

Council Minutes
Regular Meeting
March 10, 2025 - 6:30 p.m. - 502 Front St. E, Coeburn, VA

Attendees:

Upon roll call, the following members of council were present: Carles Collins, Deventae Mooney, Joe Still and Sharon Still. Lisa Woodruff was absent. Jimmy Williams - Town Manager, and William Sturgill - Town Attorney, were also present. Cathy Sharpe - Clerk/Treasurer, was absent.

Call to Order:

Mayor Deventae Mooney called the meeting to order. Pastor Marty Puckett gave the invocation. The group remained standing for the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Deventac Mooney.

Public Expression:

Mr. Jeff Collins, 202 Alfred Avenue, addressed Council regarding his request for a copy of the town's ordinances. Mr. Collins said a few months ago he requested a copy of the ordinances or for the ordinances to be put online and stated he has seen neither. Mr. Collins is concerned about buildings that are in poor repair and wonders if there are any ordinances to address that issue.

Vice Mayor Sharon Still said Council generally responds in two weeks at the next meeting but went on to speak to Mr. Collins. Ms. Still said there are many pages of ordinances and Mr. Collins needs to submit a FOIA request to the town hall. She asked if the Town Manager, Jimmy Williams, has been putting the ordinances online. Mr. Williams said a few have been, but it is a slow process. Mayor Mooney noted there is a time limit for responses to FOIA requests.

Public Expression was closed.

Response to Public Expression:

There was no response to Public Expression from the February 24, 2025, meeting. Mr. Williams and Chief Mullins took care of Mr. Willis's concerns that he voiced at the last meeting.

Approval of the Agenda:

Deventae Mooney made a motion to add under New Business (B.) Policy for Adding Items to the Agenda from the Public. Sharon Still seconded the motion which resulted in all Ayes.

Deventae Mooney made a motion to add under (H.) Reports: Jeff Proulex Coeburn Revitalization Committees. Sharon Still seconded the motion and asked if this would be a permanent addition. Mr. Mooney said he didn't think a monthly update would be necessary. It depends on how often meetings were held, and he suggested Mr. Proulex inform Mr. Williams when he needs to be on

the agenda to update Council on the committee's activities. After discussion, Council voted, resulting in all Ayes.

Deventae Mooney made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Sharon Still seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Resolutions:

Mr. Mooney informed the crowd that Council will be reading three Resolutions and asked the subject of each Resolution to stand while the Resolution is read to the group.

Resolution 2025-003 Recognizing Emma McReynolds - Ms. Emma McReynolds was recognized for being crowned Miss Virginia Teen USA. The Town of Coeburn is proud to be home to Miss Virginia Teen USA. The town recognized Ms. McReynolds for her achievement and wished her the best of luck in her further endeavors.

Sharon Still made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-003. Mr. Joe Still seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows:

Carles Collins - Aye
Deventae Mooney - Aye
Joe Still - Aye
Sharon Still - Aye

Resolution 2025-005 Recognizing State Champion Shelby Stanley - Ms. Shelby Stanley was recognized for winning the Individual Cross County 1A State Championship. Ms. Stanley won her third straight Cumberland District title and her second Individual 1D title on her way to winning the State Championship. Ms. Stanley was the first girl in Wise County Schools history to win an individual State Championship in Cross Country. The town acknowledges Ms. Stanley's achievement and the fine manner with which she represented the school, the area, and the town of Coeburn. The town congratulated Ms. Stanley.

Sharon Still made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-005. Joe Still seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows:

Carles Collins - Aye
Deventae Mooney - Aye
Joe Still - Aye
Sharon Still - Aye

Resolution 2025-006 Recognizing Mr. Nick Ward - Mr. Nick Ward was recognized for winning the Individual State Championship in the 1A Competition. With his individual win, Mr. Ward became the first male State Champion in Eastside High history. The town acknowledges Mr. Ward's achievements and the fine manner with which he represented the school, the area, and the town of Coeburn. The town congratulated Mr. Ward.

Sharon Still made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-006. Joe Still seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows:

Carles Collins - Aye
Deventae Mooney - Aye
Joe Still - Aye
Sharon Still - Aye

Ms. Still commented that it is wonderful that the school is represented by these well-rounded students. She said she is proud to have the State Titles brought down to this side of the state.

