# VARNVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

# Tuesday, October 21st 2025

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Nathaniel "Nat" Shaffer.

Officials present; Mayor Pro - Tem Henry A. Campbell, Councilman Ronald Williams, Councilman Nick Ginn, Councilwoman Linda Cooler. Councilwoman Faye Gooding and Councilman Joseph Williams arrived later.

Others- Wade Hadwin , Tamara Mixson- Suggs , Dorothy Sheffield, Willie Hanyes 1.1 Invocation – Mayor Nathanial Shaffer

- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Nathaniel Shaffer
- 1.3 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Compliance Clerk Shannon Shaffer

# 2. Consent Agenda Items –

- 2.1 Approval of Agenda -
- 2.2 Approval of Minutes -

Motion made by Joseph Williams and seconded by Councilmember Linda Cooler with minor changes. All were in favor.

#### 3. Reports of Department Heads

- 3.1 Mayor Shaffer shared that the Council meeting, which was initially set for November 11th, will now be held on November 18th due to a federal holiday. He also reminded the public that election day is coming up on November 4th.
- 3.2 Wade Hadwin reported 36 calls in town and 31 in the county for the Fire Department.

#### 4. Old Business

- 4.1 Animal Ordinance—Councilwoman Faye Gooding noted that the draft designates responsibility for the capture of stray dogs to the County.
- 4.2 Updated revised purchasing policy and procedures-Updated protocols will be added to a newly written Purchasing Policy instead of amending the current ordinance.

### 5. New Business

5.1 Red Ribbon Week Proclamation: The Town of Varnville declares October 23-31 as Red Ribbon Week. Motioned by Councilman Jospeh Williams, Seconded by Mayor Pro- Tem Henry A. Campbell. All were in favor.

5.2 Breast Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation: The Town of Varnville declares October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Motioned by Councilman Nick Ginn, Seconded by Councilwoman Linda Cooler

5.3 Council in favor of Trick ot Treating hours to be between the hours of 6-8 pm.

## 6. Executive Session

Motion was made by Mayor Shaffer to enter executive session, seconded by Councilman Nick Ginn.

Motion made by Councilman Nick Ginn to exit executive session, seconded by Councilwoman Linda Cooler.

Metting was adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Shannon Shaffer Admin. Assistant/ Clerk