TOWN OF RED RIVER
TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 23, 2018
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. CALL TO ORDER
   A regular meeting of the Red River Town Council held January 23, 2018, in the Council Chambers at the Red River Conference Center. Mayor Calhoun called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

2. ROLL CALL
   Mayor Linda Calhoun Present
   Councilor Steve Cherry Present
   Councilor Dan Foley Present
   Councilor Ben Richey Present
   Councilor George Woerndle Present

3. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – January 23, 2018
   Councilor George Woerndle made a motion to approve the agenda for January 23, 2018. Councilor Steve Cherry seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 19, 2017, Regular Meeting Minutes
   Councilor Dan Foley made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Town Council Meeting on December 19, 2017. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6. DENNIS ENGINEERING PROJECT UPDATES - DWSRLF - Water Tank Phase I and USDA Treatment Plant
   Tappan Mahoney and Steve Williams from Dennis Engineering were present to provide the Council with information on the current water system projects. Steve Williams presented updates on phase 1 of the water system improvements. (See attached information) Tappan Mahoney then presented updates on the water reclamation facility upgrades. (See attached information)

7. FINANCIAL REPORT and APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR DECEMBER 2017
   Town Administrator Clerk, Georgiana Rael, reported that 50.04% of the budget has been used to date. Gross receipts for the month were as follows: construction was up 618% or almost $31,000.00, retail was down 26.66% or $8,000.00, real estate was up 97% or $12,460.00, food service and accommodations were down 2.68% or $771.00. Gross receipts for the month were up a total of 33% or $30,458.00. Year to date gross receipts were up 2.63% or $24,046.00. Lodger’s tax collected for the month was up 9.73% or $2,576.00. Year to date lodger’s tax was up 2.2% or $7,789.00.
   Councilor Steve Cherry made a motion to approve the financial report and expenditures for December 2017. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion. The motion carried.
8. COMMITTEES
   a. Public Safety
      The Public Safety Committee did not meet.
   b. Public Works/Recycling
      See attached
   c. Parks & Recreation
      See attached
   d. Lodger’s Tax Advisory Board/Economic Development
      Will report at next meeting

   • MAYOR’S REPORT
     Mayor Linda Calhoun reported that Municipal Day at Legislature is coming up on
     February 1st. Councilors George Woerndle and Dan Foley will attend. The Mayor
     attended a meeting regarding the creation of a hiking/biking trail that would
     connect Red River and Questa. It is in the beginning phases, but a very exciting
     project. The Mayor also attended the opening day of Legislature on the 16th. There
     she met with the Executive Committee and the Municipal League to discuss
     expectations from the legislative session. The Mayor also reported that the state
     has worked a deal with Amazon and are collecting tax on internet sales. As of now
     the collected taxes are not trickling down to municipalities but they are trying to fix
     the loophole. The state is also looking at redoing the municipal election code and
     moving municipal elections to November to be on cycle with county and state
     elections. The Mayor expressed concern over this as it would limit the control we
     have over our municipal elections. The Mayor reminded everyone that Municipal
     Day at Legislature is coming up on February 14th and all are encouraged to attend.
     The Mayor reported that the land conveyance, which has been 10 years in the
     works, is finally going to happen. She also reported that Memorial Weekend vendor
     packets have gone out and that this year along with performances from Busted
     Knuckles Stunt Group we will be hosting a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial
     Wall.

9. PLANNING & ZONING
   1. Recommend a Special Exception Sign Permit/ Joy of Massage - 612 West Main Street,
      Suite A
      Following discussion, Councilor Steve Cherry made a motion to accept the Planning and Zoning
      Commission’s recommendation to grant the special exception sign permit. Councilor Ben Richey
      seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took a roll call vote. Councilor Woerndle - yes,
      Councilor Foley - yes, Councilor Richey - yes, Councilor Cherry - yes. The motion carried.

   2. Recommend a Special Exception Sign Permit/ Essential O2 Bar - 417 West Main Street,
      Suite 106
      Following discussion, Councilor Ben Richey made a motion to accept the Planning and Zoning
      Commission’s recommendation to grant the special exception sign permit. Councilor Dan Foley
      seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took a roll call vote. Councilor Foley - yes,
      Councilor Cherry - yes, Councilor Richey - yes, Councilor Woerndle - yes. The motion carried.
10. NEW BUSINESS

1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF:
   a. Resolution 2018-01 Open Meetings Act
      Councilor Dan Foley made a motion to adopt the resolution. Councilor Steve Cherry
      seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took a roll call vote. Councilor Woerndle -
      yes, Councilor Foley - yes, Councilor Richey - yes, Councilor Cherry - yes. The motion
      carried.
   b. Resolution 2018-02 Merit Incentives
      Due to GRT’s being up Mayor Calhoun recommended that full-time employees receive
      $250.00 and part-time employees receive $125.00 for merit incentive. Councilor Steve
      Cherry made a motion to adopt the resolution with the amounts recommended by the
      Mayor. Councilor George Woerndle seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took
      a roll call vote. Councilor Foley - yes, Councilor Cherry - yes, Councilor Woerndle - yes,
      Councilor Richey - yes. The motion carried.
   c. Resolution 2018-03 Budget Adjustment
      This budget adjustment is for the solid waste truck and vehicle purchase for the fire
      chasers. Councilor George Woerndle made a motion to adopt the resolution. Councilor
      Steve Cherry seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took a roll call vote.
      Councilor Richey - yes, Councilor Foley - yes, Councilor Woerndle - yes, Councilor Cherry
      - yes. The motion carried.
   d. Appointment of Precinct Board for the March 6, 2018 Municipal Election
      This resolution would appoint Norma Pitts as Election Judge, Nina Elmshauser as
      Judge/Clerk, Susan Sphar as Judge/Clerk and Kelley Cherry as Alternate Judge/Clerk.
      Councilor George Woerndle made a motion to adopt the resolution. Deputy Clerk Kim
      Leach took a roll call vote. Councilor Cherry - yes, Councilor Woerndle - yes, Councilor
      Foley - yes, Councilor Richey - yes. The motion carried.

11. PUBLIC HEARING

1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF:

A Small Brewer License with on Premises Consumption and Package Sales with Patio
Service, Application #1071363, Red River Brewing Company, LLC DBA: Red River Brewing
Company, 217 West Main Street
Councilor Steve Cherry made a motion to approve the license. Councilor Ben Richey
seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took a roll call vote. Councilor Foley - yes,
Councilor Woerndle - yes, Councilor Cherry - yes, Councilor Richey - yes. The motion carried.

12. OTHER

13. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Calhoun adjourned the meeting at 8:12PM

Kim Leach, Deputy Clerk  Linda Calhoun, Mayor