Reports:

Fire Department

Mr. Cliff Hawkins, Chief, reported there were 38 calls for the month of February. Some of these weather-related calls have multiple calls wrapped up in one. There were 415-man hours for the month and 303 personnel responding. Chief Hawkins gave Council a list of the officers in the department. Chief Cliff Hawkins, Assistant Chief Roger Stanley, Captain Chris Maine, First Lieutenant Randall Meade and Second Lieutenant Luke McConnell. Chief Hawkins will be travelling close to Richmond to attend a fireworks seminar.

Sharon Still made a motion to adopt the list of elected officers for the fire department as presented. Joe Still seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Ms. Still informed Chief Hawkins that she has requested Mr. Jimmy Williams to send Mr. Hawkins a letter about the use of purchase orders. She said every department needs to turn in purchase orders for approval before a purchase is made. She advised there was an issue with the purchase of turnout gear for the fire department. Chief Hawkins said the gear was ordered in May and he thought everyone was aware. Ms. Still said the purchase orders need to be turned in for accounting purposes.

Ms. Still said there is also a letter being sent regarding taking vehicles home and the stipulations for using those vehicles.

Police Department

Mr. Travis Mullins, Police Chief, provided Council with a copy of the report for the month of February. Chief Mullins said there is a steady caseload and call volume. February's calls consisted largely of weather-related issues. The department worked with the town crew and the fire department to assist where needed. Mr. Mullins said warm weather is on the way and he is expecting an increase in call volume. He said the department received a grant and is working on the paperwork for other grants.

Chief Mullins attended the Coeburn Improvement Association meeting last week. He plans to host a Community Partnership meeting sometime before March 28th to clear up any confusion about the new ordinance regarding the window coverings on Front Street. Chief Mullins presented Council with a copy of the letter he intends to send to the business owners. There will also be an updated emergency contact sheet to assist the department in contacting someone if there is an issue found during patrol. Chief Mullins is hosting the meeting, and the Coeburn Improvement Association is going to address the business owners after the meeting and discuss ways they can help promote and support those businesses. Mayor Mooney asked Chief Mullins to set the date for the meeting.

Mr. Mooney said the custodian at the Coeburn Primary School comes in at 5 a.m. and asked if the Police Department could drive by about that time each morning. Mr. Mooney asked if the department was still leaving notes for the businesses when they were on patrol. Chief Mullins said the department no longer leaves notes and he is going to discuss why and the alternatives with the business owners at the meeting.

Chief Mullins briefly discussed the Shepherd's Watch Program. The program would partner the department with citizens that have security cameras and allow the department to have remote access to gather information on crimes that happen in that area.

Mr. Mooney asked if Chief Mullins had completed evaluations and where the evaluations were recorded. Chief Mullins said the evaluations are complete and filed and will bring copies to be stored at town hall.

Town Manager

Mr. Jimmy Williams, Town Manager, reported he has been working on the Virginia Mainstreet Grant. The deadline is April 25, 2025. Mr. Williams spoke with Lenowisco today and there still has been no determination on what the funds from the grant can be spent on and expects that information any day. Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Williams to reach out to Council with that information to meet the deadline. Ms. Still asked if this was the Downtown Revitalization Grant or the grant like St. Paul has as part of the Main Street Program. Mr. Williams said it is a grant for downtown investment. Ms. Still asked Mr. Williams to look into the Main Street Grant.

Mr. Williams informed Council that VDOT will be replacing the John McKilgore Park road sign.

Mr. Williams met with the Department of Environmental Quality in Big Stone Gap and discussed a regional water supply planning grant program they are trying to get together by March 31, 2025. Ms. Still asked Mr. Williams to forward the information to Council to review to understand all the facts. Ms. Still expressed concern that the grant will require Lenowisco to act as an agent of the town and Mr. Williams said the other towns and counties had questions about that as well.

Mr. Williams reported the Resolution was accepted by VRA and is expecting an updated commitment letter soon.

Mr. Williams said he was contacted by Clean Virginia about EV charging stations. There are grants available to build charging stations and then the stations will be turned over to the town to maintain. Mr. Williams reviewed the types of stations offered by Clean Virginia. Mr. Mooney asked to have that information forwarded to Council to review. Mr. Williams will get more information if Council wants to pursue it further. Ms. Still would like to see more information.

Mr. Williams checked on the materials to cover the fence on the lot near Lifecare. He is looking into using the material like the school is using on their fence and is not sure if Mr. Livingston has checked on that at this time.

