

September 8, 2025

Town Hall Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm. Mayor Larry W. Adams was present along with the following Commissioners: Kurt Held, Earl Norman, Martin Hauser, Neal Nichols, and Dawn Hobson.
2. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the August 11, 2025, minutes as written. Commissioner Held Seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the August 11, 2025, Closed Session minutes as written. Commissioner Hauser seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT: Jan Hicks stated that the last Karaoke of August went well. The next event will be a Movie Night on October 10th, sponsored by Kayla Woolman Realty. Movie will be How to Train Your Dragon. A Snack wagon with a free treat for kids will be provided by the sponsor. The next event will be on October 18th, sponsored by New Vision Church. This will be a Vendor Day with Booths, food, and music. The event is to raise awareness about a new program they are sponsoring to help Women of Domestic Abuse. On October 23rd Sharron Fisher will be bringing pumpkins to the park for pickup. On Saturday October 25th you will return your decorated pumpkin to the Park for the Pumpkin Decorating Contest. Ashley Hutchens, President of the God and Country Foundation, announced that the Small Town Christmas event has been moved back to the original date of Saturday, November 29th. Scheduling conflicts have been resolved.
5. Archie Hicks asked the board to consider expanding the Golf Cart Ordinance to include UTV's. The same rules that now apply to Golf Carts would apply to UTV's. After discussion the board decided to have Chief Shore write up a policy for the board to review and approve before holding a Public Hearing on the issue. Commissioner Nichols made a motion for the policy to be written up and presented at the October meeting. Commissioner Held Seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Ben Peacock discussed Hosting issues with the Town Website. Last month the tools for hosting the website broke and he was provided with a workaround. He would like the board to consider switching to a new provider, possibly REVISE for \$1200.00 per year. We are paid up with the current provider for 2 years. He wanted to make the board aware of the issue and ask that we begin the process of reviewing other providers. Commissioner Hauser will assist with this process and update the board as needed.
7. Commissioner Held discussed moving the Daniel Boone Monument to the Park. He is gathering material donations and speaking with Stan Brinkley who has volunteered his labor costs, about the logistics of what needs to be done to save the

monument. The cost of the move would be about \$1750.00. Ronnie Fletcher mentioned that he thought there was a group in charge of the upkeep of the monument. Commissioner Held will continue to investigate this project and update the board. The second project he provided quotes for was to update the Town parking lot. He proposes changing the direction of the traffic flow. Commissioner Nichols asked for additional quotes. After discussion due to budgeting issues this project has been tabled until the next Fiscal Year.

8. Commissioner Nichols informed the board that after a meeting with PTRC there is a possibility of obtaining grants for the Town of East Bend for Meter Replacements and for the Sewer Plant. Clerk Miller provided a Resolution for project described as East Bend Wastewater MRF and East Bend Drinking Water VUR that needs to be signed and adopted to begin the Grant Process. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the Resolution to request State Grant assistance for the Project. Commissioner Held Seconded. Motion Carried 5-0. Commissioner Nichols also mentioned that Bararra's has not turned in any receipts for pumping grease. This is a monthly requirement. He will speak with him again. Attorney Epley also mentioned he is still waiting for information from Jeff Jones in order to respond to current Sewer Violations.
9. Chief Shore presented a quote for the New Docking Stations, we need two at a cost of \$1514.00, this would be one in each patrol vehicle. Commissioner Hauser made a motion to approve the purchase of two Docking Stations. Commissioner Hobson seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
10. Chief Shore stated that the Town of East Bend has been quiet. The black marks in front of Town Hall were from a Baby Reveal which was a one-time event. The board will address this if it becomes a recurring problem.
11. Ronnie Fletcher mentioned that the Guy Smitherman House was demolished today. Several homes and properties in the area have been demo'd and/or cleaned up, which has made a great improvement in the look of the Town.
12. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss litigation issues. Commissioner Held Seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
13. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to return from Closed Session. Commissioner Hauser seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
14. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the bills and any that come in prior to the next meeting. Commissioner Norman seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

15. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Norman seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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Date

Larry W. Adams

Larry W. Adams, Mayor

Bettina Miller

Bettina Miller, Town Clerk/Administrator