

MINUTES
WARSAW TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2026

The Warsaw Town Council held its regular meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at 78 Belle Ville Lane, Warsaw, Virginia. Council members present: Mayor Randall L. Phelps, Vice-Mayor Paul G. Yackel, Patrick Stone, Jonathan English, Daphne Palmore, Mary Beth Bryant, and Ralph Self. Councilman Bobby Walters was absent.

Town staff present included Town Manager Joseph Quesenberry, Assistant Town Manager Missy Coates, Police Chief Barry Radden, Director of Public Works Jesse Schools, and Treasurer & Clerk Julia Blackley-Rice.

Approximately 2 others were present in the Council Chambers.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Phelps called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the consent agenda, including the meeting minutes and financial report. One correction was noted to change an inaccurate reference from "Councilwoman" to "Councilman" by Councilwoman Palmore. Councilwoman Palmore moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stone and carried with the following votes.

Randall L. Phelps	Aye	Paul Yackel	Aye
Mary Beth Bryant	Aye	Jonathan English	Aye
Daphne Palmore	Aye	Ralph Self	Aye
Patrick Stone	Aye		

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Phelps opened the floor for public comment. No one requested to speak, and the public comment portion of the meeting was closed.

REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Phelps deferred his comments throughout the meeting and saved them for later.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Quesenberry announced that Richmond County Fire and Emergency Services would host a review and tour of its Firefighter I classrooms on September 10, 2026, following the regular Board of Supervisors meeting. Town personnel and Council members were invited to attend, per Councilwoman Bryant.

A joint ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new basketball courts at Rappahannock Community College is scheduled for Wednesday, September 2, at 11:00 a.m. Mr. Quesenberry also reported continued outreach regarding a potential hotel project within Town limits. Staff had contacted an innovative Shenandoah Valley hotel developer and provided the project pro forma developed through prior grant funding. He stated that discussions had been encouraging and that Council would be updated as the concept progresses.

Mr. Quesenberry thanked Council members, Town staff, law-enforcement and emergency services partners, Main Street representatives, and community sponsors for supporting National Night Out despite inclement weather. He noted community contributions of \$1,000 and \$1,500 toward the event. He further announced that the memorial plaque honoring former Councilwoman Hubert had arrived and would be installed at the Town ballpark, with a dedication tentatively planned during Warsaw Fest on Saturday, October 10.

Sidewalk improvements continued on Main Street near the Rice-Packett Real Estate office, leaving two parcels to be completed before the Pinehurst neighborhood is safely connected to Main Street. Staff anticipated addressing the remaining parcels in a future fiscal year and explained that the Town generally proceeds when property owners donate the necessary easements. The Town budgets approximately \$30,000 annually for sidewalk work, and the next segment was estimated at approximately \$15,000. The Town also planned additional brick-paver improvements near the former Wardico building.

In response to a question from Councilman English regarding delinquent obligations associated with the former Old Rappahannock businesses, Mr. Quesenberry reported significant improvement in current meals tax and utility payments under new management. Staff noted, however, that no recent payment had been received on the separate Industrial Revitalization Fund obligation. Staff agreed to provide Council with additional detail at the next meeting.

A copy of the Town Manager's report is attached to these minutes as Attachment 1.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Radden reviewed the monthly Police Department statistics included in the meeting packet. He reported that the department was fully staffed, operating cohesively, and continuing routine patrols at the new basketball courts. Although officers had received occasional calls regarding individuals remaining after hours and leaving litter, no significant public-safety concerns had arisen. Chief Radden thanked Council, staff, the Richmond County Sheriff's Office, Richmond County Emergency Services, and Ellen Copeland for their support of National Night Out. He also announced the hiring of Officer Jose Martinez and expressed confidence that Officer Martinez would be an excellent addition to the department.

Councilman Self requested an update on a proposed ordinance addressing engine braking. Chief Radden stated that Town counsel was preparing the ordinance. Mr.

Quesenberry anticipated that the Ordinance Committee would meet before the September meeting so the proposed ordinance could be considered for adoption.

A copy of the Police Chief's report is attached to these minutes as Attachment 2.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

A copy of the Public Works Director's report is attached to these minutes as Attachment 3. Mr. Schools attributed the higher maximum influent flow to substantial rainfall during July.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT

No committee reports were presented.

PLANNING COMMISSION

No meeting was held.