Mr. Williams spoke with Grasshoppers, and they will be supplying twenty-five tons of salt at no charge and will need to know by October 1st if the town will need more. Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Williams to get that in writing and Mr. Williams is expecting that soon. Mr. Still asked which the preferred method of salt is to use, by the pallet or by the ton. Ms. Still pointed out that the pallet salt does not require special storage and if the town stored the salt, it would need a storage area that meets EPA standards. Mr. Still agreed and said that is the point he wished to make. Mr. Williams will have the agreement in writing at the next meeting.

Mr. Mooney asked when the flagger training will be done for the two individuals that still need to be certified. Mr. Williams said that it has not been set up. Mr. Mooney stated that he feels like when Council asks department heads to do something they often get the run-around and he had given a specific date by which to have the training scheduled at the last meeting. Mr. Mooney asked who gave the last training class. Mr. Livingston said Kristie Mullins held the class, and he has her contact information. Mr. Mooney is going to call Mr. Livingston tomorrow to remind him to schedule that class or Mr. Mooney will call and schedule it. Mr. Mooney said it has been a year that these two individuals have needed this training. Lack of certification can be used as an excuse to not work on a job site. Mr. Mooney is glad to not have his evaluations finalized because one thing department heads need to work on is meeting guidelines and specific instructions from Council.

Mr. Mooney asked if all public works employees are equipped with Class 3 uniforms. He said at the last meeting uniforms were being looked at and asked if those had been ordered. Mr. Williams said the vests were in and the overalls were as well. Mr. Williams said as of March 10th everyone should be wearing the vests at all times.

Mr. Mooney asked about the beacon light installation on the equipment. Mr. Livingston said one is on the excavator and a few of the trucks. Mr. Mooney asked if the lights had been purchased and were waiting for them to be installed or if they need to be ordered. Mr. Livingston said a few more need to be ordered.

Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Williams and Mr. Livingston if they had signed up for a workplace safety class to ensure that the town is following all necessary safety protocols. Mr. Williams has found a class and is working on scheduling it. Mr. Charles Collins asked how many employees have their CDL's. Mr. Williams said two have their license and one is in a class right now, and the plan is to have the other take turns getting their license. Mr. Mooney said that Mountain Empire also

offers a CDL class that is held in the evenings and would like Mr. Williams to look into that. Mr. Williams said the class in Hansonville is at no cost to the town other than the employees' pay. Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Williams to check the cost at Mountain Empire Community College. Ms. Still asked Mr. Williams if there is a signed contract for the employee to stay with the town because the town is investing money in the employees' training. Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Sturgill to get a contract ready and have it signed as soon as possible. Ms. Still asked how that would work since the employee is already taking the class. Mr. Sturgill said it sounds like there had been a verbal agreement and he will get the contract ready. Mr. Mooney asked to have the contract start after the employee completes the class.

Mr. Mooney asked if Mr. Williams had received an updated letter from the Office of Drinking Water concerning the lead pipe issue. Mr. Williams has received that and needs to format it. Mr. Mooney reminded Mr. Williams to forward a copy of the letter to Council.

Ms. Still expressed concern about the recent flood damage to the banks of the creek at the park. The banks are washing away and are getting close to the walking track. The track was expensive and she asked if Mr. Williams could check to see if the town was eligible for any grant funding to shore up the banks of the creek, preventing erosion and protecting the park and the areas alongside the creek. Ms. Still said if there are no funds available, the town will need to look into doing the work itself. Ms. Still suggested contacting the Department of Energy as well. She suggested doing a walk through and marking the problem areas with tape to prevent people from going too close to the area and getting hurt.

Mr. Still asked if the salt supplied from Grasshoppers will be stored on the Grasshoppers property. Mr. Williams said it would be. Mr. Still said there needs to be a plan in place to keep up with how much salt is used. He asked about using salt on pallets. Mr. Livingston said the issue with the salt on pallets is that it must be manually opened and put in to be spread. Mr. Williams said that the salt on pallets is close in price to the salt by the ton. Mr. Still said pallet salt is easier to store and doesn't require specialized storage like loose salt.

