MINUTES

REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OPEN HOUSE

October 13, 2025

Councilmember Bob Wotring opened with the pledge of allegiance with Deputy Mayor Tim Ridenour leading in prayer. The Town of White Hall Council meeting was held in the Council Chambers at the Town of White Public Safety Building and called to order by Mayor Jason DeFrance at 6:00 p.m.

Officers Roll Call:

Mayor Jason DeFrance	Present
Deputy Mayor Tim Ridenour	Present
Councilmember Bob Wotring	Present

Councilmember Kristine Mason Absent with Pay

Treasurer John Jacobs Present
Councilmember Mandy Espanol Present
Recorder Charles Mason Present

Also present: Town Administrator Cindy Stover Chief of Police Geno Guerrieri

A quorum was present.

Deputy Mayor Tim Ridenour made a motion to excuse Kristine Mason with pay from the meeting due to illness.

Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for the 9.22.25 Town Council Meeting were presented and approved as written.

Citizens' Concerns:

None.

Treasurer & Financial Reports:

The Treasurer & Financial Reports will be discussed at the second meeting of the month.

Communications & Announcements:

Fall Cleanup Day. October 18, 2025. 7 am - 11 am

Middletown Commons Trick or Treat. October 29, 2025. 5 – 7 pm.

White Hall Christmas Parade is December 11, 2025. 630 pm – 9 pm

Public Hearing

None.

Volunteer Fire Department Report:

Zac Eakle from Valley VFD gave Council details of calls for the months of August and September in White Hall. A discussion was then held on the recent car fires.

Marion County EMS Report:

None.

Park Committee:

A discussion was held on holding a Special Workshop meeting on November 3rd at 6 pm. Mayor Jason DeFrance will talk with Tony from MCPARC and see if that date and time works for him.

Wage Review Committee:

None.

Police Department Report:

Chief of Police Geno Guerrieri stated that in the month of September, The White Hall Police Department had 345 calls for service, 46 cases, and 53 citations. The White Hall PD also helped keep runners safe at the CASA 5k on Saturday, October 10th.

Legal Department Report:

Town Administrator Cindy Stover stated that Town Attorney Trey Simmerman has been working on a contract addendum for the Town's music events.

Town Administrator Report:

Town Administrator Cindy Stover stated that the logos should be on the Public Works truck by Thursday.

Town Administrator Cindy Stover then stated that the back-up process of G-Drive and GST will begin nightly.

Lastly, Town Administrator Cindy Stover stated that on Wednesday, October 22nd at 3 pm there will be pictures for any employee that doesn't have a picture or wants a new one.

Engineer Report:

Mayor Jason DeFrance stated that Town Engineer Brad Pigott has been coordinating with Director of Public Service, George Hagan, to patch potholes on Moran Circle. A discussion was held on the water on Cassady being on hold, and if Moran Circle has a sign.

Unfinished Business:

Consider Door Access Quote:

A discussion was held on the door access quote that was presented to Council at the September 22, 2025 Council Meeting.

Recorder Charles Mason made a motion to consider purchasing

New Business to Consider:

Consider Halloween-Trick or Treat Night:

A discussion was held on when to have Trick-or-treating in White Hall.

Deputy Mayor Tim Ridenour made a motion to consider having Halloween – Trick or Treat Night on Friday, October 31st, 2025 from 6 – 7:30 pm.

Motion passed.

Consider Opening a Checking Account for Wellness Program:

A discussion was held on opening a checking account for the wellness program.

Marketing and Communications Coordinator, Kristin Kirk, provided an update to Council on what wellness initiatives have been implemented so far.

Councilmember Bob Wotring made a motion to consider opening a checking account for the wellness program.

Motion passed.

Consider Recognizing K-9 Spur's Retirement:

Mayor Jason DeFrance presented Deputy Chief, Jakob Streyle, and K-9 Officer, Spur, a plaque and customized dog treats to show appreciation of Spur's years of dedicated service to the White Hall Police Department. A video was then viewed by all in attendance of Spur's career highlights and accomplishments.

Final Remarks:

Adjournment:

Deputy Mayor Tim Ridenour made the motion to adjourn.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm.

Mayor Jason DeFrance

(Or Acting Mayor)

Recorder Charles Mason

(Or Acting Recorder)

Minutes prepared by Kristin Kirk