

TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
Teleconference via GoToMeeting
Wednesday, August 27, 2025
3:30pm

Mayor Paulin, Vice Mayor Sitoula and Councilwoman Stillwell met in a work session via teleconference on Wednesday, August 27, 2025. Also, in attendance were Town Manager Hicks and Town Clerk Andrea Brady.

4165 Indian Head Highway: Fence – This was previously discussed during the July work session with it tabled until today's meeting for a final Council decision. The property owners are requesting a 100-year lease for \$1 for both fence behind 4165 Indian Head Highway and the small fenced in area. They would also like this lease to transfer to future property owners if they were to sell the property. Mayor Paulin feels the fence is a community amenity due to the mural and he would not agree with leasing the fence. He would be fine with leasing the property inside the fence back to AVSI but only during their ownership, not in perpetuity. The Council would then revisit the need for the property and secure fence lines with future owners. The Council wants the ability to readdress as tenants potentially change.

3 Park Square Drive: Insurance Claim – Town Manager Hicks will reach out to LGIT in reference to the insurance claim for 3 Park Square Drive due to water damage caused by the Town.

Revised Refuse & Recycling Receptacles Ordinance – Mayor Paulin's biggest concern as it relates to this Ordinance is that it does not disturb residents lives every day by making it too cumbersome. Feasibility wise it is not possible for every house to keep their receptacles at the rear of their homes. Town Manager Hicks discussed the issue with the trash company not placing the cans back where they should be, with the issues being 50% on them as well but we are actively working to address the issue with the trash company. Mayor Paulin suggested elimination of section 401 and just state that they cannot block the streets and sidewalks with the cans by moving forward with sections 402 and 403. The revised Ordinance will be read for introduction again at the September meeting with adoption scheduled for October.

Donation Request – Vice Mayor Sitoula offered a personal contribution, but with it happening outside of Town he is not comfortable with donating town funding. Due to the event being outside of the Town the Council was not in favor of the donation and they will use budgeted dollars for events within the Town.

Event Partnership Request – The Council suggested introducing the Ivy & Pearls to Jazz in the Country to see if they can work together. Town Clerk Brady will reach out to Jazz in the Country to see if there is potential for partnership and forward that information to Ivy & Pearls.

September Town Meeting Agenda – The Council reviewed the September agenda. Town Manager Hicks gave an update on Elm Street. After discussions, they are requesting to withdraw the sale and purchase agreement and that the council remove Ordinance 07-02-25 from the meeting agenda. Mayor Paulin made a motion to accept Elm Streets withdraw of their purchase agreement and to take off Ordinance 07-02-25 from the agenda. Councilwoman Stillwell seconds the motion. All in favor. The Council accepted Elm Street's withdrawal of the purchase agreement, and the Ordinance will be removed from the agenda. Town Clerk Brady will draft a response to share with the residents prior to the meeting. With the Ordinance no longer being on the agenda Council chose to keep the meeting in a virtual format, but they will begin holding them in person on a quarterly basis starting in October.

Roundtable:

Mayor – None.

Vice Mayor – Vice Mayor Sitoula spoke about the upcoming IRS visit in September. The security person from the IRS will be reaching out to the Town Manager Hicks in reference to the Pavilion.

Councilwoman – Councilwoman Stillwell had someone approach her from thermos casting to see if they could get a meeting with Town Manager Hicks. Town Manager Hicks asked Councilwoman Stillwell to pass along his contact information, and he will speak with them.

Town Manager – Town Manager Hicks has a meeting scheduled with the Town’s legal counsel tomorrow morning to discuss the properties near the base gate and begin the litigation process.

Town Clerk – Town Clerk Brady gave an update on the Christmas Festival and the fantastic partnership and work being done by BRIDGE church for the event. Vice Mayor Sitoula asked that we reach out to the Painter family to see if they would be willing to come back with the train.

Mayor Paulin adjourned the meeting at 4:02pm.


Andrea Brady, Town Clerk