

**TOWN OF SEAGROVE
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 2015**

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

A. Approval of Minutes and Treasurer's Report

The minutes from the September 1st 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.

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

B. Police Report

The police report was presented by Chief Maness. He detailed the number of miles driven (1129), hours worked during September were 277, with 27 training hours. There were 23 field interviews, 18 traffic citations, 3 written warnings, 59 verbal warnings, 3 pedestrian/motorist assists, 4 officer assists, 1 traffic accident, 5 domestic calls and 5 alarm calls. There were 15 miscellaneous calls, 3 incident reports, 37 miscellaneous reports and 164 business checks. Chief Maness reported that they, along with Randolph County served a search warrant at the end of Yow Drive. They also took report for a breaking and entering at the Lucks plant where a panel box was torn up. It has been hit three times recently so he advised that the residents of the town keep their eyes out when traveling by the plant and report anything they see.

C. Committee Reports:

Commissioner Mullin reported that she spoke with Mitchell Green regarding installing a gate at the park. He is willing to do this for the same price as he quoted last year (\$1,500). Commissioner Mullin made a motion to allow Mitchell to install the gate. Mayor Pro-Tem Luther seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Pro-Tem Luther spoke with Jane Halawig about the grants. Lowes is the only grant she has found that does not require a match by the town and it is going to be January before she can do this grant. Jane is also going to apply for the Presnell Grant in November for Playground equipment.

Mayor Edmonds reported that the patching/paving has been completed on Hoyt Drive, Boone Street and Hill Street. He has had one complaint about water running over a

pipe at the Christian Church and he found out that it is the State's responsibility to repair.

Mayor Pro-Tem Luther announced that the Andrew Auman 75th Reunion will be Saturday, October 10th. There is a display set up at the Library and will be open for viewing from 10:00 – 3:00.

Clerk Morse reported that she had spoken with Valerie Peace from the Randolph County Schools Transportation. She stated that one of her bus drivers reported that there are limbs that need to be trimmed on Wayman Street. Mayor stated that he will have all the streets long armed to take care of all the overhanging limbs.

D. Old Business

Commissioner Mullin suggested that the Town go ahead and get Yow Street patched before winter comes. Mayor Edmonds will contact the paving company to get an estimate on fixing the problems on Yow Street.

Steve Williamson reported that the cost to replace the culvert and pave East Street will be approximately \$2,700. A motion was made to allow Steve to go ahead with these repairs by Mayor Pro-Tem Luther with a second made by Commissioner Mullin. The motion passed unanimously.

E. New Business

Mary Holmes with SAPA addressed the board. She is working on an International Wood Firing Potters Conference in 2017. People have been invited and accepted invitations from all over the world. This event will be held at StarWorks in Star and also at several potteries in the Seagrove area. This will be a 2 week event in June of 2017. They are trying to get a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. One of the things they need is letters of support for the different areas involved in this event. She is asking for a letter of support from the Town of Seagrove. There will be no financial expectation from the town, just a letter supporting this event for the Seagrove area. Mrs. Holmes has drafted a letter for the town to sign and she will email it to the Town Clerk to put it on letterhead. Commissioner Auman made a motion to support this event and sign the letter. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Allen and passed unanimously.

F. Business of the Community

Mayor Edmonds announced his support for the current board members who are running in the upcoming election. He is also announcing his support for David Fernandez who is running for Mayor and Cindy Neef who is running for Commissioner.

Melissa Walker from Carolina Bronze then addressed the board asking about what needs to be done to request annexation of their business in to the town. The board informed her that she just needs to write a letter to the town requesting this and the board will vote on it and send it to Randolph County.

Mrs. Walker also reported that they are trying to get someone to put gravel and sow some grass around the pond. They have had several sculptors agree to put their artwork around the pond as well. They are also working on a landscape plan at this time.

David Fernandez asked what hours the park gate will be open. Commissioner Mullin stated that it will be open from dawn to dusk. She will check on a price for a timer for the gate so it can automatically open and close at a designated time.

Jeff Brown introduced himself to the board as a new potter in town. He will need to go before the planning board to get approval for his sign. A called meeting was set for

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 8:05 p.m.

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ATTEST: Shawn M Morse
Shawn Morse, Town Clerk

Roy Edmonds
Roy Edmonds, Mayor