NORTHERN NECK REGIONAL JAIL REPORT

Vice-Mayor Yackel reported that the Northern Neck Regional Jail had completed a new website well ahead of an April 2027 target date and was continuing minor refinements to ensure compliance with state and federal requirements. Jail staff provide approximately 184 to 206 inmate programs each month, including educational, reentry, in-person, and online opportunities for eligible participants. He further reported that a review of an inmate death earlier in the year found that Jail personnel had acted appropriately and that no fault was identified. Representatives of the United States Marshals Service had also toured the facility and responded favorably to its operations and programs.

OLD BUSINESS

74 Main Street Project: Mr. Quesenberry presented an updated financial and operational plan for redevelopment of 74 Main. He reviewed the Town's efforts, in coordination with Town counsel and the project architect, to recover funds through the former contractor's performance bond and to complete a compliant rebidding process. Initial replacement bids exceeded available funding; accordingly, the project was rebid after potential contractors were asked to identify value-engineering opportunities. Revised sealed bids were due at noon on the following Monday, after which staff expected to identify the lowest qualified bidder. Staff reported that the responding firms had submitted strong qualifications and references and that substantial completion was targeted for December.

The proposed restaurant tenant would contribute \$214,200 toward capital improvements in exchange for a five-year lease without monthly rent. The restaurant buildout, ventilation, and related permanent improvements would remain with the Town. Staff estimated a potential performance-bond recovery of approximately \$175,000, proposed redirecting approximately \$105,625 that otherwise would be placed in enterprise and general fund reserves, and identified approximately \$84,161

remaining from the original loan proceeds. These sources totaled approximately \$578,986. Estimated project costs included approximately \$1.2 million for construction and retirement of the existing loan balance.

To account conservatively for the possibility that bond proceeds might be delayed or reduced, staff recommended authorization for financing not to exceed \$1.271 million. The working financing scenario assumed a 30-year amortization, a 15-year term with a balloon payment, and an estimated 6.38% interest rate, producing a monthly payment of approximately \$8,114. After accounting for the approximately \$2,500 monthly payment already budgeted on the existing loan and a conservative estimate of \$3,000 per month in new meals tax revenue, the projected new net debt-service impact was approximately \$2,614 per month, or \$31,368 annually. Mr. Quesenberry noted that the Town currently contributes more than \$100,000 annually to reserves and that additional revenues were anticipated from Project Shad and planned residential development; no tax increase was projected as necessary for the project.

Council discussed the initial rent-free period, the method for setting rent after year five, the durability of the restaurant concept, potential effects on existing restaurants, parking availability, farmers-market operations, long-term public use, and the building's resale value as a Town-owned asset. Staff explained that the restaurant would have a first opportunity to continue the lease at a future rate developed with Town counsel and based on comparable properties. If the initial restaurant departed, the completed commercial kitchen and permanent improvements would remain, making the space more marketable to a successor tenant. The tenant would also support daily security, opening and closing, and interior cleanliness. Staff emphasized that the concept offered a different food option, would increase downtown foot traffic, provide climate-controlled community gathering space, support Town and nonprofit events, and complete a major element of the Town's revitalization strategy.

Council acknowledged the delays and increased costs caused by the former contractor's failure to perform and the complexity of the bond-recovery process. Staff stated that available equipment would be evaluated for reuse or resale, that inflationary increases were being documented as part of the bond claim, and that the conservative financing request did not assume receipt of the anticipated bond recovery. Council generally concluded that both the short- and long-term financial risks were manageable and that the completed facility would become a significant community asset.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Council authorized the Town Manager to enter into a loan agreement in an amount not to exceed \$1.271 million and to execute a construction contract with the lowest qualified bidder for completion of the 74 Main Street project. Councilman Stone made the motion, and it was seconded by Councilwoman Bryant with the following votes:

Randall L. Phelps	Aye	Paul Yackel	Aye
Mary Beth Bryant	Aye	Jonathan English	Aye
Daphne Palmore	Aye	Ralph Self	Aye
Patrick Stone	Aye		

DHCD Housing Rehabilitation Project: Mrs. Coates reported that the Department of Housing and Community Development housing project was substantially complete. Homeowners had received keys to the two replacement homes, deeds and titles had been transferred, and three additional rehabilitation projects had been completed. A community ribbon cutting was scheduled for September 10 at 5:15 p.m. at 171 Belle Ville Lane, followed by light refreshments. Council members, the Planning District Commission, the Planning Commission, the project committee, and participating homeowners would be invited. Mrs. Coates noted that several minor warranty items at one new home were being addressed with Clayton Homes and that the homeowners remained appreciative of the project.

