

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WEBER CITY, VIRGINIA**

The Town Council of the Town of Weber City met in a Regular Meeting Session at **7:00 p.m. (actual start time 7:02 pm) on Tuesday, February 18, 2025.** The meeting was held in the assembly room of the Weber City Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by **Mayor Justin Addington,** and opened with Prayer by **Eileen Deckard,** **Council Member.** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by: **Mike Carrico, Town Attorney,** and joined by all in attendance.

**PRESENT:**

Mayor:	Justin M. Addington
Vice Mayor:	Wendell Tipton
Town Attorney:	Michael Carrico
Council Member:	Eileen Deckard
Council Member:	Jeff Flanary
Council Member:	Keltie Kerney
Council Member:	Teresa Tilson
Council Member:	Zackary Salyer

Town Employees: Treasurer - Rhonda Neeley, Clerk - Penney Capps, Frank Tittle – Public Works, Donald Harding, III - Police Chief

**ABSENT:**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES and FINANCIAL REPORT:**

A motion to accept the **January 21, 2025**, Regular Called Meeting Minutes was made by Zackary Salyer; seconded by Teresa Tilson.

Motion passed with **6** voting AYE, **0** voting NAY, **0** ABSENT, **0** Vacant, **0** Abstentions

A motion to accept the **January 28, 2025**, Special Called Meeting Minutes (PW accident) was made by Wendell Tipton; seconded by Jeff Flanary.

Motion passed with **6** voting AYE, **0** voting NAY, **0** ABSENT, **0** Vacant, **0** Abstentions

Motion to accept the **January 2025** Financial Report, was made by Jeff Flanary; seconded by Wendell Tipton .

Motion passed with **6** voting AYE, **0** voting NAY, **0** ABSENT, **0** Vacant, **0** Abstentions

**Mayor Report and Comments:**

None at this time.

**Old Business:** (0:04:30)

**Clean Up Cut Trees from Town Property**

A motion was made by Keltie Kerney, seconded by Teresa Tilson, for Frank Tittle of the Town's Public Works Department to remove the downed trees, cut them into smaller

pieces, making it available for free to any town resident in need of it. They are still on the ground behind the Fire Department located on Roland Street.

Motion passed with 6 voting AYE, 0 voting NAY, 0 ABSENT, 0 Vacant, 0 Abstentions

#### Mayor to Sign Acceptance Letter for Auditors

A motion was made by Teresa Tilson, seconded by Eileen Deckard, to approve Mayor Justin Addington to sign the Acceptance of Services Letter, giving Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates, PLLC, permission to begin the FY23-24 Audit on behalf of the Town.

Motion passed with 6 voting AYE, 0 voting NAY, 0 ABSENT, 0 Vacant, 0 Abstentions

Council Member, Jeff Flanary, made a comment that the Police Department Renovation Project is looking great, and that he is very pleased with how the Department is looking and the work that has been done.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### Resolution in Support of Street Extension

A motion was made by Teresa Tilson, seconded by Zackary Salyer, for the Town to submit a Resolution in support of the road extension project from Baltic and Frank B. Smith Drives , as requested by Brian Mullins, business owner in Weber City.

Motion passed with 6 voting AYE, 0 voting NAY, 0 ABSENT, 0 Vacant, 0 Abstentions

#### **Legal Affairs – by Attorney Mike Carrico**

Closed Session items only.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### ***ARPA Committee Report: Teresa Tilson and Zackary Salyer***

All ARPA funds have been allocated for proper uses. And will be spent by the conclusion of 2026 as required. Mayor Addington asked the ARPA Committee members to let him know what Committee they would like to form going forward that can benefit the Town. Some committees are outlined in the Town by-laws, but others can be formed at the discretion of the Mayor since he is in charge of day-to-day operations.

#### ***Finance Committee Report: Teresa Tilson and Wendell Tipton***

None

#### ***Personnel Committee Report: Jeff Flanary and Keltie Kerney***

The Committee has asked to table the revisions to the Employee Handbook until a future meeting.

#### ***Zoning/Planning Committee Report: Eileen Deckard and Zackary Salyer***

The Committee is compiling a rough draft to distribute to other Council members before reviewing items in a General Session for Council input. It was not ready at this time.

***Street Committee Report: Jeff Flanary and Wendell Tipton***

No new information to report. The Snow Plowing Crew is on call as of 7 pm tonight for the forecasted snow event.

**Maintenance Committee Report: Eileen Deckard and Frank Tittle**

A metal culvert pipe located near 192 Wilmeth Street has rusted out and has caused a hole in the street that requires attention. The new pipes are made of heavy-duty plastic to avoid these rust outs. Frank Tittle will get an estimate for its repair.

