

Town of Faison

December 3, 2025

Mayor
William "Billy" Ward, II

Commissioners:

Christy Allen
Kenneth Avent, Jr.
Carolyn Kenyon
Sandy McCarty
Carlos Quintanilla

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

Board Meeting

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

Mayor Ward presented the agenda. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to approve the agenda as presented and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward read a Christmas card that Dr. Ruby Bell brought us along with some goodies.

Mayor Ward presented the November 5, 2025 regular board meeting minutes. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to approve the minutes as presented and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented the financials.

Mayor Ward presented the comment forms.

Mayor Ward asked Lissa Stempek to address the board about the 250th celebration banners. Lissa Stempek stated that she had presented a list of items she needed approval on. The first item is approval for FIG to put murals on the Baseball and Soccer Complex concession stand. The second item is whether we want them painted on the buildings or painted on plywood. FIG prefers painting on plywood. Jimmy Tyndall stated that he wanted to know who was going to keep them up in the future because the previous murals that FIG put up have not been kept up. A decision was made to table this until FIG finds out about keeping them up in the future. The third item was able to get approval that DPW will install them on the buildings. The fourth item is changes that are recommended to change on the welcome signs. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to go with option 1 put the same border and font as the FIG banner and put Welcome and 250 years in boxes and put Thanks for Visiting and Come Back Soon on the back side and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed.

Mayor Ward asked Mr. Boney to address the board to talk to the board about the amusement rides for the 250th Celebration on June 27, 2026. Commissioner McCarty asked how much of a deposit

would we have to pay and if we would get a refund if we had to cancel for rain. Mr. Boney stated that the deposit was 10% down and they start setting up several days before the event so if they knew in advance it was going to be cancelled, they would see what they could do about giving a refund. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to choose Boney's Amusement Rides for \$11,000.00 for the four rides that have been chosen and seconded by Commissioner Quintanilla and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward swore in Commissioners Sandy McCarty, Ken Avent, Jr. and Carlos Quintanilla as Commissioners for a four-year term. Sharon Lee swore in Mayor Ward as Mayor for a two-year term.

Mayor Ward asked Sheriff Straton Stokes to address the board. Sheriff Stokes stated that he was here to thank everyone for opportunity to come to the meeting tonight. Sheriff Stokes stated that he wanted to go over some of the things the Sheriff's office is doing. Sheriff Stokes stated that one of the big things that has been going on is the new jail that was being built, and he was hoping that it would be completed and open in February or March. Sheriff Stokes stated that we are doing in-house service training to help cut costs, saving about \$50,000.00. Sheriff Stokes said that highway patrol just got new tasers this year and decided not to use them, so they gave them to us and saved us about \$100,000.00. We also save the brass at the shooting range to get credit to help when purchasing practice ammunition. Sheriff's Stokes stated that when he took office, we were the lowest paid county but we have had an increase in salaries since I have been in office. Sheriff's Stokes is pushing Crime Stoppers in the county and needs help from the towns to help stop crimes.

Mayor Ward asked Matthew Scott to report on the recreation department. Matthew Scott said that we are working on basketball teams for the basketball season and I am having to turn people away because we are full with 30 teams. Matthew Scott said that one of the grants that we get supplies from sent us Stanley cups for free and we would like to put them in our concession stand and if people donate to our donation fund, they will receive one of these cups. Matthew Scott said that he would like to put a Faison Recreation sticker on the cups with an estimate of \$111.00. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to give a Stanley cup to those who donate to the donation fund set up with FIG to help support those kids who are less fortunate and purchase the stickers and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward read a resignation retirement letter from Sharon Tyndall stating that her last day is March 31, 2026. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to accept the resignation retirement letter from Sharon Tyndall and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to place an ad in the newspaper for a town clerk and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented the meeting schedules. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to approve the town board meeting schedule and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to approve the holiday schedule and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to approve the Library/Museum Committee meeting schedule and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to approve the Planning & Adjust Board meeting schedule and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to approve the Cemetery Committee meeting schedule and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve the Recreation Committee changed schedule and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ward stated that we need to amend our ordinance for the Recreation

Committee meeting stating that the committee will meet every other month without a particular month, day or time. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to change the Recreation Committee ordinance to state that they will meet every other month and seconded by Commissioner Quintanilla and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ward presented the Advisory Board and Committee Appointments stating that we need to make the following changes to the Recreation Committee, remove the following members Amanda Pope, Ariel Goodman, Katernia Gomez and Hannah Helbig and move the alternates Josh Bell and Jordan Aguilar to regular members and add Kendric Faison. We will add the following people as alternates, Tiffany Williams, Royce Strickland, Juan Lemus, Michael Albertson, Matt Braswell and Casey Braswell. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve these changes to the Advisory Board and Committee Appointments and seconded by Commissioner Quintanilla and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ward presented the Areas of Responsibility. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to accept the Areas of Responsibility and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to add Commissioner Allen as the liaison for FIG and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to add Lea Meeks and James Sauls to the Faison Fire Relief Board and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented the budget amendments #7 & #8. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve budget amendment #7 and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve budget amendment #8 and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed unanimously. Mayor Ward presented the Budget Ordinance changing the reduction in recreation department budget. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to approve the ordinance and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward asked Sharon Tyndall to discuss moving Water Sewer Funds. Sharon Tyndall asked to move \$175,000.00 from the money market at Southern Bank & Trust to NCCMT to earn more interest. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to move \$175,000.00 and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward asked Sharon Tyndall to discuss the tax release. Sharon Tyndall presented a tax release for Catherine & David Johnson for \$452.16 for a late elderly application and Jeffrey Rhendle Price for \$44.64 for a clerical error. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to approve the tax release and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented a \$5,000.00 donation from a unanimous donor to be distributed to our full-time and part-time employees just like was done last year. The donation will be divided between giving our full-time employees plus Anne Letchworth \$500.00 and the balance divided between 13 part-time employees. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve the donation and to be distributed as directed and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Quintanilla to adjourn at 8:35pm and seconded by Commissioner McCarty.

Respectfully Submitted

William "Billy" Ward, II, Mayor

Sharon H. Tyndall, Town Clerk