

REDDICK TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 4, 2025 – 7:00 PM

Reddick Town Council met in regular session on Thursday, December 4, 2025, at 7:00 PM at the Community Building.

PRESENT:

John Vetter, Mayor

Nadine Stokes, Council President

Patti Vetter, Council Pres. Pro Tem

Shirley Youmans, Councilman

Andrea Barnes, Councilman

Teresa J. Sweetalla, Town Clerk

ABSENT: Myra Sherman, Councilman

GUEST:

Dick & Pam Gerard

Nyema Jones

Dr. Sarah James, MCPS

James Racz

Martha Cromwell

Bob & Kim Law

Donny Darley

Patricia Doyle-Ryan

Leila Buchanan

Dru Lucia Roia

Anna Bergenstrable

Margie Stroup

Pastor Fondale Evans

Ralph & Claudia Geribon

Brian Kimak

Deborah J. Herrington

Matt Hackett

Curtis Burns

Lucy Ward

Alphonso Lamar

Lieutenant Julie Vowinkel

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Nadine Stokes, with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Pastor Fondale Evans giving an invocation.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

- Minutes of the November 2, 2025, meeting were reviewed by Council President Nadine Stokes. With no corrections or additions, Councilman Pres. Pro Tem Vetter made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented, and was 2nd by Councilman Barnes. Motion carried unanimously with Councilman Sherman being absent.
- The financial statement for November, 2025 was presented for review by Council Pres. Pro Tem Patti Vetter. Income - \$13,769.46, Expenses - \$16,031.00. Expenses exceeded income by \$2,261.54. The deficit for the year to date 12/01/2024 – 11/30/2025 is \$44,564.78, with the Income being - \$220,940.06 and Expenses being - \$265,487.24. Councilman Shirley Youmans made a motion that the report be approved as presented and Council Pres Pro Tem Patti Vetter seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously, with Councilman Sherman being absent, pending audit.

SHERIFFS DEPT:

- Lieutenant Julie Volwinkle, the new Sheriff's Dept. Commander of the Town of Reddick, reported that there were 25 traffic stops. She was not told to bring the full list of calls, reports, citations, etc. to the meeting. The Reddick Clerk Sweetalla will email a list to the Lt. before the January meeting.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

- **Geribon Properties:** 14990 NW 48th Avenue, Reddick, FL 32686, Parcel #06996-000-00 & #06996-000-01. Alexander (Ralph) & his wife Claudia spoke. It was decided that the mobile home in question should be moved off the property to be repaired and that it would need to pass inspection and a letter issued from the Town of Reddick stating their approval, before Marion County will issue their Permit and before it can be moved back onto the 2nd parcel. Motion made by Councilman Pres. Pro Tem Vetter & 2nd by Councilman Youmans. Motion carried unanimously with Councilman Sherman being absent.
- **Brewster Property:** 4205 NW 154th Street, Reddick, FL 32686, Parcel #06542-001-00. This has been an ongoing issue since the fall of 2023. Mr. Brewster stated that he would have the roof repaired by the end of 2025, to stop the issue being turned over to Marion County. Motion was made by Council President Nadine Stokes and 2nd by Councilman Pres. Pro Tem Vetter. Motion carried unanimously with Councilman Sherman being absent.

ROADWORK AND STREET MAINTENANCE:

- Bushes still need cut around street signs. Especially at the corner of 46th Avenue and 155th Street per Councilman Youman. Perry Hill Bulldozing and Duke Energy both did tree trimming during the period of 12/08 – 12/16/2025. Mayor Vetter set up trimming with Jason Perry. There is also still a litter problem in the same area. Councilman Barnes spoke with the county and they will help after we set up a plan, date & volunteers.
- Street light at 15350 NW 46th Avenue. No pole number here. (given by Council President Nadine Stokes).

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Basketball Courts:** Dr. Sarah James from the Marion County School Board spoke. She finally got the approval from Marion County to do an Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Reddick to give the Town the Basketball Court for a period of 10 years, that currently has (2) 10-year extensions, after the initial 30 years, the agreement can be revised. The agreement was sent to the Town's Attorney. He approved the plan. However, he did say that the

Town needs to add this property to the Town's Insurance policy. The amount to add to the policy has not yet been determined. The **Tennis Courts** should also be revitalized by the beginning of the next school term.