Project Shad: Mr. Quesenberry reported that Town staff had participated in a 13-person coordination meeting with the developer, engineers, and the Virginia Department of Transportation. Discussion continued regarding whether a traffic signal should be installed at the Commerce Parkway access point. Although projected traffic volume did not independently warrant a signal, VDOT had identified a potential safety concern involving tractor-trailers crossing or temporarily blocking travel lanes. Responsibility for a future signal remained under discussion because additional County-owned Commerce Park property could generate more traffic as it develops.

Staff had also negotiated a proposed cash proffer of approximately \$250,000 for the Town to construct a five-foot-wide sidewalk linking the project, the Commerce Park bus stop, and Main Street. The facility is expected to employ approximately 300 people, increasing to approximately 500 to 600 during the holiday season. Councilman Self requested consideration of bicycle access; staff agreed to explore whether VDOT could provide a designated bicycle lane or related pavement markings. Town review of the approximately 300-page project plans had been completed, and staff reported that the project continued to progress positively.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICE AND PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLE LOAN AUTHORIZATION

Treasurer & Clerk Blackley-Rice reported that the Police Department and Public Works vehicles approved in the FY2027 budget had both arrived and were slightly below the amounts budgeted. The proposed financing would be secured by an existing certificate of deposit to obtain the Town's best available five-year interest rate. Upon motion duly made and seconded, Council authorized Town Manager Joseph Quesenberry to execute the loan documents for both vehicles. Councilwoman Palmore made the motion, and it was seconded by Councilman Stone with the following votes:

Randall L. Phelps	Aye	Paul Yackel	Aye
Mary Beth Bryant	Aye	Jonathan English	Aye
Daphne Palmore	Aye	Ralph Self	Aye
Patrick Stone	Aye		

RESOLUTION REQUESTING WATERWORKS INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Mr. Quesenberry presented a resolution requesting \$3 million in General Assembly funding for waterworks infrastructure efficiency improvements. Because of changing groundwater conditions and regulatory requirements, the Town's renewed water-withdrawal permit is expected to require replacement of the main well within approximately three years. Funding would also support a digital meter-reading system to improve leak detection, usage monitoring, and efficiency. The resolution noted Warsaw's operation of the only public water system in Richmond County, its location within Virginia's coastal plain aquifer system, projected withdrawal of approximately 1.2 billion gallons over the next 15 years, and the project's financial burden on approximately 2,300 residents.

Representatives of Senator Richard Stuart and Delegate Hillary Pugh Kent encouraged the Town to submit a formal request supported by the resolution, regulatory documentation, estimates, and evidence of need. Council considered seeking a regulatory exemption, but staff advised that an exemption would only delay the requirement and create a future compliance issue. Council also asked whether additional water-line modernization could be incorporated into the request.

Vice-Mayor Yackel moved to adopt the resolution requesting \$3 million in funding assistance from the Virginia General Assembly for replacement of the Town's main well and installation of a digital meter-reading system. Councilman Self seconded the motion, which carried unanimously with the following votes:

Randall L. Phelps	Aye	Paul Yackel	Aye
Mary Beth Bryant	Aye	Jonathan English	Aye
Daphne Palmore	Aye	Ralph Self	Aye
Patrick Stone	Aye		

A copy of the Infrastructure Assistance Request Resolution is attached to these minutes as Attachment 4.

WESTROCK TIMBER-THINNING PROPOSAL

Council reviewed a WestRock proposal to thin pulpwood trees on Town property near the treatment plant to promote healthier timber growth. Because some parcels may overlap with or affect the proposed Dominion Energy solar project, Mayor Phelps requested consultation with the Town's forestry adviser before any action. By consensus, Council deferred the proposal to the September agenda pending evaluation of the potential contractual overlap. No formal motion was made.

CLOSED SESSION

Vice-Mayor Yackel moved that Council enter Closed Session under § 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia for a personnel matter involving the Town Manager and § 2.2-3711(A)(7) for consultation with legal counsel regarding Earthcrafters. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously with the following votes:

Randall L. Phelps	Aye	Paul Yackel	Aye
Mary Beth Bryant	Aye	Jonathan English	Aye
Daphne Palmore	Aye	Ralph Self	Aye
Patrick Stone	Aye		

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Upon returning to Open Session, Council conducted the certification required by § 2.2-3712(D) of the Code of Virginia. Each member certified, to the best of his or her knowledge, that only the personnel and legal matters identified in the motion convening the Closed Session were discussed. The certification was adopted unanimously by roll-call vote as follows:

Randall L. Phelps	Aye	Paul Yackel	Aye
Mary Beth Bryant	Aye	Jonathan English	Aye
Daphne Palmore	Aye	Ralph Self	Aye
Patrick Stone	Aye		

No action was taken as a result of the Closed Session.

