

BADIN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – REGULAR MEETING

November 10, 2025

BADIN TOWN HALL

VISITORS

Bridget Huckabee, Huck Huckabee, Senora Boulware, Valerie Tyson, Jody Hopper, Sarah Allen, Jenny Allen, Tito Thomas

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Demar Huntley, Mayor

Charles Council, Mayor Pro Tem

Dale Ward

Gary Rife

STAFF PRESENT:

Jay Almond, Town Manager

Amanda Bowers, Town Clerk

Stephen Smith, Police Chief

Terry Eudy, Public Works Director

Opening prayer by Dale Ward.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bridget Huckabee reported receiving a notice regarding limb & brush placed curbside too early. Limb & brush was placed three weeks prior to collection day by a tree service on behalf of a neighbor. She said she previously displayed a “No Dumping” sign on her fence and it worked. She advised town verify who placed brush before sending notices. She said one flyer says to place brush one day prior to collection and another says one week before.

Jenny Allen of Hickory St. noted deer overpopulation and people feeding deer in town. She asked council five years ago to address deer overpopulation and feeding with no result. She presented information from the NC Wildlife website about corn being harmful to deer and feeding deer is not helpful to deer or citizens. She requested council take action.

Jody Hopper reported items in the front yard of 85 Falls Rd. She said the neighbors are moving and she hopes the town can find an answer to help the other neighbors.

Tito Thomas thanked the town and public works for helping prepare for West Badin Festival. He asked when the waterfront park would be available for events. Almond said limited areas have been used for small events but most is still a construction site. Rife advised to not expect anything until late next summer.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Huntley called the meeting to order.

AMENDMENT(S) TO THE AGENDA

Motion to add 7(a) Christmas Treat Bags: Rife

Second: Ward

Vote: Passed/Unanimous 4-0

Motion to add 7(b) Benches for Waterfront Park: C. Council
Second: Rife
Vote: Passed/Unanimous 4-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve October 14, 2025 Regular meeting minutes: C. Council
Second: Rife
Vote: Passed/3-1
Huntley- Aye
C. Council- Aye
Rife- Aye
Ward- Nay

Motion to approve October 28, 2025 Special meeting minutes: C. Council
Second: Ward
Vote: Passed/Unanimous 4-0

BUSINESS

Motion to donate \$350 to cover candy for treat bags for the Tree Lighting event: Rife
Second: C. Council
Vote: Passed/Unanimous 4-0

C. Council asked about benches donated for installation in the waterfront park. Almond said four were required by PARTF, and he secured five bench donations at \$3,000 each. The fifth one was approved by council for installation in the Central-Business (C-B) District.

Motion to appoint Jackie Burch to fill the remainder of the unexpired term of the West Badin District seat on Badin Town Council vacated by the late Deloris Chambers: C. Council
Second: Ward
Vote: Passed/Unanimous 4-0

Tito Thomas described a project concept from 501(c)3 Badin 4 Life (B4L). Thomas is looking to open an outreach center in Badin, and has been talking with Alcoa. He said there are differences between outreach centers and community centers. Thomas said Alcoa asked him if the town council feels his proposal is viable and needed in the town. Alcoa hasn't committed to anything yet. He said Jackson St. is the proposed location and he would need to purchase the property.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Eudy reported the following:

- Next limb/brush collection December 2, 2025.
- 7 Loads of brush for October.
- Town Cleanup totals: 16 loads general, 2 pickup trucks electronics, 1 load tires, Totaling 39,650 lbs, Cost of \$907.08. Received \$52.20 for scrap metal
- New boom mower is ready. Older boom mower should be ready this week.
- Christmas lights will start going up next week.

Valerie Tyson said trash on Washington St. is getting worse.

POLICE REPORT:

- Chief Smith reported 2,360 calls for service in October.
- Larceny and B&Es usually rise during the holidays.
- Police Dept. had some training at the prison in October.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Almond presented financial report ending November 7, 2025. October revenues from property tax, sales & use tax and occupancy tax.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Almond reported the following:

1. Rife will attend the Stanly County CVB meeting 8:30 a.m., Wed., Nov. 12.
2. Staff provided letter to NCDPR committing to restroom provision concurrent with Waterfront Park Phase 1. Currently awaiting revised scope approval. Council committed restroom funds during Phase 1.
3. Seven open code cases, two have been closed. Closed cases: 321 Grant and 323 Sumpter.
4. Two sections of curb were damaged during Falls Road resurfacing. One is a storm drain at 55 Falls Rd. that will be replaced to match existing facilities. Another is 28 Falls Rd. and additional detail is being sought through NCDOT.
5. Town of New London will host the next COG meeting 6:30 p.m., Nov. 25 in the Culp Lumber meeting center. Almond, Ward, Huntley, Council, and Rife will attend.
6. Love Thy Neighbor-Stanly will host the 10th Annual Community Thanksgiving at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Nov. 15 free of charge in Isiah Westbrook Community Center.
7. Badin Town Hall will be closed Nov. 11 in observance of Veterans Day and Nov. 27-28 in observance of Thanksgiving.
8. The next Regular Council meeting will be 7 p.m., Dec. 9, 2025 in Badin Town Hall.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

C. Council said they need to revisit the feeding of wild deer in town and look at the website model. Almond presented the council with a sample of the new website. Council consensus is to move forward on the website. C. Council asked if Eudy could contact HPC to price clearing underbrush in West Badin Park above the basketball court. Eudy will contact them.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn November 10, 2025 Regular Meeting: C. Council

Second: Ward

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Minutes approved December 9, 2025.

Minutes prepared by Amanda Bowers.