# TOWN OF REDDICK COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES March 6, 2025

Reddick Town Council met in regular session on Thursday, January 2, 2025, at 7:00 PM at the Community Building.

John Vetter, Mayor Myra Sherman, Councilman Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk Patti Vetter, Councilman, Pro-Tem Andrea Barnes, Councilman Shirley Youmans, Councilman

#### ABSENT:

Nadine Stokes, Council President

#### **GUESTS**:

Lucy Ward Pam Gerard Dick Gerard Martha Cromwell

Fondale Evans Lt. Keith McQuaig Matt Hackett Joe Perry Anna Bergenstrable

Curtis Burns Winston Brewster Avery Patterson Mary Salter

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Mayor John Vetter, with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Councilman Sherman giving an invocation.

#### MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

- Minutes of the February 6, 2025, meeting were reviewed by Mayor Vetter. With no corrections or additions, Councilman Patti Vetter made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented, and Councilman Sherman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- The financial statement for February, 2025 was presented for review. Income exceeded Expense by \$117.11 for the month, but we are still in the red for the year-to-date of \$-23,682.85. This was caused by paying annual insurance premium of \$19,115 and continued maintenance and cleanup of the right of ways. Councilman Sherman made a motion that the report be approved as presented and Councilman Youmans seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously, pending audit.

#### **SHERIFF'S DEPT:**

Lt. McQuaig reported there were 110 calls for service and 5 reports written. We had 28 traffic stops, 24 building checks, 10 civil disturbances and 5 alarm calls. There were no issues for concern. Lt. McQuaig told guests present that he would remain in the back of Town Hall for about 10 minutes for anyone who may want to speak to him in private.

## **CODE VIOLATION – BREWSTER:**

Mr. Brewster attended meeting but was called away for an emergency before we were able to address his violation.

#### **CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

Mayor Vetter reported that there was a mobile home pulled onto a property on NW 48<sup>th</sup> without a permit. Owner of property was informed of the violation and was to appear at meeting but was not present.

# **ROADWORK AND MAINTENANCE:**

Councilman Youmans reported some repairs were needed on shoulder of NW 157<sup>th</sup> and NW 158<sup>th</sup>. Street shoulders needed to have grass cleared back to edge. Mary Salter reported that there were rocks on property on NW 47<sup>th</sup> Ave. Councilman Youmans and Mayor Vetter stated they would check it out.

#### **STREET LIGHTS:**

Mrs. Stroup reported that she had no street lights reported to her. Mrs. Salter stated that the light at Club Charmant is still very dim and also the light at NW 157<sup>th</sup> and NW 47<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Stroup stated that repair orders were placed and she received emails that the work had been completed. Only alternative is to have actual lights replaced with brighter ones. She will investigate.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- REDDICK PARK: Ground breaking for the new park was held on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00am. We have been told that the park is to be completed in 6 months.
- COMMUNITY CENTER: Repairs are still being done. Doors have arrived and are to be installed by the 17<sup>th</sup> of this month. Councilman Sherman will meet with Councilman Vetter to draft a schedule and review rules to update. She feels that each councilman and the Mayor could take two months each and the year would be covered.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- BASKETBALL COURTS: Dr. Sarah James with the Marion County School Bd. Would like to give the basketball courts to the Town. They will have the property rezoned, giving the parcel to the Town and have the fence moved. There will be a workshop coming up in the next couple of weeks. Council President Stokes is our school liaison and should attend. In return for the property, Dr. James feels the Town should pay for the survey. Mayor Vetter would like to see the tennis courts resurfaced and lights installed. Lucy Ward responded that she felt the lights would only cause a problem. Mayor Vetter stated courts would close at 8:00pm and lights would be needed for a short time in the evenings. It was suggested that when the courts were redone, one side be for tennis the other for pickle ball. Mayor Vetter stated we would add it to next year's budget.
- SHIRTS WITH TOWN LOGO: Councilman Barnes shared that at the ground-breaking ceremony for the park, county officials were wearing shirts with county logo, thus identifying them easily for those attending. Organizers were having difficulty identifying Reddick officials who were participating in the activity. She would like the Town to purchase polo shirts with the town logo for official events. She will come to next meeting with pricing and quotes.
- TRASH BEING DUMPED ON BACK ROADS: Guest Dick Gerard reported that he and his wife had to pick up two trash totes of garbage that was dumped on NW 40<sup>th</sup> Ave. Rd that someone dumped. This was not just debris being thrown out of cars as they drive along, but actual garbage in the middle of the road. He wondered if there was anyone he could call. He

wondered if we were able to use prison litter crews. Councilman Barnes responded that they were not available to town streets.

• LIMB ON RIGHT-OF-WAY: Lucy Ward reported a limb on the right-of-way on NW 151<sup>st</sup> and NW 42<sup>nd</sup> Terr. She stated it had been there since the hurricanes came through. Mayor Vetter said he would check it out.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Marjorie Stroup, Town Clerk

John Vetter, Mayor