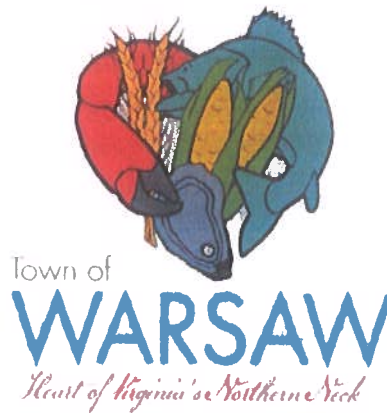
COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Councilman Self mentioned that summer is flying by and that local kids started school today. He wishes them the best of luck this year.
- Councilwoman Bryant stated she was the first person to dunk Officer Miller at National Night Out and that it was a good meeting.
- Councilman Stone reminded everyone to drink water and stay cool.
- Councilwoman Palmore stated she was looking forward to cooler weather.
- Councilman English gave his prayers to New Castle & sympathies to Joseph for his car accident. He also stated that he went to Front Royal for baseball & heard good things about Warsaw and the Town Manager.
- Vice-Mayor Yackel apologized for not making it to National Night Out.
- Mayor Phelps stated that he was excited about 74 Main Street.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.


Submitted by: Julia Blackley-Rice, Clerk of Council



MEMORANDUM

TO: Warsaw Town Council

FROM: Joseph N. Quesenberry, Town Manager

DATE: 08/13/2026

RE: Town Manager's Report

Dear Council Members,

Please find my Town Manager's report for the month of July and the beginning of August. As always, please let me know if you have any questions or wish to discuss any items further.

1. Basketball Court Ribbon Cutting

In celebration of another project completed by the partnership formed between RCC, Richmond County, and the Town of Warsaw, we will be holding a joint ribbon cutting ceremony at 11AM on Wednesday, September 2nd at the new basketball court area. Please join us if you are available on this date and time.

2. Hotel Project

Town staff continue to pursue a potential hotel project within Town limits. We recently contacted an innovative hotel developer in the Shenandoah Valley area to discuss a potential property here, also providing them with the proforma that we received grant funds for in 2023/2024. We will keep you posted as this progresses.

3. National Night Out

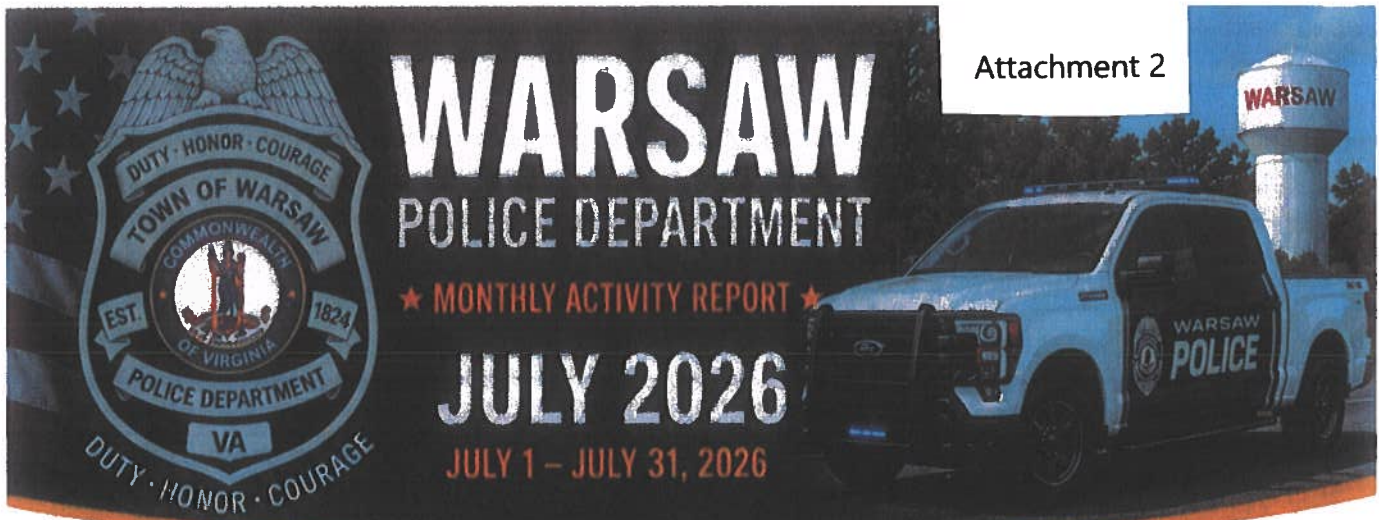
I attended our Police Department's National Night Out last week and had a great time! Even with less than desirable weather, the event was very well done. Thank you to Mayor Phelps and Assistant Town Manager Coates for attending with me, to Chief Radden and Ellen Copeand for their work, to Officer Miller for being in the dunking booth, to the Richmond County EMS Department and Sheriff's Office for being in attendance, and a special thanks to Sheriff Smith and the Tappahannock – Warsaw Moose Lodge for their generous donation of \$1,500. We can't wait until next year's event!