Ms. Still said she met with Mr. Carter about the repairs at the pool and has an itemized list of repairs and prices. She asked if Mr. Livingston has spoken with the Job Corps about doing some of the work. Mr. Livingston has not spoken with anyone yet. Ms. Still said Mr. Carter is going to cut the concrete to avoid damaging the pipes. She said he plans on replacing the skimmers and said that should prevent losing so much water. Ms. Still said the repairs and cleanup will be \$11,842.00. The repairs need to be done as soon as possible. Mr. Mooney asked Ms. Still to clarify if Mr. Carter plans to work with the Job Corps or independently. Ms. Still said he plans to work on his own to cut out the damaged concrete and pour the areas of concrete. Mr. Carter will also be cutting out and replacing the skimmers and repairing the concrete. Mr. Mooney asked what was done with the skimmers that were ordered and were not the correct skimmers and asked if those could be returned or sold. Ms. Still said those items that were ordered and did not work for the pool are stored in the building at the pool and said those were ordered through Amazon and not through Mr. Carter. The deadline for returning them has passed and they will need to be sold. Mr. Mooney asked how much those parts cost and Ms. Still suggested looking at the Amazon account to find that information. Mr. Mooney said that the lifeguard stands need to be replaced.

Ms. Still said the swivel on the chair was the issue and a new chair needs to be ordered. The stands for the chairs were repaired. She said both the chairs should be replaced at the same time and suggested using ARPA funds for all repairs needed. Mr. Williams asked how long the repairs would take. Ms. Still reported that Mr. Carter said he could be done by May 23rd, when she plans on opening the pool. Mr. Collins asked if the pipe for the skimmers goes all around the pool. Ms. Still said the pipe does go around the pool and that she doesn't know the condition of that pipe, but most of the water is lost through the skimmers. She said the community uses the pool and she would like to see it stay open and these repairs are needed to do so. Mr. Williams asked if Mr. Carter was supplying the items needed to repair the pool and Ms. Still said he was. Mr. Mooney said Mr. Carter needs to be told to bring all the materials he needs to do the job.

Sharon Still made a motion to contract with Mr. David Carter for \$11,842.00, with half being paid down and the other half on completion of the job, with Mr. Carter supplying all his own materials, doing the repairs, and cleaning up afterwards. Repairs would be paid for with ARPA funds. Joe Still seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows:

Carles Collins - Aye
Deventae Mooney - Aye
Joe Still - Aye
Sharon Still - Aye

Mr. Carles Collins asked when the paving plant would open. Mr. Mooney said he has received phone calls this week along with pictures of issues with the roads in town. He said it is up to the town to maintain town roads, but some roads in town are VDOT roads. Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Livingston to make a list of roads that need potholes repaired, and to have that list by the next meeting. He asked for Mr. Livingston to specify which roads are VDOT roads and which roads belong to the town.

Mr. Mooney reminded all department heads that evaluations need to be given to Council next week so they can be compiled before the workshop meeting.

Public Works

Mr. Jeff Livingston, Public Works Supervisor, reported that a six-inch sewer hookup was put in at the KDK building, a manhole was patched near town hall, a water meter was relocated on Elder Lane and a sewer line was repaired on Front Street. Six hundred feet of two-inch water line was put in at the baseball field and brush was cleaned up at Bondtown Park. Public works completed 80 work orders.

Mr. Livingston presented Council with a quote for the roof of the town hall and said that it was probably as cheap as the work could be done. Council discussed the warranties on the quotes. Mr. Livingston said his contact will come down to discuss the warranties and details if needed. Mr. Mooney asked if that could be done at the next meeting.

Ms. Still would like a work order done to clean up the steps and the area coming down from Schoolhouse Hill. She suggested asking the Job Corps to help or the inmates from Duffield. Ms. Still said those steps are used daily and need to be cleaned up.

Ms. Still asked if anything had been done about the heat pump. Mr. Livingston said he presented quotes at the last meeting. Mr. Mooney asked for that to be put on the next agenda for a vote.

The Lane Group

There was no representative from The Lane Group present.

Treasurer Report

Ms. Cathy Sharpe, Clerk/Treasurer, was absent. Mr. Williams reported that Ms. Sharpe had been in contact with the auditor, and he has received all the information from the pre-audit and will begin the audit as soon as possible. Mr. Williams mentioned that the hard copies of the last audit were received on the morning of March 10th. Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Williams to get a date set for the work to begin. Mr. Williams said that Ms. Sharpe has already been working with the pre-auditor gathering information for the next audit to begin.

Ms. Still asked if the credit cards were being paid off and on time. Mr. Williams said that was correct. Ms. Still said that doing so saves the town money. Ms. Still told all department heads that purchase orders are important to have for the auditors to see what is going on. She said those purchase orders and receipts need to be turned in to be filed with the bills.

