

**TOWN OF SEAGROVE
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
January 7, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Hale. Commissioners in attendance were: Edmonds, Mullin, Hewitt, and Luther.

A. Approval of Minutes and Treasurer's Report

Minutes for December 6 were presented for review. After review, motion to accept the December minutes was made by Ruby with second by Barbara. Motion carried. Minutes will be posted on the Town website within a few days.

Treasurer's Report for December was presented for review. After reviewing, clarification was asked for on Progress Energy bills and other income. These line items will be explained at next meeting.

B. Police Report:

Police Chief Maness gave the Police report. He detailed the number of miles driven (1259), hours worked during December were 147 with 1 hour special assignment at Seagrove schools, 22 training hours, and 5 hours were spent in court. 7 field interviews, 1 warrant served and 1 warrant drawn, 2 criminal citations, 6 traffic citations were given with 6 written and 29 verbal warnings. There were 9 motorist assists, 3 officer assist, and 4 traffic directions given for the month. There were 3 domestic calls, 1 animal call, 2 alarm calls, 6 miscellaneous calls and 1 escort. There was 1 incident report and 24 miscellaneous reports filed.

C. Committee Reports:

Commissioner Edmonds asked for clarification on clean-up for project he is working on. Commissioner Mullin said clean-up was scheduled for twice a year.

Commissioner Mullin asked about speed bumps for the park on the road built with the Powell money. She was going to check with DOT. Commissioner Mullin also asked about gates at the entrance of the park. Mayor Hale spoke to DOT. The DOT replied that as long as the gates did not impact or deny entrance to any residential or industrial property it was okay. Commissioner Mullin made the motion for the repair work at the park. Park work includes fixing the play horse, electrical outlets, and loose picnic table benches. Commissioner Luther seconded the motion and the committee approved.

Mayor Hale said that there would be more discussion on the park improvements at a later date.

Commissioner Luther had no new news but mentioned a meeting that was planned the next month for the 100th year celebration of Seagrove. Eddie Voncannon will be calling this meeting.

Commissioner Hewitt said that Eddie Voncannon would be at the next meeting to give updates on the water board and that he had no new business.

D. Town Clerk's Business:

Town Clerk Mrs. Berry asked about the school she was to attend. As the council decided that 1 day was not sufficient to learn the position, Commissioner Mullin made the motion to accept the school for 3 days for Mrs. Berry. Commissioner Edmund seconded the motion. Motion was approved for 3 days.

The audit contract was renewed. This motion was made by Commissioner Hewitt and seconded by Commissioner Luther, motion approved. Commissioner Luther asked if the contract was the same price as last year and Mayor Hale responded that it was.

Town clerk asked for clarification on payroll dates, dates were confirmed to be 15th and last day of the month.

The ongoing internet concerns were brought up. Commissioner Edmund made a motion to fix this as soon as possible. Commissioner Luther seconded the motion, motion approved.

Council approved a motion to prepare W-2s and other payroll reports at Upton Accounting, Inc.

Town clerk asked for clarification on ordering replacement flags for those displayed around town. Flags can be ordered as needed.

E. Guest Speaker: President of Randolph County Economic Development Corporation (EDC), Bonnie Renfro

Bonnie gave the Economic Annual Report. Bonnie's report covered topics such as employment availability, what businesses needed or would need to change to keep up in this technological age. Bonnie also introduced Mr. Franklin, the replacement for Henry Lane, as the Existing Business & Industry Coordinator.


Kevin Hill, member of the EDC Board of Directors and of H&H furniture and Fresh Cuts Grocery store spoke of how EDC had helped him with the grocery store start-up. They helped him with water and sewer grants for the grocery store.

F. Public Discussion:

Board spoke of expanding the soccer/baseball playing fields and how the town could prosper from the expansions.

Residents brought us various marketing ideas to be used at park and how to draw in new customers. Ideas included: using maps to indicate local businesses; coupons; possible shuttle buses to local businesses.

There being no other business to address, motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Edmund and seconded by Commissioner Mullin. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

ATTEST: 
Wendy Berry
Town Clerk

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Allen Hale, Mayor