4. Dedication of Town Dog Park

We are pleased to announce that former Council Member Hubert's bronze plaque has arrived and will be installed within the next few weeks. We tentatively plan to hold the dedication ceremony sometime during Warsaw Fest on Saturday, October 10th. We will keep you informed of dates and times and the event draws near.

5. Sidewalk Improvements

The Town continues to invest in new and improved sidewalks with the expansion of the brick paver sidewalk along Main Street along the Rice-Packett Real Estate Office. This leaves only two (2) more parcels left in order to connect the Pinehurst Neighborhood to Main Street. We are currently planning for sidewalk improvements at the corner of Belle Ville Lane and Main Street with the new ownership of the former Wardico Building, so stay tuned as this project progresses.



CALLS FOR SERVICE

658



TOTAL INCIDENTS

3



TRAFFIC ACTIVITY

88



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

397



SECTION I: INCIDENTS

DATE	CASE #	OFFENSE	BLK / STREET
07/03/2026	2026-000070	Larceny	5000 Richmond Road
07/13/2026	2026-000074	Damage to Property	100 Main Street
07/29/2026	2026-000080	Stolen Trailer (with four smaller trailers loaded)	5000 Richmond Road

TOTAL INCIDENTS: 3



SECTION II: ARRESTS

DATE	CASE #	OFFENSE	BLK / STREET
07/07/2026	2026-000071	Juvenile Assault on Law Enforcement	4000 Richmond Road
07/08/2026	2026-000072	Assault & Battery – Family Member	100 Wallace Street
07/08/2026	2026-000073	Driving on Suspended License (Traffic Stop)	1000 History Land Hwy
07/15/2026	2026-000075	Driving on Suspended License (Traffic Stop)	10 Main Street
07/23/2026	2026-000076	Probation Violation	40 Mitchell Ave
07/25/2026	2026-000077	DUI Arrest	6000 Richmond Road
07/27/2026	2026-000078	Capias	400 Main Street
07/28/2026	2026-000079	Probation Violation	400 Main Street

TOTAL ARRESTS: 8



SECTION III: TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

	Driving on Suspended/Revoked License	0 / 0
	Reckless Driving	2
	Distracted Driving	1
	Speeding	32
	Expired Inspection	10
	Stop Sign	1
	Expired Registration (VA)	1
	Improper Registration (VA)	3
	Town Citations Issued	0
	All Other Traffic Summons	31
	Traffic Crashes	7

TRAFFIC ACTIVITY TOTAL: 88



SECTION IV: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

	Neighborhood Select Patrols	72
	Business Checks	291
	Directed Patrols	28
	Community Events	6

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TOTAL: 397



JULY 2026 MONTHLY SUMMARY

- Incidents Reported: 3
- Arrests Made: 8

- Traffic Enforcement Activity: 88
- Community Engagement Activities: 397



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Sandra Anderson Law
Town Attorney



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TO: Warsaw Town Council

FROM: Jesse Schools, Director of Public Works

DATE: 8/13/2026

RE: Public Works Report

Dear Council Members:

Please find my Public Works Report for the month of July. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

-WWTP

Monthly Numbers

Average daily Influent flow for July – 204,500 gallons, an increase of 22,500 gals from the month of June average daily flow.

Maximum influent flow for July – 303,100 gallons, an increase of 93,100 gals from the month of June max flow.

Nutrient Sampling Results

For July the average effluent Total Nitrogen (TN) concentration was 2.20 mg/l, within the limits of our permit.

