

# Meeting minutes OF THE REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Date:

February 10, 2025

Time:

5:00 PM

Facilitator:

Vickie Nail, Mayor

## Council in attendance

Donald Prestage

Lindsay Bennett (Absent)

Carolyn Blackshear (Present by telephone)

Verdie Williams

Theron Harris

Nivea Jackson- City Clerk

Gina Sheridan-Finance Manager

Duann Davis- City Attorney

## Approval of minutes

These minutes are a draft and are not approved until March 10, 2025

The Council was greeted by a welcome and prayer from Mayor Vickie Nail.

## **Department Updates**

**Police Dept**- Chief Matt Lynn- Chief Snell and Corporal Keeter assisted the GBI in a \$10k and Methamphetamine seizure.

**Fire Dept**-Chief Jimmy Brown- The department was involved in a water rescue.

**Water/Sewer, Street and Lanes**-Report distributed

**Surrency Park**-Septic Tank connections were upcoming

**Code Enforcement**-Truck Stop is coming at John O. Parker Dr, Timothy Monroe (Metter) to open a new tire shop at old T and W Tire. Councilman Prestage asks if a storage shed that is being converted into living quarters meets the current charter standard. Don Powell explains that the conversion is known as a “build out” in which additional construction will be added to the dwelling. Powell states that mobile home standards have changed.

**Minutes Approval**- The Council had postponed voting for November- December 2024, and January 2025 minutes for lack of quorum, and review for corrections. Verdie Williams makes a motion to approve the minutes and their corrections.

**Motion by: Verdie Williams**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by: Theron Harris**

**Vote: Passed unanimously**

### **PD Lease**

The Council has discussed for several months about a potential lease with Enterprise for the Police Department fleet. The Council asked for further documentation for consideration. After review, Donald Prestage makes a motion to proceed with the Enterprise Lease.

**Motion: Donald Prestage**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by: Theron Harris**

**Vote: Passed - Verdie Williams/No**

**\*The previously bid on charger was not sold under conditions bid for. The Mayor announces that another announcement would go in the paper for new bids.**

### **Tree Cutting at the Armory**

There are 32 trees at the National Guard Armory aka Old City Shop. Daniel Anderson is proposing to cut the trees at the Armory that will leave stumps that will additionally need grinding at an additional cost. Anderson is proposing to remove the trees free of charge if he can keep the lumber. Stump grinding will be an estimated \$75/ stump. Councilman Prestage read the City charter about recusing one's self from a topic. Donald Prestage has recused himself of the conversation, the room, and the vote. Mayor is asking for a motion to cut the trees. Councilwoman Williams feels the Armory would be an eyesore with the trees gone and wants to know why something must be done now? Councilwoman Williams states she would like the Council to come with a concrete plan for the Armory. Councilwoman Williams makes a motion to table the conversation for further budget planning.

**Motion by: Verdie Williams**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by: Carolyn Blackshear**

**Vote: Passed Unanimously**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Special Events**

VFW, April 5<sup>th</sup> to build handicap ramps

**Motion by: Verdie Williams**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by: Donald Prestage**

**Vote: Passed unanimously**

Gary Mitchell motorcycle ride March 29, 2025

**Motion by: Donald Prestage**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by: Verdie Williams**

**Vote: Passed unanimously**

Easter Celebration- April 12, 2025 Gametroopers 11a-4p

**Motion by: Verdie Williams**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by: Theron Harris**

**Vote: Passed unanimously**

**Citizen Comments:**

Belinda Sharpe- Has come and submitted a bid for her property with the City. Mayor referring bid to Attorney.

Earnest Armstrong and Jenean Armstrong-address concerns over potential Circle K gas station coming on Main/Church. Believes a moratorium can be placed to address their concerns with the adjoining parking lot.

**Verdie Williams makes a motion to go into Executive Session @ 5:51pm**

**Council returns to regular session @ 6:48pm**

**With all matters left with the attorney Verdie Williams offers a motion to adjourn at 6:50p**