# Village of Rockdale Board Meeting Minutes September 17, 2018

1. **Call Meeting to Order.** President Nelles called the regular meeting of the Rockdale Village Board to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Robert M. Smithback Community Center.

## 2. Attendance Roll Call.

Village Board Members Present: Julie Nelles, Nicholas Castle, Jeri Boden, Sandra Yearman, and Alicia Hynes (arrived at 6:02 p.m.) Village Board Members Absent: None Others Present: Steve Andersen, Terri Van Den Einde and Linda Dieckhoff

- 3. Announce Meeting/Reminder for Attendees to Sign In. President Nelles announced the meeting and reminded all visitors to sign the meeting sign-in sheet.
- 4. **Acknowledgement of Meeting Notice/Posting.** Clerk-Treasurer Dieckhoff confirmed the meeting had been properly posted.
- 5. **President's Welcome/Announcements.** President Nelles welcomed all visitors and there were no announcements.
- 6. **Preview of Agenda.** No changes.
- 7. Public Comment Two Minute Limit Per Person. None
- 8. Discussion and possible approval of Village Board draft minutes of August 20, 2018.

**Motion** by Castle, second by Yearman, to approve the draft minutes of the August 20, 2018 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

## 9. Old Business.

a. Discussion and possible action to approve draft letter regarding brush and leaf removal.

Motion by Boden, second by Castle, to approve draft letter regarding brush and leaf removal.

b. Discussion and possible action regarding unlicensed dogs in the Village.

Will follow-up more next month.

#### 10. New Business.

a. Discussion and possible action to approve The Ride on September 23, 2018.

Lucas Molloy was present and discussed the ride. Approximately 550 people have signed up and the route has changed due to road construction in Cambridge. The alternate route will come through Rockdale.

**Motion** by Boden, second by Hynes, to approve The Ride on September 23, 2018 coming through Rockdale. Motion carried 5-0.

- b. Discussion and possible approval of chicken license application for Lisa and Jesse Cox at 441 Water Street.
  Motion by Castle, second by Boden, to approve chicken license application for Lisa and Jesse Cox at 441 Water Street. Motion carried 5-0.
- c. Discussion and possible action on Sewer Utility rate increase consideration.

Steve Anderson and Terri Van Den Einde updated the board on why a rate increase was necessary. A draft letter will be presented to the board next month that will be sent to Village residents. A date of November 19, 2018 has been set for the public hearing/informational meeting in regard to the rate increase.

- d. Discussion regarding bids for the 2018 2022 Professional Auditing Services for the Village of Rockdale. The Village received two bids. There was some discussion regarding bids.
- e. Discussion and possible action to award the bid for 2018 2022 Professional Auditing Services for the Village of Rockdale. Motion by Castle, second by Boden, to award the bid for 2018 – 2022 Professional Auditing Services for the Village of Rockdale to Johnson Block as follows: 2018 - \$8,400, 2019 - \$8,650, 2020 - \$8,900, 2021 - \$9,150 and 2022 - \$9,400. Motion carried 5-0.
- f. **Discussion and possible action on 2018 garbage/recycling charge. Motion** by Hynes, second by Boden, to approve 2018 garbage/recycling charge of \$188.57 per unit. Motion carried 5-0.
- g. Discussion and possible action regarding ash tree removal at 329 Benton Street.
  Motion by Yearman, second by Hynes, to approve the removal of the ash tree at 329 Benton Street not to exceed a cost of \$1,500 and funding to come from beautification fund. Motion carried 5-0.

A resolution will be put on next month agenda to reflect amended budget approval.

h. Discussion and possible approval of Resolution 2018-05 to Amend the 2018 Adopted Budget.

**Motion** by Castle, second by Yearman, to approve Resolution 2018-05 to Amend the 2018 Adopted Budget. Motion carried 5-0.

- i. **Discussion, review and possible action regarding fee schedule. Motion** by Hynes, second by Castle, to approve the 2019 fee schedule with an increase in dog licenses to \$15 and \$10. Motion carried 5-0.
- 11. Public Comment Two Minute Limit Per Person. None

### 12. Correspondence.

- a. General Engineering August 2018 Report. Placed on file.
- b. Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals Workshop September 24, 2018. Placed on file.
- Discussion and possible approval of Treasurer's Report/Approval of Bills. Motion by Castle, second Boden, to approve the Treasurer's Report and checks #6332 - #6340, EFT and ACH payments in the amount of \$11,815.49. Motion carried 5-0.
- 14. **Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Clerk Report/Approval of Bills. Motion** by Castle, second by Yearman, to approve checks #5853 - #5859 in the amount of \$7,253.17. Motion carried 5-0.

### 15. Any Other Business.

Nelles gave an update on the Fire Commission. There was a special meeting in regard to building a new fire station. The Commission is looking at purchasing the Pizza Pit property and adjacent house dwelling. The plan is to build in five years. The property owner is willing to sell now at a cost of \$280,000 but doesn't want to lock into that price for five years when there are unknowns. The Town of Christiana is willing to purchase the property now and in five years the other municipalities will pay their share of the cost.

16. **Adjournment. Motion** by Castle, second by Hynes, to adjourn at 7:17 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda L. Dieckhoff Clerk-Treasurer