

Minutes

Town of Ronda Board Meeting

September 14th, 2021 6:00pm

The Ronda Town Board met on Tuesday, September 14th at 6:00 p.m. with following members present: Mayor Rheajean Bengé, Commissioner Kevin Reece, and Commissioner Helen Porter, Commissioner Sandra Simmons, Commissioner Kay Luffman, Commissioner JoAnn Royal

The following members of the audience were present: Mr. Ron Niland, Mr. Michael Boaz, Mr. Peter Baergen, Ms. Betty Blackburn

Mayor Bengé called the meeting to order. Commissioner Kay Luffman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Open Forum: Closure of Ridge St. No discussion.

Agenda: Mayor Bengé asked to add Ron Niland to the agenda, Commissioner Simmons made the motion, all said aye in a 5-0 vote. "Let the record show the ayes have it." Mayor Bengé asked for approval of the agenda, Commissioner Luffman made the motion, all said aye in a 5-0 vote. "Let the record show the ayes have it."

Minutes: Mayor Bengé asked for any discussion of the June 8th, June 17th, 2021, and July 13th, 2021 Board Meeting and Work Session Minutes. There was none. Mayor Bengé asked for a motion to approve the June and July Minutes. Commissioner Luffman made the motion, all said aye in a 5-0 vote. "Let the record show the ayes have it."

Expenditures: Mayor Bengé asked if there was any discussion, there was none.

Streets, Cemetery, and Parks:

1. Commissioner Reece expressed concerns about the cemetery not being mowed and thinks it needs to be a priority, asked to look into outsourcing the mowing when needed.
2. Parking on the Railroad property by new residents has prevented the mowing. Mayor Bengé will advise the new owners and send a letter approved by the Board.

Reports:

YVSA: Meeting was cancelled until the following the Tuesday.

EDC: Luncheon had a big turnout with speeches and awards. Did not attend the last meeting via zoom but will present minutes at next board meeting.

High Country HCCOG: Cancelled Annual Banquet.

Wilkes Chamber of Commerce: Had their meeting on 8/18/2021 via zoom and in-person. New office manager, Kendall Shumate. Lots of new Chamber members including Dirty Diesels and VV. Apple Festival has been cancelled again due to Covid-19. Wilkes received money to start cleaning up the speedway.

Yadkin Chamber of Commerce: No meeting.

Guest Speakers:

Open Forum:

Action Items:

1. **Portion Close of Ridge St.:** Commissioner Porter made the motion, there was no discussion. All said aye in 5-0 vote.
2. **Personnel Policy:** Commissioner Porter made the motion to adopt the new personnel policy, there was no discussion. All said aye in a 5-0 vote.
3. **Municipal Consultant:** Commissioner Luffman made the motion, there was no discussion. All said aye in a 5-0 vote.
4. **Financial Depository:** Commissioner Reece made the motion, there was no discussion. All said aye in 5-0 vote.
5. **Alcohol Sale:** Foster's Grocery asked if the sale of alcohol on Sunday could be moved from 12pm to 10am. Commissioner Reece made the motion, there was no discussion. All said aye in 5-0 vote.
6. **Legal Council on Unpaid Bills:** Commissioner Luffman made the motion, there was no discussion. All said aye in 5-0 vote.
7. **Hudspeth Quote:**
8. **Precision Guttering:** Commissioner Porter made the motion, there was no discussion. All said aye in a 5-0 vote.
9. **Window Replacement:** Moved to Work Session #2
10. **Fall Clean Up Days:** Commissioner ?? made the motion to have fall clean up days the week of 10/25/21-10/29/21, there was no discussion. All said aye in a 5-0 vote.
11. **Ron Niland:** Spoke to the board and thanked them for allowing him to serve them.

Entered closed session 6:45pm

"Let the record show, 'I want to thank the Lord for another great meeting.' The meeting was adjourned at 7:19:59PM.

Mayor Benge asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Kevin Reece motioned, Commissioner Kay Luffman second; all agreed by saying aye in a 4-0 vote.

Tracy Romans, Town Clerk