

**RANDOLPH TOWN BOARD MEETING**

Rich County Courtroom  
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March 13, 2019  
7:30 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Weston  
Lana Peart, Clerk  
Melanie Limb  
Sim Bell  
Brian Weyers

ABSENT: Larry Kennedy

GUESTS: Dusty Jackson and son, Matt Davis, Jason Erickson, Jared Huffaker, Wendy King, Lana Thomson, Kelly Thomson, Tyler Pugmire, Scott Cornia, Scott Ferguson

Mayor Weston called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. Because of the interest in the Rich County Car Show discussion, this item went first on the agenda.

The Mayor opened the discussion with a statement as to why Jared was notified that we would prefer the show be moved to another location in the park this year. We felt that we were being taken advantage of by the participants and that they were not respecting our property. The large amount of foot and motorized vehicle traffic was detrimental to the appearance of our grass and sprinkler system. The area that was set aside for the car show last year was not large enough for the number of displays and caused overcrowding and confusion. We were not in favor of the cancellation of the event, just better management and a change of location.

He also made a couple of proposals as to where the car show would be better suited. Either by closing Park Street between Main and First East and displaying the cars along both sides of the road and in the street itself, or by displaying the cars on the far north side of the park where use was not nearly so heavy. We would be willing to add some gates on that end to facilitate entry and removal of the vehicles. Park Street would just be closed during the car show hours and we would need to make accommodations for the Crawford Trough to continue to have business access. The one family that lives on that street would also need unfettered access to their home and property.

We discussed the loss of public parking by closing the street, and agreed that the visitors to the car show would need to park across the street at the Church or along Main or First East Street.

The guests at our meeting all expressed their support for the car show and its charitable causes. They had a prepared document expressing their highlights of last years event. It was never in question that the car show is a worthwhile and well attended occurrence. We had no intention of discontinuing the occasion but did feel it could be improved upon.

Many of the supporters at our meeting said they felt it could be better presented with more volunteers to help manage the participants and attendees. They were sure they could get the people necessary to make it run more smoothly. We also agreed that there should be some specific ground rules spelled out.

Melanie made the motion that the car show would be approved providing they recruit more volunteers to make the presentation more organized, display their cars on the South side of the Park on a closed Park Street with over flow on the far north side. Brian Weyers seconded the motion, approved unanimously. We plan to hold another work session with Jared in June or July to see how their plans are coming.

The majority of the guests left the meeting and we proceeded with the minutes from last month's meeting. They were moved to be approved by Sim with Brian seconding, approved unanimously.

The bills were then read with Brian moving to approve their payment, Sim seconding, approved unanimously.

We still need to get a commitment from our previous summer employees and tabled the decision how many to hire until next month. We discussed if it would be entirely necessary to hire another girl if we decided to hire one.

We discussed new wiring in the park and if it would be necessary with our new concession stand and all the activities there. We will have to see how the new building is wired when it is finished.

The Mayor said that Scott Ferguson was going to look into renting a lawn aerator from Superior Rental for the park use this year. It would save buying an expensive attachment for once a year usage.

We talked about a proposal to build an indoor arena on our property. It sounds as if this is a dead issue at this time and something we should not be concerned about. There is some discussion going on about moving the entire fairgrounds out of city limits, but this is also a long way off and a county decision to be made.

We discussed the possibility of flooding after such a heavy winter. There were already some problems up by the high school. Sim said we need to address these issues and fix the worst spots first.

Scott is watching the seasonal water storage in the reservoir up by our spring and is ready to shut the spring out of our system off when that begins.

We discussed the new IPS point system and the effect it would have on our water system report. Hopefully, we can get a few issues grandfathered into the new requirements at our next sanitary survey if not before.

We also are aware that our roads need to be sealed this summer and hope to work with the county or Woodruff on this project, using the same company when they are in our area.

The new truck purchase was discussed and bids examined. We decided to see what was available in the near future, as all bids are very similar. The State Auditor's office has been notified that we will transfer \$45,000 to our capital project fund to be in compliance with state law.

We briefly discussed upcoming municipal elections. Melanie and Sim are up for election this year and will need to declare their candidacy if they want to continue on the board.

Our source protection plan has been submitted and letters presented to the public. The annual CCR has been prepared and notice of it will go out with water bills this month.

Melanie made the motion that we dismiss at 9:00 pm, seconded by Brian agreed upon unanimously.

Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Approval \_\_\_\_\_