

Village of Cedar Rock

Minutes

The regular meeting of the Village of Cedar Rock was held at Cedar Rock Country Club at 11:30 a.m. on April 16, 2024.

Call to Order: Mayor Bob Floyd called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

Attendance: Present were Mayor Bob Floyd, Ernie McAteer, Bill Griffin, Daniel Odom, Mike McClinton, Pamela Mayberry, Mike Shows, Steve Huntley and George Robinson.

Adoption of Agenda: Mike Shows made a motion to adopt the agenda; Mike McClinton seconded the motion; agenda adopted.

Approval of Minutes: Pam Mayberry made a motion to approve the minutes; Mike McClinton seconded the motion; minutes approved.

Committee Reports: Administrative: Pamela Mayberry stated she had spoken with Richard Tucker a former game warden and he said that he has been assisting the Anchor's Landing community with their deer over population issues using a new program called Community-Based Deer Management. Mr. Tucker gave Pam a name of a biologist that could attend a future meeting hopefully next month. **Finance:** Bill Griffin stated the Village currently has \$548,437.06 in the bank and that number is prior to the deposit received in April. Bill Griffin stated the Village had been anticipating money coming in for the road improvements and the check was received for road improvements and storm water and \$85,875.00 was deposited April 3rd. After further review of expenditures from April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2023, it was discovered that there were several invoices that were incorrectly coded and should have been coded as ARP funds, total amount of those invoices was \$16,031.68. Bill Griffin made a motion to rescind his original motion to move \$10,000 from the general fund to 1735 Road and Right of Way Maintenance; Mike McClinton seconded; motion approved. Mr. Giffin made a motion that \$18,000 be moved from 715 Powell Bill Funds to 1735 Road and Right of Way Maintenance; Ernie McAteer seconded; motion approved. **Transportation:** Ernie McAteer stated that Tyler had cleaned up the brush pile from where Duke Power trimmed and cut down big trees in the right of way. Tyler also removed a very large tree leaning in road at Rooster's house. Tyler sent proposal to inspect culverts. Tyler quoted \$900.00 each time he inspects the culverts. There will be 20 to 25 culverts each time as discovered by engineer. Mayor Bob Floyd asked Mike McClinton if he had any suggestions and Mike McClinton stated that he had already cleaned all culverts out since the last storm on Thursday, April 11, 2024. Mike McClinton said one culvert that was previously repaired needs some fill in. Ernie McAteer stated that Mike Willis is aware of the situation and is coming back to fill in. Mayor Bob Floyd asked Mike McClinton if he would like to keep check of the culverts and let the Village know of any issues; Mike McClinton agreed. Mayor Bob Floyd asked Daniel Odom to see if he could look into funding to repair culverts. **Code Enforcement Report:** Mike Shows said he had received a call from a homeowner about a lady turning around in the homeowner's driveway when she was picking up her child from the bus and it was causing some damage to their yard. Code

enforcement spoke to lady, and she said she would not do it anymore. The owner put rocks along the driveway to prevent future damage. Mike Shows said in response to the complaint regarding the empty lot owned by Eddie Waters that Code Enforcement has sent a friendly letter to owner. **Planning Board:** Pam Mayberry stated that there are two members on the Planning Board that have been on the Board for a very long time, and they never attend meetings. Pam Mayberry said those members need to be replaced. Their terms are not up but Pam Mayberry suggested amending the Bylaws so that non-attending member can be removed. Mayor Bob Floyd stated this needed to be discussed further before any action was taken. Mayor Bob Floyd also asked if there were any replacements in mind and Pam Mayberry stated no. Mike McClinton asked if the Planning Board could be reduced to 5 members. Pam Mayberry responded that the Bylaws would have to be amended to do that. Pam Mayberry also stated that the Planning Board had discussed only having two meetings per year. **Staff Report:** Daniel Odom stated that April has been fairly light compared to last month. The funds have been received from NCLM and we are now waiting on funds from ARP. Daniel Odom said that at the next meeting there would need to be a budget amendment to pay the \$500 payment toward the \$40,000.00 granted for the repair. There have been no approved permits this month. Next month will be heavier on the NCLM improvements proposal. Mayor Bob Floyd asked if we could request proposals from other companies and Daniel Odom said yes and he assumed that as they get into the project the scope of the project can change. Mike Shows asked if the scope of the project can keep creeping and growing in expense. Daniel Odom replied that their scope will include planning level cost estimate and planning level design estimate. Mike Shows stated there are 6 culverts that are critical.

Old Business: In regard to additional Security Cameras/Speed Control-Amaro Elwood was unable to attend, however, Ernie McAteer said about a month ago or 6 weeks ago Amaro Elwood had installed cameras. Then Amaro Elwood called a couple weeks later and said while doing his research on cameras and speed limit signs he found better cameras than initially installed. Amaro Elwood installed the new cameras the week of April 8th. These cameras catch people entering in both entrances, capturing license plates of every vehicle and stores the information. The initial capture of license plates while installing provided excellent pictures of tags. They are installed and in place on entrances and working on installation on exits. Ernie McAteer is working on getting price for 2 more. Ernie McAteer guesstimates the cost to be \$2400 to 2500 for two more cameras. Ernie McAteer will talk to Amaro later on this week about cameras for exits as well. Amaro Elwood said he is getting close to getting a firm number on costs and believes it is going to be \$7,500.00 for speed limit signs tied to cameras. The original estimate was \$15,000.00 so Amaro Elwood has been able to reduce the costs to half. Ernie McAteer stated he would have more details by next meeting. Mayor Bob Floyd asked if he thought there would be grant money available for this and Daniel Odom said he did not believe so.

New Business: Culvert Evaluation Report: Mayor Bob Floyd asked Daniel Odom once he had received costs estimate to look for grants to cover culver repair expenses. Mike Shows asked if the repairs could be spread out over several years. Mayor Bob Floyd stated that the Village has six critical culverts, and more are going to become critical. Steve Huntley asked if the ARP money could be used, and Daniel Odom responded that ARP money is based on specific projects. Steve Huntley stated he believes there should be money available in grants to fix all

culverts in one year. Mayor Bob Floyd stated that there may be money to do that but a matching program would have to be found. Daniel Odom confirmed a ballpark estimate would be needed first. Mayor Bob Floyd stated yes, we need this estimate as soon as possible to work on funding. Mayor Bob Floyd asked George Robinson when does the Legislature short session begin and George Robinson stated May.

Public Comment: George Robinson stated that based on what he had heard during this meeting the culvert repair is timely. Mr. Robinson asked that the collapsed culvert in front of Lenny Younce's property be included in project, it has been a problem for years and it could cause an accident because of the runoff. Mayor Bob Floyd agreed and stated that it has been looked at several times and the council has never come up with a good solution and as the culvert project is being done all drainage issues should be identified.

Ernie McAteer made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mike Shows seconded; meeting adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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