Sharon Still made a motion to approve the accounts payable due as presented. Joe Still seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Sharon Still made a motion to approve the interim accounts payable as presented. Joe Still seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes. Mr. Collins asked about the payment for repairs on the excavator. Mr. Williams said the excavator had to be wired for lights.

Deventae Mooney made a motion to approve February 10, 2025, regular meeting minutes as presented. Joe Still seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes. Carles Collins abstained.

Deventae Mooney made a motion to approve February 24, 2025, special called meeting minutes as presented. Joe Still seconded the motion. Mr. Mooney and Mr. Still voted Aye. Ms. Still and Mr. Collins abstained.

Attorney Report

Mr. William Sturgill, Town Attorney, reported he is working with Chief Travis Mullins on the traffic and crime ordinances. Mr. Mooney completed his ethics training but did not receive an email afterwards and asked Mr. Sturgill if there was something else he needed to do. Mr. Sturgill suggested Mr. Mooney email Ms. Cathy Sharpe with the date and time that the training was

completed. Mr. Mooney reminded Council to complete the ethics training if they had not already done so.

Coeburn Revitalization Committee

Mr. Jeffrey Proulex, Chairman of the Coeburn Revitalization Committee, thanked Council for choosing his committee members and said the committee would be meeting soon. Mr. Proulex went on to discuss the Coeburn Strong Movement and the concerns the group has. He said it has been a year since he first presented his list of concerns about rundown properties in the town and asked for something to be done about those properties. Mr. Proulex said he is approaching Council to discuss their lack of concern for the state of these properties. He has a copy of the ordinance concerning these types of properties but is concerned that there is no ordinance to address upkeep or aesthetics. Mr. Proulex feels property owners should be held accountable for keeping their storefronts or properties clean. He is concerned that clothes, shoes and household items are being left at the Farmer's Market. He said this is an eyesore and that it all ends up in the trash. The Giving Box for food is also an issue and could be moved closer to the school.

Mr. Proulex has issues with the appearance of the post office and was informed it is a federal building, and he will have to contact the United States Post Office with any concerns. The lot behind Celebrate used for public works storage is also on the list of things Mr. Proulex would like to see cleaned up. Ms. Still said Council discussed that at this evening's meeting.

Mr. Proulex asked when the fountain would be fixed and running again. Ms. Still said the fountain is drained for the winter but was working in the fall and was lit. Mr. Livingston said the lights were broken by people getting in the fountain and public works removed the lights. Ms. Still is hoping the fountain will be up and running when the weather is warmer, and it is safe to do so.

Mr. Proulex would like to see the town clock painted and said that people need to put their heads together to work on these issues. Ms. Still said Council knows there are problems but time, money, who can take care of the issue and what is legal all needs to be considered. She said the new ordinances will help address the problems. Mr. Proulex said other towns have ordinances that govern the look of other towns and suggested that the town look into that.

Mr. Proulex invited Council to take part in the Great American Cleanup on April 26th. He suggested having other community groups take part. He said the sidewalks need to be shoveled and swept off, and the streetlights he discussed at previous meetings are still dirty. Mr. Proulex feels that someone needs to be held responsible for the lack of interest and the ability to run the town and places blame on the town manager. Ms. Still said this is not the place to bash people and work is being done to address the issues he has mentioned. Mr. Mooney said Mr. Proulex should have spoken during public expression, that he was placed on the agenda under the assumption that he would be discussing the Coeburn Revitalization Committee. Ms. Still said that Council is doing personnel evaluations, and all employees and department heads will be accountable for their job performance and be given a chance to improve their performance. Mr. Mooney said he doesn't like the comment that the Council doesn't hold employees accountable as he was the one that made the motion to have regular employee evaluations. He said everyone is welcome to speak but that

needs to be done during public expression. Mr. Mooney said that Council is voting at this meeting to set the process for public expression but there will be guidelines that must be followed. He encouraged people to run for Council if they feel like the current Council is not doing a good enough job and moved onto new business.

New Business:

- A. Ordinance 2025-002 Traffic and Crime Offenses - Mr. Sturgill has a thirty-page document of updated traffic and crime ordinances. He did not read each ordinance but did give a brief overview of what is in the ordinance. The ordinance will allow fines for the offenses to come back to the town rather than be paid to the state. Ms. Still clarified that the ordinances are up to state code. Mr. Sturgill said that is correct, but local police will be able to cite offenses to allow the fines to go to the town. Chief Mullins said this allows the department to charge at a local level and avoid fees associated with jail time.

