Pink Hill Town Board Meeting Minutes May 13, 2025

This month's Pink Hill Board of Commissioner's meeting was held on May 13th, 2025 at 7:00 pm in Robert Elmore Board Room. Present at the meeting were: Mayor Mike Horne, Commissioner Pete Fantini, Commissioner Michael Whitfield, Commissioner Penny Murphy, Town Attorney Anna Herring, Town Clerk Lauren Smith, Police Chief Michael Hoffman and Officer John Weaver.

Mayor Horne called the meeting to order & asked everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors present were: Carolyn Whitfield, Suzie Baker, Brandon Marshburn, Richard Hayes, Melissa Gallegos, Heather Gray & Kristin Fantini

Mayor Horne referenced meeting protocol & the conflict-of-interest statement

Public Comments:

Jennifer Murphy with the Pink Hill Festival Committee began with a road closure request for the Christmas on the Hill Celebration to be held on December 6th from 3-7 pm on Broadway St.

- Commissioner Whitfield made a motion
- Seconded by Commissioner Murphy
- Vote 3-0; motion carries

Next, Carolyn Whitfield requested the Board's sanction of a Pink Hill Parade Committee to help build the Parade back up to it's former success. A discussion ensued with ideas & suggestions & all were in favor for the Parade Committee to proceed as requested.

Approval of the Agenda:

- Commissioner Fantini made a motion to approve the May agenda
- Seconded by Commissioner Murphy
- Vote was unanimous; motion carries

Approval of the Minutes:

- Commissioner Whitfield made a motion to approve the April minutes
- Seconded by Commissioner Fantini
- Vote 3-0; motion carries

Financial Reports: The Clerk noted that Financial Reports were up to date with the exception of the Water Fund, but the prior month's report was included in binders.

Department Reports:

- Mayor Horne commented that Water Department updates would be discussed with Old Business Agenda items
- The Monthly Fire Report was included in binders & read by Commissioner Murphy, who also reminded everyone of Fireman's Day on Saturday, May 17th.
- The Monthly Police Report for April was included in binders & read by Commissioner Whitfield.

Old Business:

Mayor Horne gave an update to the conclusion of the Town's participation in the Water Meter Pilot Program with Master Meter & it was decided that a formal bidding process would be necessary due to the cost of replacement expected to exceed \$90,000.

He then announced a delay to the harvest plan with Pine State Forestry Service while the price of timber remains below normal. He plans to maintain contact while prices remain low.

New Business:

Mayor Horne announced the discontinuation of Employee Health Coverage offered by the NC League of Municipalities & that the Town had requested quotes from 3 agencies to pickup coverage beginning July 1st. The discussion was tabled until the June meeting because one quote was incomplete.

Lastly, Commissioner Fantini announced his Resignation effective immediately & recommended Brandon Marshburn to serve out the remainder of his term

- Commissioner Whitfield made a motion
- Seconded by Commissioner Murphy
- The Mayor, Commissioners & several visitors commented with their appreciation for Commissioner Fantini's service to the Town.

Vote 2-0; motion carries

Immediately following, Mayor Horne requested a motion to appoint Brandon Marshburn to fill the vacancy until the Municipal Election is held in November of this year.

- Commissioner Whitfield made a motion
- Seconded by Commissioner Murphy
- · Vote was unanimous, motion carries

Comments by BOC: None

Motion to Adjourn:

- Commissioner Murphy made a motion to Adjourn.
- Seconded by Commissioner Whitfield
- Vote was unanimous

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, Lauren Smith, Town Clerk of the Town of Pink Hill, North Carolina, do herby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the minutes from the Town of Pink Hill Board of Commissioners May 13, 2025 regular board meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official Seal of the Town of Pink Hill, North Carolina, this the 10th day of June, 2025.

Lauren Smith, Town Clerk

Attest/Seal