TOWN OF HURT 2025 MEETING MINUTES

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

Date:	September 2, 2025
Time:	6:02 PM
Meeting called to order by:	MAYOR GARY HODNETT

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE, DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Jimmy Harding, Steve Worley, Gary Poindexter, Bob Majure, Alice Bond

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

- Mayor Hodnett calls for a motion to move into closed session.
- Gary P. moves that the council convene a closed session in accordance with Virginia Freedom of Information Act as amended. Stating Real Estate, Prospective Business (as necessary) (Authorization: § 2.2-3711 A (1)(5)(8) as applicable)
- Vice Mayor Majure seconds the motion for the closed session.
- Mayor Hodnett calls for individual votes on the motion. Council members: Gary P, Bob M, Alice B, Jimmy H, and Steve W. all vote in favor of the closed session.
- The motion is passed, and the council moves into a closed session at 6:04 PM.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION AND INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

- Mayor Hodnett calls for motions to return and certify a closed session.
- Gary P. makes a motion for the certification of the closed meeting, citing the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.
- Mayor Hodnett calls for a second, which is given by Jimmy, each council member; Worley, Harding, Bond, Majure, and Poindexter approve.
- Gary Poindexter leads the invocation.
- Pledge of Allegiance lead by Mayor Hodnett

Public Comments

A town resident is out of surgery, if people want to stop by and see him.

CONSENT AGENDA

- August Expenditures
  - Mayor asked for a motion to approve the August expenditures which was made by Gary P. after the expenses were discussed.
  - Vice Mayor Majure seconded the motion, and all council members approved.
- Additions to the Agenda
  - Motley Ruritan Club was approved for special use permit without having to pay the $50 fee. This was approved by all councilmembers.
  - Employee handbook is being given to council members Alice Bond and Paul Johnson to make the wording clear and concise. Mayor requested the work to be completed by October's meeting.
  - Yard trash photos were passed around to the members to view. Each council member was appalled and agreed to have notices sent to the offenders.

NEW BUSINESS

- Approval of Consent Order Bids and Construction Starts
  - Mayor Hodnett asked of approval for bids. Expenses were discussed. Bob M. made a motion to approve the bids, seconded by Alice B. with approval of all council members.
- Water Treatment Plant Update
  - Town is moving forward with grant. Work will begin as soon as feasible.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

- Treasurer – Marissa Padilla
  - Bank rec is done up to May 2025.
  - Working on Federal payments, Working on VRS
- Clerk – Shannon Race
  - Preparing for November tax billing, obtained updated HVFD volunteer list, Caught minutes up
  - Finished making town forms fillable, working on digital file system for town records
  - Assisting Joe and Marissa as needed, researching and processing payments
- Public Works – Joe Smith
  - Water main break on Lynn St. Made repair. Ground has to pack for 2 weeks before asphalt is replaced.
  - Working with engineers
- Police Department – Jason Lovelace
  - Lole grant is completed.
  - Heat grant paperwork is being submitted
  - Vehicle 300 (Markins) has had repairs and new tires put on it.
- Legal - John Eller
  - Checked on Municode but the work isn't done yet. He was told it was already finished.

ITEMS ARISING SUBSEQUENT TO NOTICE

Gretna School

Marching Hawks asked for a donation. Gary P. made the motion to give them $150 which was seconded by Jimmy H. and approved by all council members.

Town Lawnmower

Gary P. made a motion to approve the new town lawnmower retroactively. Alice B. seconded the motion which was approved by all.

Zoning Map Update

Gary P. is working on obtaining a new map that is user-friendly. It's desired to include all zones and town owned parcels, but this will make the cost higher than what was paid before.

Trunk or Treat is going to be held Sunday, October 26, 2025, at Staunton Plaza at 5pm. All are invited.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

- meeting is adjourned at 7:54 pm.
    - Next Monthly Business Meeting October 7, 2025