

The regular meeting of the Village of Cedar Rock was held at Cedar Rock Country Club on May 17, 2022, at 11:30 a.m.

**Attendance:** Present were Mayor Bob Floyd, Bill Griffin, Howard Edwards, Mike Shows and Pamela Mayberry. Ernie McAteer was unable to attend.

**Call to Order:** Mayor Bob Floyd called the meeting to order.

**Adopt Agenda:** Pam Mayberry suggested that Firewise and Planning Board Reports be added to the agenda and Howard Edwards suggested adding ARP to the agenda going forward; Howard Edwards made a motion to adopt the amended agenda; Bill Griffin seconded; agenda approved.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mike Shows made a motion to adopt the minutes; Bill Griffin seconded; minutes approved.

**Committee Reports: Administrative:** No Report. **Finance:** Bill Griffin noted there was \$458,686.27 in the checking account as of April 30, 2022, and everything is in good standing. Mr. Griffin thanked Howard Edwards for assisting him in learning his responsibilities as finance officer. **Transportation:** In Ernie McAteer's absence Mayor Bob Floyd stated that he had spoken with Tyler Sime and Mr. Sime is committed to complete the project across from Dr. Cook's property so the Village will have an invoice in the current budget. Mike Shows spoke with Mr. Sime last week and they plan to drive around the Village and address which projects need attention first. Pam Mayberry mentioned overhanging trees near Dick Mitchell's property causing a similar problem. Mike Shows mentioned that he was contacted by Cindy Story concerning leaves not picked up during the leaf pick up period. Mr. Sime will review when he is working on culvert clean up. Mike Shows stated that Howard Edwards has already contacted Kings Creek Fire Department regarding the July fireworks. **Code Enforcement Report:** Mike Shows talked with Curt Willis recently regarding Waters overgrown property and Mr. Willis stated there had been some improvement. Mr. Shows stated that the Village was awarded a judgment on the property owners on Stoney Brook but thus far no payment has been received to satisfy the judgment. Mr. Shows stated that there are two options to push payment: 1) place a lien on the property and when the property is sold the judgment will be satisfied; or 2) have the Caldwell County Sheriff's office sell property of the residents to satisfy the judgment. Mayor Floyd reminded Council that Code Enforcement had mentioned sending a letter to the resident that was proposing to build a house on Rockwood Drive, but that Council had given him additional time to be a good neighbor. Curt Willis will evaluate the property and contact Mayor Floyd with his findings and Mayor Floyd will reach out to the resident regarding the status of beginning construction. **Firewise:** Pamela Mayberry informed Council that the Firewise Committee met on May 10, 2022. Nelson Brookshire, Chair conducted the meeting and announced that Pam Mayberry will be serving on the committee to report Firewise activity to Council when needed. Mr. Brookshire informed Firewise members of the Fuel Removal Program presentation at the Village's April meeting where Council decided the program would not address the debris removal issues of the Village. Mr. Brookshire distributed a 7 Easy Steps to Protect Your Home From Wildfire brochure (see attached) and it was agreed that Mr. Brookshire should draft a letter from the Firewise Committee and include the brochure and distribute to all the residents. Ms. Mayberry stated that Dick Mitchell wanted to invite members of the community to a coffee table meeting with the Publisher of the Lenoir News Topic to discuss replacing the wire service with local information from different groups in the county. **Planning Board:** Pamela Mayberry informed Council that Mike McClinton received an email from Graham and Ann Gilley with a building permit with a drawing for adding a deck with hot tub and a second building permit from Ethan Gilley with two drawings for adding a third garage and extend a covered porch on the back of his home. Mr. McClinton forwarded the documents to members of the Planning Board that reviewed, and the Planning Board agreed that the projects met set-backs and zoning and should be approved. Mike McClinton attended the meeting and informed Council that he informed the residents that they can go

forward. Mr. McClinton will inform the residents that any change to the proposed projects would have to go back before the Planning Board for approval.

**New Business: Yard Waste Removal Service:** Mayor Bob Floyd stated that he has talked with Republic Services regarding any options of debris removal and Republic stated they have no options for yard waste. Mayor Floyd talked with Tyler Sime to see if it was a service he would consider providing for the Village. Mr. Sime stated that he could but without knowing the amount of debris and how often service is needed the price could range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Mayor Floyd asked Howard Edwards his thoughts on recommending contractors to residents needing the service to which Mr. Edwards replied if it is only a small percentage of residents inquiring, the residents just need to find their own contractors for debris removal. Allison Adams with WPCOG suggested the Village contact someone with the City of Lenoir to possibly negotiate their services on a quarterly basis for debris removal. Mayor Floyd will reach out to Mayor Gibbons and report back to council.

**Old Business: Village of Cedar Rock Zoning Ordinance Revision:** Alison Adams stated there were only a couple changes to the Zoning Ordinance since our last meeting. Ms. Adams added a definition for solar panels and added conditions for placement and size restrictions. Ms. Adams also added the conservation property as a separate district. **Village of Cedar Rock Land Use Plan:** Mayor Floyd introduced Scott Berson with WPCOG to review the Village of Cedar Rock Land Use Plan with Council. Mr. Berson noted that the majority of the Land Use Plan is context with background and demographic information. Mr. Berson informed Council that he attached to the back of the Land Use Plan the residents' comments from the surveys that assisted WPCOG with what items to include in the Land Use Plan. Pam Mayberry asked if all the various sections of the Land Use Plan are required by statute? In particular she was concerned with the language in Chapter 4 Transportation and the limited options the Village has due to the narrow roads and right of ways. Mike Shows was concerned with mentioning sidewalks due to the high cost associated with installing and maintaining. Mr. Berson then reviewed with Council their Land Use Recommendations for future growth: inventorying vacant property for future development; consider annexation for future development; establish new residential land uses in key areas to allow aging in place and possible condominium units and establish zoning district for conservation land. Ms. Adams informed Council that many residents in their survey stated their concerns about what happens to property values if Cedar Rock Country Club goes under. Ms. Allison directed Council to Page 50 regarding marketing recommendations for the Village.

**Public Comment:** No public comments.

Meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Pamela Mayberry, Village Clerk

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## AGENDA

May 17, 2022

11:30 AM

### Order of Business

- Adopt Agenda
- Approval of the minutes
- Committee Reports
  - Administrative – Pam Mayberry
  - Finance – Bill Griffin
  - Transportation - Ernie McAteer
  - Code Enforcement Report – Mike Shows
- New Business
  - Yard Waste Removal Service - update
- Old Business
  - Village of Cedar Rock Zoning Ordinance Revision – Review proposed WPCOG update – Scott Berson, WPCOG
  - Village of Cedar Rock Land Use Plan – Review Draft
- Public Comment
- Adjourn