

TOWN OF RICHLANDS
PUBLIC HEARING

The Richlands Town Council held a “Public Hearing” on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 5:45pm in the Richlands Council Chambers with the following present:

Mayor: Rod. D. Cury
Town Manager: Jason May
Town Attorney: Mike Thomas
Finance Manager: Ronnie Campbell
Project Manager: Susan Whitt
Town Clerk: Amanda Beheler
Council Members: Seth White, Gary Jackson, Rick Wood, Jordan Bales, Jan White, and Laura Mollo

The Town Meeting was called to order at 5:45pm and opened with the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Seth White.

IN RE: Amendments to the Charter

Mr. May advised he had received two suggested changes to the Town Charter from Council members. The Council briefly discussed making the following two amendments to the Charter:

- Mr. White suggested removing the word “read” and replace with the word “presented” regarding the First and Second reading of Ordinances.
- Town Managers Residence during their tenure of office.

Mayor Cury asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak regarding these potential changes to the Town Charter.

Mr. White advised he would like to revise the current process of reading Ordinances by presenting them instead.

Mr. White also advised that he believes the Town Manager should reside within the Town Limits.

Mrs. Mollo agreed with Mr. White on both changes.

Mr. Bales asked if the Town would be ADA compliant by presenting the Ordinances instead of reading them. Mr. White advised the Town would be compliant and Ordinances would be printed and handed out.

Mrs. Mollo also advised copies would be available online as well.

Mr. Jackson agreed with both changes.

Mayor Cury also agreed with both changes. However, he stated it would need to be read to anyone that could not read to be ADA compliant.

IN RE: Public Comment

Lynna Mitchell, 406 Buchanan Street- Mrs. Mitchell asked the Council how the verbiage would change regarding the Town Manager living within Town limits during their tenure of office.

The Council discussed adding in a 6-month stipulation to the Charter, it is currently only in the Town Managers’ contract.

Mr. Thomas explained the next steps in this process.

Mr. May advised that the Council could work through the wording on these changes during the Regular Scheduled Meeting.

IN RE: Adjournment

Meeting adjourned.

Amanda Beheler
Amanda Beheler, Town Clerk

Rodney D. Cury
Rodney D. Cury, Mayor