The PSA hired a paving company to finish the repairs at each water line upgrade site, but they are not satisfied with the quality of the work performed. Mike Dishman contacted the Town office to see what company we use for road repairs. He stated that he will contact someone to finish the road repairs correctly.

**Police Department Report:**

Chief Donald Harding, III reported to the Council there have been several arrests made already this year including one by Officer Justin Miller on February 2<sup>nd</sup> of a person with over 30 outstanding drug related warrants.

A date has not yet been set for the new Police Department ribbon cutting. It will be set soon and invitations sent out.

The Weber City Police Department is the recipient of a grant to purchase License Plate Reader cameras in town to assist in recognizing BOLO orders in our town.

**Fire Department Report:**

None

**Public Comment:** Opened: 7:16 pm

**Brian Mullins**

Mr. Mullins began by thanking the WCPD for their recent assistance in some trouble he experienced at this warehouse business in town. Second, he is requesting the Town's support for the request to VDOT and Scott County EDA to extend Baltic Drive to connect to Frank B. Smith Drive. This road extension will assist in the heavy tractor trailer traffic to the warehouses. He has reached out to VDOT, Scott County EDA, and Lenowisco regarding this road project and each entity is in agreement that the road is necessary and beneficial. They just need a Resolution from the Town Council stating that the Town of Weber City is also in agreement with the request. Both Baltic and Frank B Smith Drives are VDOT maintained roads.

**Just for Fun Party Rentals**

Rob Ferguson, owner of Just for Fun Party Rentals presented his business to the Town Council, informing them of the services it offered for future Town events and also to request to be kept in mind for any commercial locations available in town to open an indoor play facility for family entertainment. He also asked for information on obtaining

any grant or financial help to assist in funding. The Council suggested he contact John Kilgore of the Scott County Economic Development office to see what small business assistance is available. The Council was excited at the prospect of such a business for Weber City. We have been looking for businesses to invest in our area that will benefit families.

Closed Public Comment: 7:31 pm

### **CLOSED SESSION**

A motion to enter INTO Closed Session to discuss legal and personnel issues was made by Zackary Salyer, Council member, seconded by Eileen Deckard, Council member.

Motion passed with 6 voting AYE, 0 voting NAY, 0 ABSENT, 0 Abstentions

Return time: 8:39 pm

A motion to go OUT of Closed Session and back into Regular Session was made by Eileen Deckard, seconded by Teresa Tilson.

Motion passed with 6 voting AYE, 0 voting NAY, 0 ABSENT, 0 Abstentions

### **CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED SESSION**

The Mayor, Council Members, and the Town's Attorney entered into Closed Session.

A motion to certify that only lawfully exempt matters, for which the closed meeting was convened, were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting by the Mayor and Council members, was made by Eileen Deckard, Council member, seconded by Teresa Tilson, Council member, and roll call vote made with these 6 members voting "AYE" were:

Jeff Flanary, Wendell Tipton, Teresa Tilson, Eileen Deckard, Keltie Kerney, Zackary Salyer

Voting "NAY" were: 0 with 0 Absent

### **ACTION FROM THE CLOSED SESSION:**

**None**

### **Statement from Suzanne Kerney Quillen Regarding Street Repair**

Vice Mayor, Wendell Tipton, read aloud a statement from resident, Suzanne Kerney Quillen, regarding road repairs required by Scott County PSA:

"I planned to ask the council to continue to request that the PSA:

- (1) complete the waterline repairs started around July 2024,
- (2) repair all road and driveway damage on Winfield, Roland, Locust, and Church Streets
- (3) repair all grade and personal property damage,
- (4) ensure all repairs correct the now-existing standing water issues and excessive runoff issues caused by the road and grade damage."

In response to this, Town Attorney, Mike Carrico, wrote a Resolution from the Council requesting that the Scott County PSA address the road repair issues to VDOT standards. A motion was made by Teresa Tilson, seconded by Zackary Salyer to send that Resolution and a letter to the PSA Executive Director, Mike Dishman in unanimous agreement of Suzanne Kerney Quillen's request.

Motion passed with 6 voting AYE, 0 voting NAY, 0 ABSENT, 0 Abstentions

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Zackary Salyer, seconded by Teresa Tilson.

Motion passed with 6 voting AYE, 0 voting NAY 0ABSENT, 0 Vacant, 0 Abstentions

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**Mayor: Justin Addington**

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**Town Clerk: Penney C. Capps**

**Announcement: Next Council Meeting will be Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 7:00 pm**