

## Town of Talking Rock Monthly Meeting Minutes

May 1st, 2025

Mayor James Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

**I. Attendance**

Board:

James Bryant

Tony Hawf

Jason Little

Lynda Cagle

Darlene O'Connell

**Town Clerk:** Amanda Buntin

**Others in attendance:**

Mari Livsey, Jene Bryant, Dust Eaton, Jim Bauman, Cheryl Sams

**II. Call Meeting to Order:**

**III. Pledge of Allegiance:**

**IV.**

**V.**

**Announcements:** Mayor Bryant discussed the Easter event that took place at the park. He thanked everyone who helped put it together and the time they all spent on it, as well as all the citizens who came out to celebrate with the town.

**VI.**

**Approval May 2025 Meeting Minutes:** A motion was made by Tony Hawf, seconded by Darlene O'Connell to approve the May 2025 meeting minutes. All voted unanimously in favor, except Caleb Gay who was not present.

**VII.**

**Approval of May 2025 Financial Reports:** A motion was made by Jason Little to approve the May 2025 Financial Reports, seconded by Lynda Cagle. All voted unanimously in favor, except Caleb Gay who was not present.

**VIII.**

**Summary of Maintenance:** Jim Baumann brought up the fact that our park needed three new fans and seven new lights. Mayor Bryant discussed it with the council and together they agreed to replace them. The council wanted it fixed before the town's annual Heritage Days Festival. Mr. Baumann announced that the shower over at the park is all fixed except a valve that is currently being shipped out to him. Mayor Bryant asked about any bug or bee problems at the park. Mr. Baumann said he sprayed them all and so far, nothing has come back. It was also discussed that a picnic table or something similar needs to be placed where the old gazebo was, under the roof that was left. There are also two swings that need new chains that Mr. Baumann said he was calling about. It was announced that the town had gotten the zero-turn mower back as well within the last week. Mayor Bryant asked Dusty Eaton to be at the meeting to give an update on the renovations of the restrooms at the train cars. Mr. Eaton explained how they were finished and there were a few of the items that were originally thought needed to be replaced but they were able to use them, this will save the town money on the project.

**IX. Old Business:**

**A. Public Hearing / Rezoning of parcel 011-018-001:** A public hearing took place before the voting of the rezoning. Mr. Mullins was the only citizen who wanted to speak at the public hearing and all the remarks are in the April meeting minutes. It was unanimously decided by the council to rezone parcel 011-018-001 from R-1 A to C-1 with LU permit.

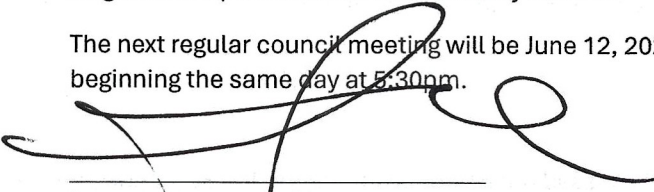
- B. **Vote on landscaping work to be done at the brewery by Tony Hawf:** The council approved for Mr. Hawf to do the work at the Brewery, Mr. Hawf also stated that the work will be done by him with no charge to the town.

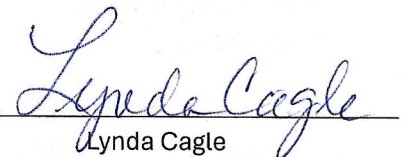
X. **New Business:**

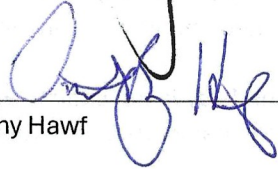
- A. **Vote on a Contract with GMA Telecommunications and Right of Way Management to Collect all future and back owed Franchise fees:** A motion was made by Darlene O'Connell to accept going into a contract agreement with GMA Telecommunications and Right of Way, seconded by Tony Hawf. All voted unanimously in favor, except Caleb Gay who was not present.
- B. **Vote on Quote Provided by Jamie Godfrey to clear out the Culverts and Drainage Ditches in Town:** A motion was made by Tony Hawf to accept, seconded by Lynda Cagle. All voted unanimously in favor, except Caleb Gay who was not present.

- XI. **Adjourn:** A motion was made by Darlene O'Connell to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lynda Cagle at 6:59pm. All voted unanimously in favor.

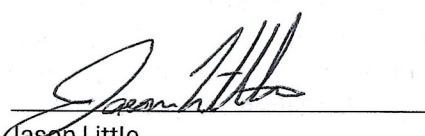
The next regular council meeting will be June 12, 2025, at 7pm with the working group session beginning the same day at 5:30pm.

  
James W. Bryant Jr. Mayor

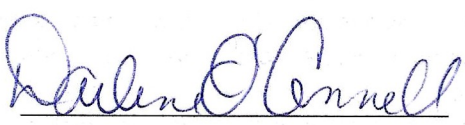
  
Lynda Cagle

  
Tony Hawf

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Caleb Gay

  
Jason Little

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Assisted by: Amanda Buntin

  
Darlene O'Connell