

MINUTES
Town of Marshall Board of Aldermen
Regular Meeting
June 16, 2025, 6:00 PM

In attendance were Mayor Aaron Haynie, Aldermen Billie Jean Haynie, Aileen Payne, Christiaan Ramsey and Laura Ponder Smith. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Forrest Gilliam, Town Attorney Larry Leake, and Kaitland Finkle with Land of Sky Regional Council.

Mayor Haynie called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Item 1

Upon motion by Alderman Ponder Smith, seconded by Alderman Payne, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the agenda as presented.

Item 2

Mayor Haynie confirmed that a quorum of the Board of Aldermen was present. Forrest Gilliam, Town Administrator, stated that notice was properly advertised for the following public hearings Proposed Ordinance for Text Amendment 2025-01.

Upon motion by Alderman Ramsey, seconded by Alderman Haynie, the Board voted 4-0 to open the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. Upon motion by Alderman Haynie, seconded by Alderman Ramsey, the Board voted 4-0 to close the hearing. No action was taken.

Item 3

Mayor Haynie confirmed that a quorum of the Board of Aldermen was present. Forrest Gilliam, Town Administrator, stated that notice was properly advertised for the following public hearings Proposed Budget.

Upon motion by Alderman Ponder Smith, seconded by Alderman Ramsey, the Board voted 4-0 to open the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. Upon motion by Alderman Ramsey, seconded by Alderman Ponder Smith, the Board voted 4-0 to close the hearing. No action was taken.

Item 4

Upon motion by Alderman Ramsey, seconded by Alderman Ponder Smith, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the 2025-2026 Fire Department Contract.

Item 5

Upon motion by Alderman Ramsey, seconded by Alderman Ponder Smith, the Board voted 4-0 to amend the Interlocal Memorandum of Agreement with Land of Sky Council.

Item 6

Upon motion by Alderman Haynie, seconded by Alderman Ponder Smith, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a disaster recovery resolution with the North Carolina League of Municipalities.

Item 7

Upon motion by Alderman Ponder Smith, seconded by Alderman Payne, the Board voted 4-0 to approve an amended agreement with Mikes Septic Tank Service for emergency pump and haul.

Item 8

Upon motion by Alderman Ponder Smith, seconded by Alderman Haynie, the Board voted 4-0 to approve an the 2024 Tax Releases.

Item 9

Upon motion by Alderman Payne, seconded by Alderman Ponder Smith, the Board voted 4-0 to increase the salary of James Flynn by \$1.00 per hour for obtaining certification.

Item 10

Upon motion by Alderman Ponder Smith, seconded by Alderman Ramsey, the Board voted 4-0 to appoint Alderman Haynie as interim Clerk.

Item 11

Upon motion by Alderman Ramsey, seconded by Alderman Ponder Smith, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the amended contract agreement with Forrest Gilliam to include FEMA clauses.

Item 12

Upon motion by Alderman Ramsey, seconded by Alderman Ponder Smith, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Budget Amendment 2025-013.

Item 13

The Board was presented with a report on the funding status and allocation from FEMA for Helene Recovery.

The Board was presented with a report on the Tax Collection and Water/Sewer collection rates for the month of May.

The Board was presented with the financial report for the month of May.

Reports from Boards and Community Organizations

Downtown Marshall Association – Connie Molland presented an update from the association.

Board of Adjustment - No meeting.

Planning Board – Met June 2, 2025

Parks and Recreation – No Meeting

Department Reports

Fire Department – No report presented.

Police Department- Chief Kenny Brown referred to his monthly report in the packet.

Public Works Department- Jamie Chandler referred to his report in the packet.

Public Comment

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