

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Town of Weber City Town Council
Monday, September 8, 2025 – 7:00 pm
Weber City, Virginia Town Hall – Assembly Room

The Regular meeting of the Town Council of Weber City was called to order at **7:00 PM** on Monday, **September 8, 2025**. Mayor Justin Addington presiding.
Opening prayer led by **Council Member Eileen Deckard**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by: **Mayor Justin Addington** and joined by all in attendance.

Roll Call

PRESENT:

- Mayor Justin Addington
- Vice Mayor Wendell Tipton
- Town Attorney Mike Carrico
- Council Member Eileen Deckard
- Council Member Keltie Kerney
- Council Member Teresa Tilson
- Council Member Jeff Flanary
- Council Member Zackary Salyer (arrived at 7:04 pm)

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES and FINANCIAL REPORT

- **August 19, 2025** Regular Meeting Minutes - Motion to approve by Wendell Tipton, seconded by Teresa Tilson. Motion passed. **6 AYES 0 NAY 0 ABSENT (much discussion regarding details)**
- **August 2025 Financial Report** - Motion to approve the report by Teresa Tilson, seconded by Zackary Salyer. Motion passed. **5 AYES 1 NAY 0 ABSENT**

Mayor Report and Comments:

Mayor Addington announced FY25-26 Committee Appointments. Discussion followed regarding committee assignments. Council member Kerney questioned the unchanged Finance Committee members (Tilson and Tipton). The Mayor stated the committee was effective and did not require changes. Kerney said that was the Mayor's opinion. The Mayor agreed that yes, it was his opinion and that if there was need to discuss it any further, he was available after the meeting. Kerney stated that she disagreed with that respectively.

The Committee Appointments are as follows:

Finance: Tilson and Tipton
Maintenance: Tipton and Tittle
Personnel: Flanary and Tilson
Planning: Deckard and Salyer
Street: Flanary and Salyer

Council member Kerney requested to be removed from all committees per August 19,2025 minutes

OLD BUSINESS:

Officer Training Reimbursement - Council member Deckard

This item will be discussed in Closed Session.

Essay Contest Award - Council member Kerney

Presentation for John Sawyer to be scheduled at Gate City Christian School by Mayor Addington and Council Member Kerney.

Delinquent Property Taxes - Council member Kerney

Collections continue through a contract with TACS (Taxing Authority Consulting Services, P.C.) for collection services. Scott County uses the same agency as well.

E-Ticket Revenue - Council member Kerney

\$200.00 received; funds remitted from court confirmed by Treasurer.

Bray Farm Land Development - Council member Kerney

Attorney Carrico to follow up on invitation to John Kilgore to attend a council meeting to discuss its current status.

Lastly, Ms. Kerney requested a Closed Session to discuss legal and personnel issues.

TRASH SERVICE DISCUSSION

Presentation by: Complete Disposal, LLC

Zack Crosswhite, of Complete Disposal, LLC, gave a presentation of their services offered for trash pickup and other items of disposal for the Town of Weber City. High points of the presentation include:

- weekly curbside, residential, trash collection service, and monthly large item and brush pick up.
- Use a 95-gallon trash can
- walk-up service for elderly and disabled people at no additional charge.
- been in business since 2020 serving Washington County, Russell and Scott Counties, Abingdon, Damascus, and other surrounding towns.
- Rates range from \$30/month to \$35/month in these areas.
- Town of Weber City proposed amount is \$25/month per residence
- Tuesday and Thursday weekly pickup
- brush pick up the 1st Monday of the month, and large item pick up the last Monday of the month.
- Trucks ranging from small to large, with automatic arms, and manual compaction trucks.

The Council thanked them for their thorough presentation and requested that Complete Disposal, LLC create a packet with all of this information to be given to the Town. Mike Carrico noted that the town residents would like to see the Town provide trash service again. The Town Council would have to

discuss and decide to pursue trash service and initiate the RFP proposal process before going further. Council members suggested tabling this discussion to a later date to include contacting Bill Dingus from Scott County to be part of those discussions. Perhaps invite Mr. Dingus to attend a council meeting.

Council member Deckard informed the council that Bill Dingus of the Scott County Administrative Office is still awaiting a response from the leadership of Weber City regarding discussions on trash services and a possible dump site in town. Mayor Addington and Attorney Carrico said that they understood that the county did not want the burden of Weber City's trash. Council member Kerney said that that was not what was said. Mr. Dingus claims he has never received a response from their proposal. Council members recalled having a conversation about trash and Mr. Dingus but could not recall the existence of a proposal ever being made.

Mayor Addington mentioned that he met with Gate City Mayor, Jamie Lawson, about trash service through their public works crew, which prefers service for all residents, not selective homes. Weber City would pay Gate City for the service, not each individual. He encouraged the council to find a way to reinstate trash service for the residents.

