CHK Construction Safety/Rick Management, LLC gave a presentation of what his company does. For a cost of his services would be \$20,000 per year with 25% paid up front and the remainder paid monthly. This would guarantee 2

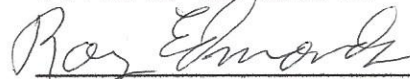
days a week to concentrate on the Town of Seagrove. He could also help in lowering the town's insurance rates. At this time, the Town cannot afford these services.

**E. Community Business:**

A question was raised about who would be responsible for building bathrooms at the ball fields at the Seagrove School. It was determined that it would need to go through the County.

There being no other business to address, motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Luther and seconded by Commissioner Allen. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Roy Edmonds", written over a horizontal line.

Roy Edmonds, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Shawn Morse  
Town Clerk