TOWN OF HURT 2025 MEETING MINUTES

MONTHLY WORKSHOP MEETING

Date:	Thursday, July 17, 2025
Time:	6:03 PM
Meeting called to order by:	MAYOR GARY HODNETT

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Steve Worley, Paul Johnson, Jimmy Harding, Bob Majure, Alice Bond, Gary Poindexter
Quorum established

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

- Mayor Hodnett calls meeting to order at 6:03 PM. Request a motion to move into closed session.
- Gary Poindexter moves that the council convene a closed session in accordance with Code of Virginia, 1950 as amended. A. Personnel, 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 and all council members vote in favor of the closed session.
- The motion is passed, and the council moves into a closed session at 6:06 PM.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION AND INVOCATION

- Mayor Hodnett requests a motions to return and certify a closed session.
- Vice Mayor Majure 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 Gary Poindexter, each council member approves.
- Councilman Worley leads the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Lead by Mayor Hodnett

PLANNING COMMISSION

Jeremy Shelton requests proposed amendments to 3 zoning ordinances because they are outdated and need to be modernized with current technological industries.

1. Section 28-329 I1 permitted uses in limited industrial zoning district are outdated and need to be modernized with current technological industries.
2. Section 28-293 C1 permitted uses in general commercial zoning district; state licensed only massage therapy, needs to be added.
3. Section 28-884 Section 15.2-2204 Advertising of plans; Virginia code has been modified and this needs to be updated to the Virginia code.
4. Set public hearing on August 5, 2025, to hear the opinions and comments of citizens before considering the amendments.

Vice Mayor Majure made a motion to advertise changes for a public hearing for business meeting on August 5, 2025. This will be a joint meeting with town council and planning commission.

Mayor Hodnett asked for a second, which is given by Paul Johnson, unanimously approved by all councilmembers. Mayor thanks Jeremy, Jared and Glenn for stepping up to be members of the planning commission.

Councilman Poindexter requested to have an email address for the Planning Commissioners to add to the town website.

NEW BUSINESS

Motley Ruritan Club requests permission to have a car show at the plaza. September 13, 2025, First Annual Family Fun Day and Cruise In. Permit has already been filled out. $50 fee was paid. Porta Johns should be gotten by the Ruritan Club.

Fire department is doing Blue Grass and Barbecues on the same date.

Mayor will check to see if Ruritan can do it a week before or a week after the 13th. He will also see if they are interested in doing a joint affair.

MAYOR REPORT

Plaza Parking Lot Lights Update:

We started on the lights. The poles have new fixtures on top. Ran into a problem with wiring the Winn Dixie building. Internal wiring inside the building needs to be done. Wire splicing will be done to fix a problem we had a few months ago. Contractor going to bill cost plus material. Parking lot should be lit up in the next few days.

Sewer Pump Station Update:

Still waiting for the pumps to come in for pump station near the Alta Vista Water Treatment Plant. Station is still working and has not had to have a bypass pump in operation.

Water Pump Station:
Mini split for water pump station isn't completed yet.

YouTube Channel:
Gary Poindexter: Town YouTube channel is operational. We need to get quality camera and mic's in here that are reasonably priced. We need appropriate equipment. I'm willing to help with the research.
Bob Majure: Researched the issue conferencing camera system cost $900 which includes a camera and microphone. He explained the advantages to the newer system.
Gary Poindexter made the motion to use office equipment line in the amount of $1000.00 to be used for purchasing the new system. Seconded by Steve, unanimously approved.

Michael Blackstock Property:
Paul Johnson discussed some of the issues both pros and cons of the 10-15 homes being put up on the 20+ acres Mr. Blackstock is trying to sell. Council discussed many issues.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

- meeting is adjourned at 7:50pm.
    - Next Workshop Meeting August 19, 2025