

Town Council Meeting Minutes November 4, 2025

Mayor Warren called the meeting to order with all council members present, except Mr. Sinard. Attorney Drinnon was present as well.

Under communications from citizens and property owners, Mark Hughes and Rick Adams asked to speak to the board about their water on Pratt Drive. Mr. Hughes brought several samples to the meeting to show board members. Because of the recent supply of water from Morristown, it has caused extra force of water on the galvanized lines, which are making the water have the appearance of mud or rust in water. Mayor Warren asked Mr. Stewart to address the citizens and the board about this issue. He added that Pratt Drive is a dead-end line, and the issue had been a leak on Pratt Drive which was on a galvanized line. The town well is now back online but the Morristown water pushes in a lot of water and causes rust or mud to get into the customers lines. The town has been flushing daily and would also like to look in to installing a constant flusher or even replace the line. Property owners thanked the director and board and expressed how much they enjoyed living in White Pine.

On a motion from Mrs. Walker, second from Mrs. Arwood, the minutes of the October 7, 2025 meeting were unanimously approved.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mr. Marshall, the minutes of the September 30, 2025 special called meeting were unanimously approved.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mrs. Walker, Ordinance #7-25, revising the overgrown and dirty lot ordinance, passed unanimously in a roll call vote on second and final reading.

On a motion from Mrs. Woods, second from Mrs. Arwood, Resolution #25-9, authorizing capital outlay notes for street knuckle boom truck, passed unanimously.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Woods, Resolution #25-10, authorizing the use of Sourcewell buying agent, passed unanimously.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mr. Marshall, it was unanimously voted to hire Pam Walker to replace Mrs. Reed as clerk. Mrs. Walker abstained from the vote.

A brief discussion concerning the property on Highway 25E close to the new development of the Quick T was addressed as well. Property owner will ask to be annexed and the process will begin with the Planning Commission recommending.

Chief Cotter reported the new K9 dog, Riley, will be coming this weekend and will start with Isaac Owens who will be her handler.

Fire reports were given to the board.

Under planning commission news, Mr. Woods reported that Quick T had asked about combining two lots and a plan was approved for the urban growth area for David Flynn to install storage units behind the former Baxley Welding building.

Mr. Stewart reported the wastewater plant has been approved to do in-house repair on the tank where it had a crack. This will save money by doing ourselves. James Ratliff has been appointed to be the wastewater operator now after passing the state testing.

Under financial news, Mrs. Susong asked the board about the large item pick up and the costs. No one has heard any news about the Jefferson County landfill opening up yet. This is adding an extra cost onto the budget.

Mr. Rednour informed the board that they have started picking up leaves. The grappler truck should be here next week.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mrs. Walker, it was unanimously voted to abstain the rules and allow Mr. Hughes to speak in audience. He wanted to express how much they appreciated the street department and what a good job they were doing.

Mayor Warren said the large item pick up will be discussed at the December meeting and that the Police and Street department would present their ten-year plan as well.

No unfinished business was heard.

Under new business, Mr. Woods made a motion to accept Josh Sinard resignation and accept nominations for a new member to finish out his term. Mr. Marshall made a second to the motion and all were in favor.

On a motion from Mrs. Walker, second from Mrs. Arwood, it was unanimously voted to accept Mr. Sinard's resignation from council due to moving outside town limits.

Mayor Warren expressed interest in the nomination of Carolyn Voiles, a former member of the board. On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mrs. Arwood, it was unanimously voted to close nominations.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mrs. Walker, it was unanimously voted to appoint Carolyn Voiles to serve the remainder of Josh Sinard's term as alderman. At this time, Mrs. Voiles was sworn in by Ms. Susong.

Mrs. Arwood addressed the board about the continuing of speeding on Walnut Street. Large amounts of traffic have also added to the problem. Mayor Warren asked Mr. Rednour to get a price on striping Walnut Street to the railroad and another price to go to the town limits. Chief

Cotter added that he would have an officer keep patrolling this area to try and slow down speeders. He also noted a permanent speed sign would be helpful but these run around four thousand dollars. Mayor Warren said this would be addressed at the new budget year.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mr. Marshall, it was unanimously voted to pay bills.

Mayor Warren reminded everyone about the ribbon cutting at the new clinic on November 6th at 4 pm, and the parade and Christmas activities on December 6th.

On a motion from Mrs. Walker, second from Mr. Marshall, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:45 pm.

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Glen E. Warren, Mayor

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Alyson P. Susong", written in black ink above a horizontal line.

Alyson P. Susong, Recorder