

# **TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

**TOWN OF CHASE CITY, VA**

**Monday, March 10, 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 by Mayor Alden Fahringer at 7:00 p.m.

### **PRESENT**

Mayor Alden Fahringer

Council Member Brenda Hatcher

Vice-Mayor James Bohannon

Council Member Marshall Whitaker

Council Member Pauline Keeton

Council Member Michelle Wilson

Council Member Latrisha McCargo

Town Manager Dusty Forbes

### **Invocation**

Mayor Fahringer led everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

### **Citizen's Recognition**

Mayor Fahringer asked for public comments.

Mr. James Borowski of 430 Walker Street, Chase City, VA 23924, asked what our Public Works department was using to fill pot holes. Public Works director Donald Long responded that it is with cold patch. Mr. Borowski suggested using blacktop. Mayor Fahringer stated that the temperatures actually needed to warm up before the streets could be repaired effectively.

Derrick Bowers came forward and invited everyone to attend and to participate in a basketball tournament at the former Bluestone High School on March 29 and March 30, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

### **Consent Agenda**

Motion made by Council Member Keeton to accept the consent agenda as presented. It was 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.

1. The minutes from 02/10/2025 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

## Old Business

Town Manager Dusty Forbes requested funding for a sewer camera. Vice Mayor Bohannon asked how often was the camera needed and is it in a protective box. Timmy Bohannon said that it was hard to say exactly how many times that it is used per month because sometimes it will be needed more than others, but it will be used to find problems and identify what kind of pipes are being used. The camera that has been considered to purchase does have a protective box. He suggested to purchase it sooner rather than later as the price continues to rise. Town Manager Forbes stated that the Town of South Hill is no longer loaning theirs out and the one that the Town of Clarksville has is currently out of order, so borrowing one is not an option. A motion was made by Council Member Keeton and seconded by Council Member McCargo to purchase a sewer camera. Voting yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Vice Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson and Council Member McCargo.

## New Business

3. Bills Paid in the Month of February 2025.  
Motion made by Vice-Mayor Bohannon to accept the bills paid for February 2025. It was seconded by Council Member Hatcher.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Vice Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo.
4. Report to Council/Operating Budget February 2025.  
Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to accept the February 2025 report to council. It was seconded by Council Member Keeton.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Vice Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo.
5. The February 2025 charge off report submitted to the Town Council for approval.  
Motion made by Council Member Keeton to accept the February 2025 charge off report as presented. It was seconded by Council Member McCargo.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Vice Mayor Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo.
6. The Chase City Police Department report for February 2025 submitted to the Town Council for approval.  
Motion made by Council Member Whitaker to accept the Police Department report for February 2025 as presented. It was seconded by Vice Mayor Bohannon.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Hatcher, Council Member Whitaker, Vice Mayor

Bohannon, Council Member Keeton, Council Member Wilson, Council Member McCargo.

Mayor Fahringer read through the report and thanked all the officers for all they do each day. Police Chief J A Jordan added that the officers have made several stops for farm use vehicles not having an actual farm use tag which is now required.

Council Member Whitaker asked about the upcoming neighborhood watch program. Chief Jordan commented that it will begin in May.

7. The public works report for February 2025 submitted to the Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Bohannon to accept the public works report for February 2025 as presented. It was seconded by Council Member Keeton.

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

Mayor Fahringer read through the report and commented many thanks to the Public Works Department. Public Works Director Donnie Long commented that the new piping has been started on Ogburn Street.

8. The Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report for February 2025 submitted to Town Council for approval.

Motion made by Council by Vice Mayor Bohannon to accept the Chase City Volunteer Fire Department report for December 2024 as presented. It was seconded by Council Member Keeton.

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

Mayor Fahringer read through this report and thanked the firefighters for all they do.

### **Mayor/Council Comments**

Mayor Alden Fahringer informed everyone that there will be an Easter celebration on April 19, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. at the pavilion. There will be filled eggs to hunt and the Easter bunny will also be there. The Chase City Volunteer Fire Department will be providing hot dogs.

Vice Mayor James Bohannon apologized if anyone was offended at the February 10, 2025 town council meeting by his comments. He stated that he does not feel like he is stuck in the past and his job is to look after the best interest of the town. He is not against selling the Lee property, but does not want to give it away either. He reminded everyone that the fly ins will begin at the airport in April. Vice Mayor Bohannon also thanked everyone that attended the meeting.

Council Member Brenda Hatcher thanked the Police Department for all of their hard work and a special thanks to the Public Works Department for their work and finding her water leak.

Council Member McCargo thanked all the first responders and all of the town employees.

Council Member Marshall Whitaker stated that the Fire Department has been down in vehicles, as one is still being refurbished and another one went down during all of the rainy weather, but hopefully it can be fixed in a day or two. Getting the truck refurbished will save money as well as time as a new one will take years to receive. He also stated that he is pleased with all of the mutual aid that is received from all of the other companies. And the Fire Department is always looking for volunteers.

### **Town Manager's Oral Report**

**Party at the Pavillion**—Town Manager Dusty Forbes informed everyone that the Party at the Pavillion will begin in June and continue until September.

**Farmers Market Startup**—A Farmer's Market will be started in May by Tina Wood and Sandra Crowder. It will be open on the second Saturday's from 8:00-12:00 from May-September.

**Meetings**—Town Manager Forbes has attended several meetings in the past month. Southside Planning District Commission about Hazard Mitigation Planning. Data Center Development with Senator Mulchi, Wayne Carter, and Alex Gottschaulk. Chase City Community Services Board. Council Committee and Departmental Budget Meetings for upcoming year's budget. Microsoft Sewer Project Development. Colgate Developer.

**Streets**—The Ogburn Street repair project has begun.

**Water/Sewer**—B Street water and sewer project work has been completed.

**WWTP**—Work continues with Microsoft project meetings.

**Police Department**—The engine for the Ford Taurus has been installed. Now, the Dodge Charger needs an engine replacement also.

**Airport**—Request for new grant submission for runaway project. Also, the Marine Corps will be using the facilities for training this week.

**Spring Cleanup**—This year's Spring Cleanup will be April 14-18. The town will pick up such items as debris, appliances, household items, etc. at no charge.

**Ballpark**—Special thanks go out to Jenna DeSantis and Marshall Whitaker for stepping up and starting up the ballpark again. There were 150 parents and 129 children that showed up at the meeting to participate. They were able to have 12 teams. Also, a special thanks to Josh Whitten for volunteering to tend to the field.

**Shop**—Poonie is still out for medical issues. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

### **Closed Session**

Mayor Fahringer called for a closed session for Real Estate.

Upon reconvening there was a roll call vote that nothing was discussed except Real Estate.

Council Member Brenda Hatcher-Yea, Council Member Marshall Whitaker-Yea, Vice-Mayor James Bohannon-Yea, Council Member Pauline Keeton-Yea, Council Member Michelle Wilson-Yea, Council Member Latrisa McCargo-Yea.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 P.M.

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**Alden Fahringer, Mayor**

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**Rhita Burton, Clerk of Council**