

September 22, 2025

The Lenoir City Council met its regularly scheduled City Council Meeting at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Tony Aikens and the following Council Members were present: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson. Amber Scott Kelso, Walter Johnson, Shawn Bunch, LaVonne Barbour, and Jim Wilburn were also present.

A motion was made by Shields and seconded by Brandon to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2025 meeting. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Shields and seconded by Brandon to accept the agenda as written. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Mayor Aikens asked for comments from citizens regarding an item/items on the agenda.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Wampler to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation and approve relacing 11 windows at The Venue from Holston Glass Company Inc for \$24,987.00. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Shields to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation and upgrade camera/audio-visual system in the City Council Room from Howard Technology Solutions for \$18,675.65. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by McNabb and seconded by Kennedy to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation to purchase a UHP Skid Unit for the Fire Department (this is 100 % grant funded from Safe Industries for \$45,000.00). The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Simpson to approve street closure of South Kingston Street for the LoCoPalooza Event that is done by Lenoir City Schools on Thursday, October 2, 2025 from 2:30 to 7:30 P.M. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Simpson to approve filling vacancy in the Parks and Recreation Department and move part-time employee Nick Phillips to a full-time status. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Mayor Aikens asked for other comments from citizens regarding an item/items not on the agenda. Ms. Pat Hunter complimented Mayor and City Council on the professionalism at the Council Meetings.

Pastor David Smith gave an update on the committee for warming/cooling centers.

Ms. McNabb asked Mayor and Council to consider looking at future needs for the Police Department and Fire Department.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by McNabb to approve all bills to be paid when properly approved and funds are available. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Kennedy and seconded by McNabb to adjourn the September 22, 2025 meeting. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.


Tony R. Aikens, Mayor


James W. Wilburn III, City Recorder