



TOWN OF VANCEBORO

BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING

*Held their regular monthly meeting on
September 14, 2026 at 7:00 PM
in the Jimmie L. Morris Boardroom*

- I. Call to order by **Mayor Chad Braxton**.
- II. Roll call **Those Present: Mayor Chad Braxton, Alderman Steve Belrose, Alderman Russell Ipock, Alderman Thad Jones, Alderman Hud Jordan and Alderman Todd McMillen.**
- III. Invocation by **Alderman McMillen**.
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance.
- V. Approval of minutes from last meeting. **Alderman Ipock made a motion to approve minutes as corrected. Motion was seconded by Alderman Jones and carried. Vote 5-0.**
- VI. Approval of Cash Receipts and Disbursements. **Alderman Jones made a motion to pay bills. Motion was seconded by Alderman McMillen and carried. Vote 5-0.**
- VII. Public Comment.

Janice Dixon – 1655 Wilmar Road – stated that the date for Show Me Some Love was unable to be changed. It will be held in the lot beside Kite's on October 3rd. If anyone would like to make donations to help with the event or to make backpacks, it would be greatly appreciated.

- VIII. Police Report was presented by Chief Wise. **The department is preparing for Vanceboro Night Out on October 1st from 5 to 8 p.m. Sgt. Winnings is investigating two shots fired calls in Town. One has resulted in a subject charged and the gun seized. Cpl. Johnson and Officer White have assisted in the Governor's Highway Safety Point check points. Farm Life Elementary has started their 2026-27 school year and we have assisted in working with school officials to ensure safety for everyone. The department assisted Maysville Police Department with their National Night Out.**

IX. Mayor's Reports. Hope everyone had a safe Labor Day. Next Board of Alderman meeting will be held on October 5th. Next Recycling date will be on October 8th. Second Avenue apartments property is being cleaned up. The home at 523 Third Street has been torn down and they will be building a new home there. I attended the Craven County Parks & Recreation meeting; the Boy Scouts have placed benches out at the disk golf court as an Eagle project. Tar Heel Little League had sixteen teams this season for baseball. The County spent \$153,000 to replace mulch with rubber on the playground at the park. They are also placing higher nets at the baseball fields to prevent foul balls from coming over the nets. They have installed AED's at all the parks in Craven County. West Craven Park had 52,000 visitors through June 30, 2026, which is a 32% increase from last year. Thank you to the Vanceboro Rotary Club for painting the railings by the canal. The light pole left out by Celestial Memorial Gardens should be picked up tomorrow. All water meters have been installed throughout town and the prison. Special thanks to Brittany Mumford and Vernon Edwards for all their hard work with this. Ditch mowing throughout town is about 60% complete. Edging and curbing sidewalks will begin in November. Global United Methodist will be hosting the Hallelujah Night on October 31st. The tree trimming on College and Second Avenue has been completed. There will be a dog goodie box installed here at the town hall beside the chip reader. Josh Lewis with Craven Art Council stated that a painted mural for the wall beside the park would cost around \$1,000. Interest earned on NC Capital Management this month was \$4,612.46. We didn't receive anything from Debt Setoff this month. Prison water bill this month was \$42,000.

X. Alderman Reports.

Alderman Jordan asked when the Vanceboro Strawberry Festival signs would be coming down in town. He also inquired what the town was planning to do with the meter boxes once grass covers them and we can't find them.

Alderman Belrose asked if we would approve what the mural would look like prior to it being painted on the wall by the park. He stated that we have a small tree growing on the backside of the picnic shelter out of the rain gutter. He suggested purchasing gutter guards to go on the shelter.

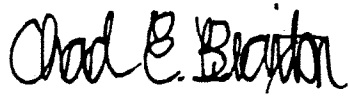
Alderman Ipock thanked the police and the town for their help at the church. The ditches in town look good. The MPO will start using the CARTS program to carry people to Greenville for appointments with the doctor.

Alderman Jones thanked the contractor working on the ditches, they are looking good.

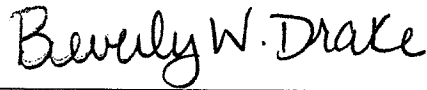
Alderman McMillen spoke to TruCo for an estimate on the bathroom at the park with turnkey; the estimate was \$57,150. Brandon Bradley's quote was not much less. I received two estimates for fencing at the park; they are as follows: Pamlico Fence \$9,684 and Seager's \$5,986.

XI. There being no further business we dismissed at 8:02 p.m.

I hereby certify that the above is true and accurate record of said minutes.



CHAD E. BRAXTON
MAYOR



BEVERLY W. DRAKE
TOWN CLERK