

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

TOWN OF CHASE CITY, VA

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 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 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Alden Fahringer.

PRESENT

Mayor Alden Fahringer

Town Manager Dusty Forbes

Vice-Mayor James Bohannon

Council Member Marshall Whitaker

Council Member Brenda Hatcher

Council Member Pauline Keeton

Council Member Michelle Wilson

Council Member Latrisha McCargo

Invocation

Citizen's Recognition

Derrick Bowers of 11384 Hwy Ninety-Two, Chase City addressed members of the Town Council. He wanted to thank the town for supporting the basketball event honoring coach Lancaster. He is disappointed that the solar farm did not go through for Chase City. Chase City needs the money since two businesses are closing. He is still advocating to get fence around the basketball court and lights too. Mayor Fahringer and Town Manager Forbes spoke about upcoming job fairs and outside support to help people that are losing their jobs. Microsoft is offering an event to help people learn how to do their resume and Lunenburg Department of Correction is having a job fair later this month.

Consent Agenda

1. The minutes from the 9/8/25 meeting submitted to the Town Council for approval.
Motion made by Council Member Whitaker, Seconded by Council Member Hatcher.
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Old Business

New Business

2. Bills Paid in the Month of September 2025

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

3. Report to Council/Operating Budget September 2025.

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

4. The Charge off report for September 2025 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 Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

5. The Chase City Volunteer Fire Department Report for September 2025 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Mayor Fahringer read through the Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report and commented on a great rodeo this year. The FFA club did an excellent job cleaning up.

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

6. The Public Works Department report for September 2025 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

The Mayor read over the September 2025 Chase City Public Works Report and thanked the public works employees for all they do.

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

7. The Chase City Police Department report for September 2025 Submitted to the Town Council for approval.

The Mayor read over the September 2025 Chase City Police Department report and thanked the police department for their efforts.

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

8. Zoning Application for Conditional Use (316 Mecklenburg Drive)

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

9. Water and Sewer Tap Increase

Vice-Mayor Bohannon asked if \$1,500 was for water and \$1,500 was for sewer. Town Manager Forbes said yes. He had a display of parts for a larger project with prices on each part for reference. The larger job cost \$3,560 without including labor and rock. Currently we are losing money. Council Member Wilson asked why do we need taps. Town Manager Forbes responded because of new services or rehab of old lines. Vice-Mayor Bohannon asked if we are still losing money at the new suggested rate. Town Manager Forbes suggested charging cost plus \$300 per tap.

Motion to increase water and sewer tap fees by cost plus \$300 made by Council Member Wilson, Seconded by Council Member McCargo.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

10. Hangar Rent Increase

Motion to increase hangar rent to \$125 beginning January 2026 made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Seconded by Council Member Whitaker.

Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo

Mayor/Council Comments

Mayor Fahringer stated that the Fire department would be hosting the rodeo again next year on October 3, 2026. The Fire department also has a stew coming up on November 1, 2025. He appreciates the local support on events here. Volunteerism is needed for lots of different groups, and he encourages people to join. Mayor Fahringer wants the public to know that the Town is aware of the layoffs surrounding the area and is trying to help with the problem.

Vice-Mayor Bohannon commented on how nice the airport looked with the new pavement. The last Fly In will be October 25, 2025.

Council Member Wilson announced that the Trunk or Treat will be at the Pavilion on October 31, 2025. Call Tina Woods at the Chamber to join in.

Council Member Whitaker told everyone to come out and enjoy a free breakfast at the Fly In. He commented on the Fire Department having a stew the 1st Saturday in November. He echoed the Mayor's sentiments on the rodeo growing every year. The Fire Department will be serving hotdogs again this year at the Trunk or Treat.

Council Member Keeton reminded everyone that Election day is November 4, 2025 and you need to exercise your right to vote.

Town Manager's Oral Report

Contacts/ Meetings - Bev Wood for Mecca Water Service, Virginia Main Street Clarksville, Tobacco Commission / Echelon Resources, B&B, Contractors for WWTP Expansion, and Town Employee Leadership

Streets - Fall Clean Up Week October 14 – 17 and Star site cleanup

Water/Sewer - Tim and Zach attended annual conference

WWTP/ Landfill - Meeting with contractors on improvements to WWTP

Police Dept - Received Accreditation Grant of \$218,000. CCPD was 1 of only 8 recipients nationwide.

Airport - Runway project 95% complete.

Fund Request - \$8,000 for Bucket truck maintenance. Asked Council to vote on using contingency funds for this expense.

Motion to use \$8,000 from contingency funds to repair Bucket truck made by Council Member Whitaker, Seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohannon. Voting Yea: Council Member Brenda Hatcher, Vice-Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Whitaker, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo.

There will be a joint closed session with the IDA and Council on October 20, 2025 at 5:30 to discuss Real Estate.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Alden Fahringer, Mayor

**Virginia G. Walker Assistant Town
Manager/Treasurer**