- **Spectrum**: Still reviewing contracts
- **Renasant Bank**: The council decided to open a new bank account at Renasant Bank for Daily banking. Also, to add Councilman Andrea L. Frazier-Barnes to be added as a signer, along with the already approved signers on our other daily bank account with Wells Fargo (Council President - Nadine Stokes, Council Pres. Pro Tem – Patricia Vetter, and the Town Clerk Teresa J. Sweetalla). They also require a 2-signature check system. They also want to get one Debit Card for Clerk Sweetalla, if It is necessary to have one to receive the account balance from a teller. Also, a Credit Card account via Renasant Bank. The council wants the credit cards that can easily be cut off and that will give points for purchases. At this time, just the one card for the Town Clerk Sweetalla to make purchases and to put re-occurring subscriptions on instead of on her own personal card. At some point the residing Mayor and other Council Members may also obtain a Credit Card as well, if they are needing to do purchases on a regular basis. If this is necessary, it can be discussed who will get cards and why in a future meeting. Purchases on the credit card exceeding \$500 should still be approved by the Council. Councilman Pres. Pro Tem Vetter made a motion that all of the above written take place for the bank account, debit card and credit cards, Councilman President Stokes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously, with Councilman Sherman being absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Educational Programs and Badges**: Council President Nadine Stokes will obtain additional information these items.
- **Auto Repair Dealership** Property: 15015 NW Gainesville Road (25A), Reddick, FL 32686. (6) Parcels - Parcel #06625-000-00 thru #06627-000-00 & #06634-000-00 thru 06636-000-00. Property owner Brian Kimik spoke. The Mayor checked with Steve Rogers about the filling in of the sink hole and cutting of the trees. It is not officially recorded as a sink hole, so he may fill it in. He is extending his parking lot to rent the property to a new tenant that will be putting in a Tire Store. The new tenant was at the meeting to speak, she drove in from Tallahassee, so it was agreed upon by the council that she should be allowed to speak. Nyema Jones spoke for her Tire Company. Her family owned Bluntz Tire Service located further into Ocala off of CR 25A. Councilman Barnes made a motion to accept the new tenant and work being done, as long as the used tires do no become a problem, along with any noise or pollutions problems., Councilman President Stokes 2nd the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Councilman Sherman being absent. There will be a Grand Opening with food and gifts.

- **Small Repairs to Community Center:** It was agreed that Chad Sweetalla can do small repairs to the community center as long as the repairs remain under a certain amount. Mr. Margie Stoup suggested \$1,000.00 without having to get approval for each item.
- **Clerk Position Items:** Fuel reimbursement accepted via miles or as the State allows. Hours to be counted for 7 major Holidays if they fall on her work days. Any changes to work schedule to be posted on front and side doors. If she has to leave town for Family Events, etc. She can check the phones remotely and will take a Town laptop with her to check the emails and web-site as well.
- **Christmas Cards & Bonuses to Local Vendors:** Ms. Margie Stoup pointed out that cards were previously given, but aren't anymore & Bonuses can't be done with Public Funds. No vote needed.
- **OTHER ITEMS DISCUSSED:** **1. Reindeer Romp** at Reddick Library, Saturday, 12/20/2025. **2. Florida Ethics Class**, The 4-hour class for Council & Clerk to take place Wednesday, 12/17/2025. Starts 10 am, Ends 3:30 pm. **3. Council Seat Elections** in January 2026. The Vetter's will not be re-running. Mayor Vetter backed Councilman Myra Sherman for the new Mayor. **4. Keeping Police Presence** available during meetings. **5. Reddick Park After Hours**, the park is becoming a nighttime hang out. Mayor Vetter will contact the Police about items 4 & 5. **6. Councilman Barns** made a very nice display about the park and park opening. **7. DeConna Ice Cream Day** at the Park, suggested by Council President Stokes. Mayor Vetter suggested that they come to the Reindeer Romp and set up a booth. **8. Microphones:** An attendee suggested that the council get and use them during the meeting as they can't really hear the speakers in the back. **9. 13th Street Mobile Homes**, an attendee mentioned that he is getting a mobile home from them soon and didn't want any issues. Margie Stoup let him know that he already had his paperwork in place. **10. Ruben Aden Property:** An attendee asked Mr. Aden about buying his property because Mr. Aden plans on putting in a mobile on his vacant property. Mayor Vetter stated that the set back is 25' on front, 20' on sides and 10' in rear. So there is no room for anything on the small property. There was no address nor parcel given, but it is believed that is zoned R1. **11. Schools to consolidate**, due to being under capacity (Anthony, Sparr, Fessenden & Reddick). The new school will not be on any of the present school properties. **12. Kids getting inside school grounds at night**, Mayor Vetter will contact police department. **13. Speeding in town & tree debris** brought up by Ms. Lucie Ward. Mr. Racz suggested speed bumps. Mayor Vetter said that they county will not install them here, debris to be addressed
- **January Town Meeting Date Change:** New Year's Day is the first Thursday in January, so it was decided to change the meeting to the 2nd Thursday in January being (1/08/2026). Councilman Youman's made the motion to change to the 8th. Councilman Pres. Pro Tem Vetter 2nd the motion. Motion carried unanimously with Councilman Sherman being absent.
- There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM

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Approved -- John Vetter, Mayor

Respectfully submitted -- Teresa J. Sweetalla -Town Clerk


