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Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at 7:00pm

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Bradly Wade.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Wade.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Wade – Present
Vice Mayor Fowler – Present
Councilman Anthony - Present
Council Member Mullins – Present
Council Member Chambers -Present
Admin/Code – Regina Foster – Present
Public Works – Michael Johnson – Present
Police Dept – Chief Franklin - Present
Fire Department – No Representation

INTRODUCTION/ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

None

INTRODUCTIONS

None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion was made by Council Member Mullins, seconded by Vice Mayor Fowler to approve the minutes for the Regular Town Meeting on August 19, 2025, Work Session on September 9, 2025. Discussion: Councilman Anthony noted corrections. Motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS/BOARDS/COMMITTEES

- **Code Enforcement** –Regina Foster provided an oral report.
- **Public Works** – Michael Johnson provided an oral and written report.
- **Police Dept** – Chief Franklin provided an oral & written report.
- **Administration** –. provided an oral and written report.

- **Councilman Anthony** – provided an oral report.
- **Council Member Mullins** – provided an oral report.
- **Council Member Chambers** – provided an oral report.
- **Vice Mayor Fowler** – provided an oral report.
- **Mayor Wade –** provided an oral report.

MISCELLANEOUS/OPEN FORUM

- None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

LED Signs

- Mr. Dean was unable to make the scheduled meeting.
- Councilman Anthony is concerned about the extra charges and would like to see what has been paid to date.
- Town Permits will be issued this week.

Woodland Road Project

- Mayor Wade signed contract.
- Councilman Anthony reports they have run into some small issues with Miss Utility.
- Work began on Monday, September 15, 2025.
- 6800 Woodland Road has signed the Easement Agreement.
- 6712 Woodland Road will need about 50' of asphalt repairs. The cost will be $6125.00.

PGCMA

- The town will host the meeting on November 13, 2025.
- A budget and more information will be presented at the Octobers meeting.

NTI

- Councilman Anthony has gotten estimates on replacing the battery backup for the Server. First from Amazon and the other from NTI.
- The recommendation is to purchase the smart switch from Amazon for $504.00 and add the warranty for $65.00.

Motion was made by Councilman Anthony, seconded by Vice Mayor Fowler, to purchase the Smart Switch for the Battery Back-Up and warranty for the server. No further discussion was had. All voted aye. Motion carried.

VSP Graphics

- The graphics were approved last month but still seeking quotes to have them installed on the vehicles.
- Chief Franklin will bring more information to the next meeting.

MML PEA Policy

- Chief Franklin reports that MML PEA will require dual signatures on checks issued and take away debit/credit card usage by the MML PEA Officers.
- They will assume full control over the spending by the MML PEA.
- MML will also require a "Justification Report" and will need prior approval of all expenditures.
- Mayor and Council will support MML PEA keeping control of their finances and MML should not get the access they want.

Towing Service & Impound Fees

- The police department was notified that the current tow company, Andrews Towing, will be closing effective September 15, 2025.
- Arrangements were made with Ryon's Towing to start services effective September 16, 2025.
- Chief Franklin proposes raising the Impound Fee from $100.00 to $150.00 to stay in line with other departments.

Motion was made by Council Member Mullins, seconded by Council Member Chambers to increase the Impound fees to $150.00 as of October 1, 2025. No further discussion was had. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Local Government Investment Policy

- Mayor and Council need additional time to review.
- Table until October's Meeting.

Bayside Snowplow & Salt Box

- Mayor Wade thinks this would be a useful tool to help with the courts and sidewalks.
- Councilman Anthony not sure if its needed.
- Additional discussion ensued.
- Table until October's meeting.

Bobcat Attachments

- Table until October's meeting

Automated Enforcement Revenue

- Chief Franklins provided the Mayor and Council with an Automated Enforcement Report for the month of August 2025.
- Mayor and Council discussed opening a new account for just the Automated Enforcement Programs.
- They have decided to open an account with M&T Bank.

Motion was made by Council Member Mullins, seconded by Vice Mayor Fowler to open a new account with M&T Bank for the sole purpose of using it for the "Automated Enforcement" programs. No further discussion was had. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Communication Calendar

- FYI
- Councilman Anthony would like to see more information on the calendars such as names of employee's birthdates and not adding off-site events.

Emergency Road Repairs

- Council Member Mullins noted that about 300sq feet of asphalt needs to be repaired at 6507 Randolph Rd.
- L & S Dirt Works has submitted an estimate for $5475.00 to make the necessary repairs.

Motion was made by Council Member Mullins, seconded by Councilman Anthony to make the Emergency Repairs at 6507 Randolph Rd. in the amount of $5475.00. No further discussion was had. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Automated Enforcement Rate Change

- Effective October 1, 2025, the Speed Monitoring System under House Bill 182 will raise fines based on speed.
- The new rates will replace the current violation amount of $40.00.
- Fines will now range from $40.00 to $425.00 per violation.

PAY BILLS

Motion was made by Council Member Mullins, seconded by Councilman Anthony to pay the bills for August 20, 2025 – September 16, 2025, in the amount of $82,265.56. All voted aye. Motion carried.

OPEN FORUM –

- None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Regina Foster

Regina Foster/Administrative Associate