

# Town of Faison

April 2, 2025

Mayor  
William “Billy” Ward, II

Commissioners:

Christy Allen  
Kenneth Avent, Jr.  
Lee Kennedy  
Sandy McCarty  
Carlos Quintanilla

Others Attending:  
Law Office of Joseph Ezzell, PLLC  
Sharon Lee, Town Clerk  
Jimmy Tyndall, Executive Administrator  
Matthew Scott, Recreation Director

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## **Board Meeting**

Mayor Ward opened the board meeting at 7:00pm with a prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Ward presented the agenda. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve the agenda and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward stated that George Carr is here under Public Comment. George Carr wanted to thank the town for the materials and labor for the watering needs at the Community Garden.

Mayor Ward presented March 5, 2025 regular board meeting minutes. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve the regular board meeting minutes and seconded by Commissioner Quintanilla and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ward presented the March 25, 2025 budget work session meeting minutes. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to approve the minutes as presented and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented the financials.

Mayor Ward asked Matthew Scott to report on the recreation department but first presented a resignation letter from Morgan McCoy for approval. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to accept Morgan McCoy’s resignation and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ward stated that Ms. Essie Hicks has applied to be a backup teacher for the after-school program. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to hire Ms. Essie Hicks at \$14.00 per hour to be a backup teacher for after-school and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously. Matthew Scott stated that we have had several requests to do adult volleyball and we have 8 teams signed up and they will play on Sunday afternoons.

Mayor Ward presented the signs that Mr. Ron Oates would like to have put up in town. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to table this and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward asked Sharon Lee to present the IPM Computers proposals. Sharon Lee stated that the first proposal was for a new firewall in the amount of \$ 1,765.50 and the second proposal is for a new computer to replace the payment computer and to replace my computer with the amount of \$ 3,841.30. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve the proposals for the firewall and the two new computers and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented the Budget Amendments. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve budget amendment #5 and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Quintanilla to approve budget amendment #6 and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to approve budget amendment #7 and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented the proposed 2025-26 fiscal year budget and asked the board to approve for a budget public hearing at 7:00pm May 7, 2025 prior to our meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to call for a budget public hearing at 7:00pm on May 7, 2025 prior to our meeting and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward asked for a motion to go into closed session for a personnel issue and asked for Jimmy Tyndall and Matthew Scott to stay for the closed session. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to go into closed session at 7:15pm and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward stated that we are back in open session at 7:26pm and we have decided to make our Recreation Director Matthew Scott a salary employee. Motion made by Sandy McCarty to make Matthew Scott a salary employee effective July 1, 2025 and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ward asked for a motion to add to the personnel policy that comp time must be used within 60 days or it will be lost and is hour by hour. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to add comp time must be used within 60 days or it will be lost to our personnel policy and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ward asked for a motion for the salary increases for the 2025-26 fiscal year budget. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to do 2% COLA and up to 2% MERIT for the upcoming fiscal year and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed unanimously.

Sharon Lee asked if we approve Sonya Carter who is currently working as a back up teacher at the gym to train to fill in here at town hall. Motion made by Commissioner Allen for Sonya Carter to train to work at the town hall as a backup and seconded by Commissioner Quintanilla and it passed unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Quintanilla to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

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William "Billy" Ward, II, Mayor

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Sharon Lee, Town Clerk