Council member, Tilson, commented that the budget for FY25-26 does not accommodate trash services this year, but can be researched and planned for FY26-27. Perhaps even request a proposal from Gate City. Rhonda Neeley stated that Bill Dingus had offered previously no charge for dumping if OUR Public Works Department, collected OUR (Town of Weber City) trash to the landfill. Council member Flanary suggested that Bill Dingus be invited to attend a council meeting soon to discuss options for trash maintenance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Property Tax Due Date Change

Motion by Teresa Tilson, seconded by Wendell Tipton to change the 2025 Property Tax due date for 2025 only, to December 20, 2025 due to delay in receiving the tax file from the county office.

Motion passed 4 AYES 2 NAY 0 ABSENT.

LEGAL AFFAIRS – by Attorney Mike Carrico

Items for Closed Session only.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee Report: Teresa Tilson and Wendell Tipton

The Finance Committee met with the Treasurer to review the Financial Report, and everything looks good. The Committee makes a recommendation to postpone the Property Tax due date since there is a delay of the tax records from the County.

Keltie Kerney had some questions for the Finance Committee on some of the line items in the report. The committee will research the items and report on them at the next meeting. The Treasurer explained the new accounting style for the Police Department vehicles that have been budgeted for. Council member Kerney had further comments regarding the expenses for the Police Department's National Night Out event. She stated that the Financial Report did not accurately reflect the expenses for the event. However, the amount is correct currently per submissions to the Clerk's office for payment.

Personnel Committee Report: Jeff Flanary and Keltie Kerney

Handbook review 50% complete; pending Closed Session items. Council member Flanary asked for notes from previous meeting update sessions so the new committee members can keep moving forward with the handbook update. Council member Kerney offered her services to finish this project that she has been a part of.

Zoning/Planning Committee Report: Eileen Deckard and Zackary Salyer

Awaiting the legal copy from the Town Attorney for Council review. Members suggested meeting again before next meeting.

Street Committee Report: Jeff Flanary and Wendell Tipton

Wilmeth Street project is complete. Council member Flanary noted again that VDOT needs to clean the streets in Weber City or give options to get it done, even if hiring a company to do it. Council member Salyer thanked the mayor for placing him on the Street Committee again this year.

Maintenance Committee Report: Eileen Deckard and Frank Tittle

Frank Tittle of the Public Works Department spoke of the information he is gathering on mowers for the town, different makes and models from area suppliers. Many opinions were offered on brands available and their efficiency. Quotes for equipment are in the works for future presentations. The Finance Committee offered to look for funds to purchase. Mayor Addington commented that PSA has destroyed the streets in Weber City with their waterline upgrade. Those repairs need to be made before snow plowing happens this winter. Frank Tittle will contact the director of the PSA to convey the message. Council member Kerney asked why a town employee was a member of the Maintenance Committee. Town Attorney, Mike Carrico stated that it is the mayor's discretion to appoint non-council members to committees.

Police Department Report:

Chief Donald Harding, III gave the August 2025 Report: 1 arrest, 1 ECO/TDO transport, 72 traffic stops, 38 summonses issued. Coordination ongoing with VDOT and law enforcement agencies for traffic control during the recent construction on US Hwy 23N.

Fire Department Report:

None present

Public Comment: *Opened: 8:37 pm Closed 8:37 pm*

(The purpose of Public Comment is for citizens to express their views to which the Council will address at another time. Public Comment is not a conversation.)

No one present for Public Comment so Mayor Addington then closed Public Comment.

CLOSED SESSION

Time: 8:40 pm

A motion was made by Keltie Kerney and seconded by Zackary Salyer to enter Closed Session to discuss legal and personnel issues. Motion passed.

6 AYES, 0 NAY, 0 ABSENT

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Time: 9:34pm

A motion to return to the Open Session was made by Zackary Salyer, seconded by Jeff Flanary.

Motion passed. **5 AYES, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT**

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED SESSION

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

In accordance with § 2.2-3712(D) of the Code of Virginia, motion by Zackary Salyer, seconded by Jeff Flanary, to certify that only lawfully exempt matters were discussed.

Roll Call: Flanary AYE, Tilson AYE, Tipton NAY, Deckard AYE, and Kerney AYE

Motion passed: 5 AYE, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT

ACTION FROM THE CLOSED SESSION:

None

ADJOURNMENT: (9:35pm)

A motion to adjourn was made by Eileen Deckard, second by Keltie Kerney.

Motion passed with **6 AYES 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT**

Respectively Submitted by Penney Capps, Town Clerk

Certified by Justin Addington, Mayor