

**CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2025**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following were present:

Mayor David Moore	Jonathan Blanton, City Manager
Mayor Pro Tem Lauren Shoemaker	Brian DuPont, Assistant City Manager
Councilman Ivory Craig	Alexis Hines, Human Resources Director
Councilman Jeff Meadows-arrived 7:23 pm	Brian Reagan, Police Chief
Councilman Bryan Hough	Greg Beal, Planning Director
Councilwoman Phyllis Harris	Ryan Baker, Fire Chief
Councilman Kenneth Reeves	Robert Stewart, Deputy Utilities Director
Marie M. Anders, City Attorney	Eric Smallwood, Parks and Recreation Director
Tara Douglas, City Clerk	Michelle Wood, Finance Director
	Matt Black, Economic Development Director
	Jason Green, Public Works Director

INVOCATION

Mayor Moore led the Council, staff, and attendees in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Boy Scout Troop 59 led the Council, staff, and attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SET THE AGENDA

Mayor Moore entertained a motion to set the agenda as presented.

**Motion:** Councilwoman Harris made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilman Hough seconded the motion.

*All Council members present and voting, voted in favor 5-0. (Motion Carried)*

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CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval to accept Assignment Assumption of Contract and Consent to Assignments from Red Clay to Aviator Paving Company - South Gateway Connector Road.
2. Approval to Award Contract for Pavement Preservation Project RFP to Slurry Pavers, Inc.
3. Approval of Application to the NCDOT's Pedestrian Safety Grant Program
4. Approval of Application for NCLM Safety Grant
5. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes — October 27, 2025
6. Approval of City Council Closed Session Minutes — October 27, 2025

Mayor Moore entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**Motion:** Councilman Hough made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Shoemaker seconded the motion.

*All Council members present and voting, voted in favor 5-0. (Motion Carried)*

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation by David Childers

***David Childers***

Mr. Childers recognized and thanked the Veterans in honor of Veteran’s Day. Mr. Childers thanked the City Council for their support and attendance at his induction ceremony to the North Carolina Music Hall of Fame.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Starr Clinton-140 Crestwood Drive: Starr Clinton introduced herself to the community. Ms. Clinton represents and is a nonprofit servant for the hearing impaired.
2. Quentin Goodwin- 312 W. Glendale: Paston Goodwin came to acknowledge the community’s needs. Pastor Goodwin stated that the faith communities are at work to address the needs of the citizens. Pastor Goodwin mentioned blessing boxes in the area and discussed various community events.
3. Catie Cheek-410 Cherry Street Belmont: Ms. Cheek requested that the City invest in a fence for the playground area in one of the parks. Ms. Cheek requested age-appropriate play equipment for children who are not school age.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. City Manager Report

*Jonathan Blanton*

Mr. Blanton thanked the speakers for their presence at tonight's meeting. Mr. Blanton stated that there will not be a work session meeting and that he would like to share all of the exciting things that will be happening in Mount Holly between now and the next meeting in December. Mr. Blanton highlighted the successful Merry Market event that took place in the Grand Hall this past weekend and thanked our friends at Catalyst Mercantile. Mr. Blanton thanked the Mount Holly Historical Society for hosting their Veteran's Day program. Mr. Blanton reminded everyone that the City Administrative offices will be closed tomorrow for Veteran's Day but there will be no delay in residential garbage pickup. Mr. Blanton recapped the Mount Holly Museum ribbon cutting event on Sunday, November 2, 2025 stating that it was a great event and thanked everyone for attending. Mr. Blanton stated that the museum is open currently Monday through Friday through surveillance by the Mount Holly Police Department as we look towards staffing options and improvements to the museum. Mr. Blanton stated that the River Street Park bridge has arrived for the Dutchman's Creek connection to Tuckaseege Park. Mr. Blanton stated that Enbridge has given the City of Mount Holly a grant for the Disc Golf improvements at River Street Park. Mr. Blanton thanked the Parks and Recreation Director, Eric Smallwood, for taking the lead on this project. Mr. Blanton stated that Olde Mecklenburg Brewery expects that they will start construction at the end of the month with an estimated grand opening around Labor Day 2026. Mr. Blanton stated that the Planning Department is hosting a GIS Day on November 19, 2025 in the Grand Hall facilitated by Beth Ann Winebarger. Mr. Blanton stated that the Administrative Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup> and Friday November 28<sup>th</sup> and there will be a delay in garbage pickup. Mr. Blanton stated that we are excited to partner with the TDA for Small Business Saturday on November 29, 2025. Mr. Blanton discussed the upcoming Christmas events noting the carriage rides, the Deck the Hall event in the Grand Hall on December 5, 2025, and the Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 6, 2025. Mr. Blanton reviewed the Veteran's Park rendering that was shared at a previous meeting noting that this is just an initial design and that any final agreements will be subject to City Council approval. Mr. Blanton noted that City staff is meeting with Street Lights Residential every two weeks to continue the discussions. Mr. Blanton stated that there will be a Charrette in the Grand Hall that will be open to the public. Mr. Blanton stated that any final agreements will be addressed during a public hearing. Mr. Blanton shared a marketing video from GarlandBurks Marketing.

Councilman Meadows arrived at 7:23 pm during the City Manager Report.

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CLOSED SESSION

1. Closed Session Pursuant to N.C.G.S 143-318.11(a) (3 and 5)

Mayor Moore entertained a motion to go out of the regular meeting and into closed session.

**Motion:** Councilman Craig made a motion to go out of the regular meeting and into closed session at 7:25 pm. Councilman Hough seconded the motion.

*All Council members present and voting, voted in favor 6-0. (Motion Carried)*

**Motion:** Councilman Hough made a motion to come out of closed session and back into the regular meeting at 8:01 pm. Councilman Meadows seconded the motion.

*All Council members present and voting, voted in favor 6-0. (Motion Carried)*

ADJORN

**Motion:** Councilman Hough made a motion to adjourn the November 10 , 2025 City Council meeting at 8:01pm. Councilwoman Harris seconded the motion.

*All Council members present and voting, voted in favor 6-0. (Motion Carried)*

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.