

**TOWN OF SEAGROVE  
MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 4, 2014**

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

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

Items approved by motion were:

The minutes from the February 4th Town meeting were presented for review. After further review, Commissioner Sapper made a motion to accept the minutes with a second made by Commissioner Allen. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report for February was presented for review. After review, a motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Commissioner Mullin with second by Commissioner Auman. Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Police Report:**

The Police report was presented by Chief Maness. He detailed the number of miles driven (1169), hours worked during February were 216.75 with 3 hours special assignment at Seagrove School and 10.5 hours in court. There were 4 field interviews, 18 traffic citations, 17 written warnings, 32 verbal warnings, 7 pedestrian/motorist assists, and 2 officer assists. There were 4 traffic accidents investigated, 2 alarm calls, 7 miscellaneous call, and 1 incident reports. There were 19 miscellaneous reports filed, and 83 building checks. Chief Maness reported that they are currently investigating a break in at Pottery Junction.

**C. Committee Reports:**

Commissioner Sapper had nothing to report.

Commissioner Allen had nothing to report.

Commissioner Mullin reported that Neil Wright with Dollar General called and said that they were finished up there and was making sure that everything was okay. She told him that as far as she knew everything was okay but she would check with the board. Mayor Pro-Tem Luther stated that she had received a call from Doris Barrett stating that Dollar General had agreed to build a fence between the store and her father's house

and it had not been done yet. Commissioner Mullin will contact Mr. Wright and let him know this.

Mayor Pro-Tem was contacted by Jacob Martindale who lives on Yow Drive. He stated that he is planning on opening an office in his home. This will be an advertising business and that there would be no one coming to his home, but he will be traveling around the state selling advertisements. He wanted to see if there was any kind of zoning ordinances against this or if he needed any kind of permits for this. The committee agreed that there was nothing against him doing this, however he would need to get a business license. Clerk Morse will get Mr. Martindale an application for a business license.

Commissioner Auman reported that there are several teams practicing and rec ball will be getting started at the park. He asked if we could get City trash cans put out at the school. It had been previously approved to have the trash cans put out. Ed Blake noted that the park is missing one trash can at the ball field. Clerk Morse will contact Republic about getting the trash cans in place. Commissioner Mullin also noted that there is a dead tree down at the park near the picnic shelter that needs to be removed.

Clerk Morse had nothing to report.

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

Mayor Edmonds reported that the issue discussed at the last council meeting regarding the Town taking over Mr. Hunt's road at the trailer park. Mr. Hunt has decided not to follow through with this.

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

Mayor Edmonds introduced Bonnie Renfro, President of the Randolph County Economic Development Corporation who presented the annual report for Randolph County, a copy of which was given to each council member. She reported that there have been several projects announced over the past year. There were 343 new jobs announced by the industries and it will generate approximately \$11 million in new annual income. The unemployment rate dropped 3% to 6.3% over the past year.

Mrs. Renfro also reported that in regards to Seagrove, the former Seagrove Foods Lucks building is still being marketed. They have been working with a client for quite a few months who is considering this facility. It has not been a fast process however. Mrs. Renfro and Mayor Edmonds received a call from someone else who is out of state wanting to visit the site as well. It is possible that this building could see more than one business move into this facility. They continue to market other buildings available in the area such as the RFI building. She recently spoke with representatives of the Hunt property regarding developing this property. They are currently working on a feasibility study for this property, looking at possibly developing a nursing home, homes, etc.



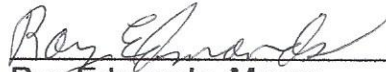
Mrs. Renfro then introduced Kevin Franklin who presented a report of existing business within the county. He reported that there is currently 16,158 manufacturing/industry jobs throughout the county. This is an increase over the previous year. He noted that the previous year was a good, stable year with slight growth. He also noted that there are still some concerns including the health care situation and the skills gap. There are jobs available but there are applicants who do not have the skills necessary to fill these jobs. RCC is working closely with these industries to address these issues.

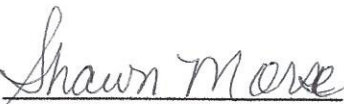
**E. Community Business:**

Harrison McNeil gave a report from his Run 4 the Hungry 5K that took place last month. He noted that there were 90 registered and 75-80 people actually participated and \$1,000 was raised for the CUOC. He wanted to thank the council for allowing him to do this and to the Police Department for helping him plan the event and helping out the day of the event.

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

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Roy Edmonds, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Shawn Morse  
Town Clerk