For July the average effluent Total Phosphorus (TP) concentration was 0.08 mg/l, within the limits of our permit.

Monthly Operations and Maintenance

Biosolids Digester transducer was replaced and restored to service.

The Treatment Plant permit requires additional testing for fecal coliform, typically in the month of July. (4 samples- one per week) All sample results were below detection limit.

Plant Waste Station is now restored to full service and is currently operating efficiently.

Plant staff assisted the water department with recording water meter readings.

Plant effluent samples collected and analyzed during July met all permit discharge limits.

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-Water Department

Attached you will find the Water Loss Report, for the month of July we are at a 3rd water loss. Department staff did daily chlorine checks of all four wells, along with two random samples each day throughout town.

Completion of state selected bacteria samples; all results came back absent.

Completed all Miss U's that came in for the month of June.

Fixed a water leak on East Monroe Ave.

-Refuse Department

For the month of June town staff made 14 trips to the landfill totaling 116 tons or 232,000 pounds of trash.

-Public Works (Maintenance)

Staff assisted with Monday and Thursday residential trash pickup.

Assisted with recording of monthly water meter readings.

Took care of the bathrooms and grounds at the Town Park.

Watering all spring plantings in town.

Cutting all grass at Town owned facilities.

Installed (4) Restaurant Row signs.

Started edging and cleaning sidewalks throughout town.

Monthly Water Loss Report

Water System: **Town Of Warsaw**

For the Month of: **July**

Year: **2026**

Water Produced this month:

5,893,400 gallons

Water Purchased this month:

gallons

A: Total Water Produced and Purchased =

5,893,400 gallons

Sold: Residential

5,686,200 gallons

Total Sold =

5,686,200 gallons

B: Difference: (Produced+Purchased) - Sold =

207,200 gallons

% Difference =

**4 % total water
loss**

Gallons of Water Accounted For:

Breaks (Estimated Total)

15,000 gallons

Hydrant Flushing

0 gallons

Storage Tank/Clearwell overflow

0 gallons

Fire Hydrant Use

0 gallons

Fire Department Use

0 gallons

Leak adjustments

0 gallons

Maintenance shop

5,000 gallons

Sewer jetting

4,500 gallons

Town watering flowers

15,000 gallons

Office/Police Dept.

3,000 gallons

Pool

gallons

C: Total Gallons Accounted For =

42,500 gallons

Loss: Unaccounted-for Water: (B-C) =

164,700 gallons

% Loss: Unaccounted-for Water: (B-C)/A % =

**3 % unaccounted
- for loss**

Gallons / Day Loss =

31 days in billing period

Gallons / Minute Loss =

5,313 gallons/day

4 gallons/min.

This spreadsheet is a product of the Technical Assistance Center for Water Quality at Western Kentucky University and the Kentucky Rural Water Association. Feel free to contact us at (270) 745-5948 or at <http://water.wku.edu/>. This spreadsheet may be freely distributed. Please let us know if you use it, like it, or have suggestions for improvement!



WARSAW TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION

REQUEST FOR FUNDING ASSISTANCE AND DECLARATION OF NEED FOR WATERWORKS INFRASTRUCTURE & EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Town of Warsaw is the County Seat and only incorporated Town within Richmond County, and thus operates the only Public Water System within a large geographic area, contributing to the economic growth and sustainability of the Northern Neck Region; and

WHEREAS, due to changing regulations from the Department of Health and Department of Environmental Quality that stem from changing groundwater conditions, the Town's main well must be abandoned and subsequently replaced at a considerable cost; and

WHEREAS, the Town has invested millions in funding through grants and capital reserves to improve the Town's infrastructure and resiliency throughout the last decade, and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to adhere to all regulatory requirements, to improve water withdrawal efficiency, monitoring and enforcement, and also recognizes the importance of our location within Virginia's Coastal Plain Aquifer System and wishes to be a leader in environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, this project is a great financial hardship for our growing Town of 2,300 residents; and

WHEREAS, a well replacement and digital meter reading system is estimated to cost approximately \$3,000,000 for full installation and replacement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by official Order of the Warsaw Town Council, the body individually and collectively requests \$3,000,000 in funding assistance from the General Assembly for this project. The Warsaw Town Council thanks the members of the General Assembly for both their work and their careful consideration of this request.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of August 2026, by the following vote:

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

TOWN OF WARSAW

Mayor Randall L. Phelps

Town Clerk Julia Blackley-Rice