

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

TOWN OF CHASE CITY, VA

Monday, April 13, 2026 at 7:00 PM

525 North Main Street, Chase City VA 23924

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MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm, on April 13, 2026, by Mayor Alden Fahringer.

PRESENT

Mayor Alden Fahringer

Council Member Brenda Hatcher

Vice-Mayor James Bohannon

Council Member Pauline Keeton

Council Member Michelle Wilson

Council Member Latrisha McCargo

Town Manager Dusty Forbes

ABSENT

Council Member Marshall Whitaker

Invocation

Mayor Alden Fahringer led everyone in an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizen's Recognition

Derrick Bowers, 11384 Highway 92, Chase City, VA 23924, expressed appreciation to the Town Manager for arranging the installation of "No Smoking" signs at the basketball court. He inquired about the possibility of extending the fence to enhance safety for children using the area. Mr. Bowers also requested consideration for the installation of speed bumps on Endly Street, along with "Children at Play" signage, citing concerns for neighborhood safety. He concluded his remarks by thanking all those who attended the recent basketball event held at the YMCA.

Consent Agenda

1. The minutes from 3/9/26 meeting submitted to the Town Council for approval.
Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Keeton.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Old Business

New Business

2. Bills paid in the month of March.

Motion made by Council Member Keeton, Seconded by Council Member McCargo.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

3. Report to Council/Operating Budget March 2026.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Hatcher.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

4. The Charge Off Report for March 2026 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Council Member Keeton, Seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

5. The Chase City Police Department report for March 2026 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Council Member Keeton, Seconded by Council Member Wilson.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

6. The Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report for the March 2026 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Hatcher.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

7. The Public Work Department report for March 2026 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Hatcher.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

8. CCVFD Annual Election Results submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Hatcher.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Mayor/Council Comments

Mayor Alden Fahringer began by reminding everyone of the upcoming Fish Fry event scheduled for May 2, encouraging attendance and noting it is both enjoyable and a meaningful community tradition. He stated the event is expected to begin around 5:00 p.m. He expressed appreciation to local churches, town staff, and all volunteers who contributed to the recent Easter egg hunt, noting it was a successful event for the children. He specifically acknowledged the donation of hot dogs from Castle Butcher Shop and the Fire Department for preparing the food. He thanked all who contributed to making the well-attended event possible and expressed a desire to see increased church involvement in future community events for children. Mayor Fahringer also extended thanks to those who have offered support,

thoughts, and prayers for Council Member Whitaker and his family, and asked that the community continue to keep them in their prayers. He concluded his remarks by announcing the upcoming Healthy Kids event at the local YMCA, scheduled for that weekend at 9:00 a.m., and encouraged community participation, noting that the Fire Department would also be in attendance.

Vice Mayor James Bohannon followed, reminding attendees of the Fly-In event scheduled for May 23 and encouraging community participation. He also expressed his support and prayers for the Whitaker family and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Council Member Brenda Hatcher concluded this portion of the meeting by requesting continued thoughts and prayers for the Whitaker family.

With no further comments from Council, the Mayor closed the Mayor and Council Comments portion of the meeting.

Town Manager's Oral Report

Town Manager Dusty Forbes opened his report by thanking all those in attendance for coming to the meeting. He announced a groundbreaking ceremony for the Lee Building scheduled for April 24, 2026, at 11:00 a.m., and requested the Fire Department's participation in the event. Mr. Forbes reported that Baskerville Department of Corrections has provided manpower assistance for sidewalk edging projects and expressed appreciation for their support. He provided an update on the Madison Street project, noting that work is ongoing but experienced a delay due to a water line break earlier in the day. He stated that the issue has since been resolved and that a boil water notice has been issued for affected and surrounding streets and residents. Mr. Forbes also reported recent incidents involving dangerous dogs. He stated that three dogs were euthanized after killing another dog, and an additional dog was euthanized after attacking and injuring a police officer. In light of these events, he recommended that the Town consider establishing a local Animal Control Officer position, as assistance from the County is not always readily available. He further noted that efforts are underway to address junk vehicles throughout the Town. Mr. Forbes reported that the demolition of 333 Walker Street is moving forward following legal review, with work anticipated to begin in early May. He concluded his report by addressing citizen Derrick Bowers' requests regarding speed bumps, signage, and fencing, stating that these items are included in the Town's upcoming July budget.

Items addressed in the Town Manager Oral Report:

CONTACTS/MEETINGS:

- IDA monthly
- B Street monthly
- Lee Building / CC Lofts Project April 24, 2026, 11:00am - Groundbreaking

STREETS:

- Sidewalk Edging N. Main Street assisted by DOC Baskerville Corrections

WATER/SEWER:

- E Street Water and Sewer lines completed
- Work continues on Madison Street
- New Sewer tap for Mecca building.
- Water tower repairs and painting complete. Filling to begin this week with testing.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- Multiple Dangerous Dogs incidents that are now resolved.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Planning Committee recommended approval of two code changes. Public Hearings will take place at the next two Town Council Meetings. Up for review is a complete rewrite of Junk Vehicle Code and updates to Zoning Setbacks for all residential districts.
- 333 Walker Street demolition moving forward in early May of 2026.

Adjournment

Mayor Alden Fahringer thanked all attendees for their participation, and, with no further business to come before the body, adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Alden Fahringer, Mayor

**Robert C. Carwile III, Clerk of
Council**