Sharon Still made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-002 Traffic and Crime Offenses. Joe Still seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted as follows:

Carles Collins - Aye
Deventae Mooney - Aye
Joe Still - Aye
Sharon Still - Aye

- B. Policy for being added to the Agenda for Individuals - Mr. Mooney would like to set guidelines for anyone that asks to be on the agenda for discussion must submit to Town Manager, Jimmy Williams, the topics they wish to discuss before Thursday prior to the meeting by 4:30 p.m. Ms. Still said she doesn't think a letter is necessary. Mr. Mooney said that to avoid confusion, something in writing would be good to have. He said a letter or email would be accepted. These items will be discussed during the time for reports.

Deventae Mooney made a motion that to be placed on the agenda for discussion, a letter or email must be submitted to the town manager by Thursday prior to the meeting by 4:30 p.m. Sharon Still seconded the motion. Ms. Still clarified that written would include a text, email or a written letter. She suggested if a letter is dropped by town hall, it would be a good idea to have it signed accepted with the date and time and make a copy. Mr. Mooney wanted to be sure that it is understood he is not wanting to censor anyone, but to give a chance to be heard if someone needs longer than five minutes that is offered during public expression. Mr. Mooney asked Mr. Williams and Mr. Sturgill to write up the new policy and post it in town hall, on Facebook and on the town's website. After discussion, a roll call vote resulted as follows:

Carles Collins - Aye
Deventae Mooney - Aye
Joe Still - Aye
Sharon Still - Aye

Old Business:

- A. Fourth of July Fireworks - Mr. Williams spoke with Mr. Zimmerman from Pyrotechnico and he said once the fireworks are sold, they are no longer considered commerce. However, after doing a lot of research, Mr. Williams and Chief Hawkins agree that to transport the fireworks from Norton to Coeburn, the driver will have to be licensed and permitted to transport the fireworks. Mr. Mooney suggested reaching out to Pyrotechnico to see if there can be a discount if the town's fireworks are delivered on the same day as Norton's. Ms. Still asked if there had been any sponsorship for the fireworks. Mr. Williams said there was not. Ms. Still would like to have some sponsors for the fireworks because of the expense. She asked all members of Council and department heads to reach out to people the town does business with to sponsor the fireworks.

Closed Session:

Mayor Deventae Mooney made a motion to enter into closed session in accordance with Virginia Code §2.2-3711 (A3) to discuss the disposition of publicly held real property where discussion in open meeting would affect the negotiating strategy of the public body and Code §2.2-3711 (A8) to consult with legal counsel pertaining to specific legal matters. Sharon Still seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Immediately following closed session, Mr. William Sturgill read "Certification of Closed Meeting", which is attached to these minutes and made a part hereof. A roll call vote certifying that only business matters that were identified in the motion convening were discussed or considered. The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Carles Collins - Aye
Deventae Mooney - Aye
Joe Still - Aye
Sharon Still - Aye

There were no actions resulting from Closed Session.

Council Comments and Concerns:

Carles Collins - Mr. Collins had no comments or concerns.

Joe Still - Mr. Still had no comments or concerns.

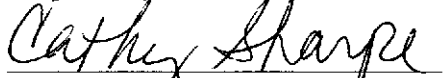
Sharon Still - Ms. Still shared that the EDA gave out grants/loans to Happy Days and Guest River Coffee. The businesses were appreciated and are hoping that the town will be able to help with funding to be able to continue with these grants. Ms. Still appreciates everyone coming out to the meeting. She is appreciative of the upcoming work on the pool.

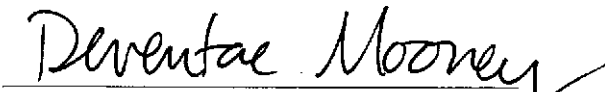
Deventae Mooney - Mr. Mooney welcomed Mr. Collins back and said that he was missed. He said there was a big crowd tonight at the meeting and reiterated that he appreciated everything Council, department heads, and employees do for the town. Mr. Mooney did encourage anyone that thinks they can do a better job than present Council to run for office in 2026.

Adjournment:

Mayor Deventae Mooney made a motion to adjourn this meeting. Joe Still seconded the motion, which resulted in all Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,


Attest: Cathy Sharpe, Clerk


Deventae Mooney, Mayor