

**TOWN OF SEAGROVE
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2015**

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 Auman was on duty, and Commissioner Sapper was absent.

A. Approval of Minutes and Treasurer's Report

The minutes from the June 23rd Town Meeting were presented for review. After further review, Commissioner Allen made a motion to accept the minutes with a second made by Commissioner Mullin. The motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report for July was presented for review. After further review, a motion was made by Commissioner Mullin with a second made by Mayor Pro-Tem Luther. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Police Report

The police report was not presented at this time due to Chief Maness being on vacation and Sargent Auman being on duty. The report was given to Clerk Morse. The number of miles driven (1584), hours worked during July were 303 with 5 hours in court. There were 45 field interviews, 9 warrants served, 3 warrants drawn, 40 traffic citations, 6 written warnings, 71 verbal warnings, 16 Pedestrian/motorist assists, 1 domestic call, 4 alarm calls and 43 miscellaneous calls.

C. Committee Reports:

Commissioner Mullin reported that she called the School of Government and spoke with Freida regarding the Vendor Fees and Privilege License Fees. Freida stated that the law did pass on July 1st stating that Towns can no longer charge Privilege License or Vendor Fees. This hurts the Town tremendously.

Clerk Morse spoke with Billy Maness at Republic Services this week regarding the contract between Republic and the Town. The previous contract expired on June 30th and he has sent over a new contract which will be for a term of 5 years. There are no changes to this contract from the previous one. A motion was made by Commissioner Mullin to accept this contract with a second made by Commissioner Allen. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Old Business

Mayor Edmonds brought up the issue with the trash cans at empty properties. A list is being compiled by Commissioner Auman and Clerk Morse will contact Republic Services to pick up these cans.

E. New Business

David Fernandez recently learned that Carolina Bronze will be hosting the Tri-State Sculpture Event at their facility in Seagrove. They will be partnering with SAPA, Randolph Arts Guild and StarWorks to hold this event. After meeting with the owners, Melissa and Ed Walker, Mr. Fernandez invited them to the Town Meeting introduce themselves and their business to the town and to give more information about this event. Melissa and Ed then gave a presentation about what their business does.

Carolina Bronze has been in business in 1995. They are currently working on upgrading their facility to be more energy efficient. They are also working on constructing an outdoor sculpture park and walking trail around a pond that is in the process of being constructed. Ed and Melissa proposed displaying some sculptures around town and are hoping, with the Town's help, to be able to complete the sculpture park. This park will be open to the public and is projected to be completed by August, 2016 and would like to dedicate it during the Tri-State Sculpture Conference. Melissa is working on getting grants to help make all these things come to fruition. She is asking the Town to be a pass through agency for their grant funds in the future.

F. Business of the Community

Jeff Auman addressed the board regarding the state of the roads in the Town. There are several streets in Town that are in really bad shape and need to be repaved. Steve Williamson has spoken with a company and Mayor Edmonds is waiting for a call from a company to repair the roads. Mr. Almond suggested that Mayor Edmonds check with some of the other towns in the county and see what paving companies they use.

David Fernandez submitted a drawing to add another section to the Pottery Center's current sign. The Sign Permit request will be submitted to the Planning and Zoning Board for approval. A Special Meeting was then set for Thursday August 6th at 12:00 p.m. to discuss.

There being no other business to address, Mayor Pro-Tem Luther made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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ATTEST: Shawn Morse
Shawn Morse, Town Clerk

Roy Edmonds
Roy Edmonds, Mayor