

REGULAR SESSION

October 14, 2026

The Essex City Council met in regular session in the Essex Community Room at 7:00 PM. Mayor Kinney called the meeting to order and roll call was taken showing the following members of the Council present or absent. Present: Ballinger, Franks, Gresham, Naico. Absent: Eshelman. City Clerk Catherine Moore was also present.

The agenda was approved. Motion by Naico, second by Gresham. Ayes: All.

Members of the public present: None until 7:15pm than Matt Franks

Public Comments: None

Acceptance of monthly Page County Sheriff's report September 1, 2026 – September 30, 2026. Motion by Gresham, second by Franks. Ayes: All

Acceptance of delinquent utilities report. Motion by Ballinger, second by Naico. Ayes: All.

Approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement for the 2023 Water System Improvements Project. Motion by Franks, second by Gresham. Ayes: All.

Jason Rystrom, Shenandoah Sanitation to discuss trash pickup options, was not present nothing discussed

Approval of ECC request for trunk or treat. Motion by Franks, second by Ballinger. Ayes: All.

Approval of ECS request to use EYS trailer for Haunted hayrack ride. Motion by Ballinger, second by Gresham. Ayes: All.

Approval Annual Urban Renewal Report, Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Motion by Ballinger, second by Franks. Ayes: All.

Fire Chief Matt Franks gave an update on EMS Services; he has uploaded everything and is working on the deficiencies. We are trying to appeal the 1-year waiting period to get certification back. Mayor Kinney also noted the city attorney is also working on this appeal and will update once more information is available.

Approval of request to submit RFP for annual exam FY 25/26 and audit FY 26/27. All. Motion by Franks, second by Gresham. Ayes: All.

Public comment on agenda items: None.

Approval of consent agenda. Minutes: September 9, 2026, October 5, 2026; Treasurer's Report September 30, 2026; Abstract of Claims September 10, 2026 – October 14, 2026. Motion by Naico, second by Ballinger. Ayes: All.

Attorney updates will now be a letter sent each month unless there is a pressing need for our attorney to attend the meeting. Attorney updated on the legal status of each nuisance property and

cases she is currently working on, all matters are in the attorney's hands and will proceed as previously advised.

The City Clerk updated the council that the city received a thank you card from ECC thanking the city and council for everyone's help and support during Labor Day, and that Tess had left a note that Mr. Leininger from the school is interested in having his class fix the damaged picnic tables if the city purchase supplies. Council would like him to provide a list of what's needed and move forward.

Council updates: Gresham said grass seed and tilling is needed at Heritage Park where overspray killed grass, and the batteries need charged in the orange truck and the snow blower and sand spreader need looked over before winter. Mayor Kinney updated on illegal dumping on airport road, closing Pendelton road when it rains and gates, working on getting a scope of work for the bandstand at the park.

Good News:

- Betty – Garage repairs finished from fire!
- Cathy – Got to see Tracy Lawrence in concert!
- Dennis – Got dogs haircut
- Kevin – Finished harvesting in Missouri
- Patti – Went to a great concert and got to meet them!
- Calvin –Grandaugther is doing better but they still have more questions then answers

Adjournment at 8:31PM. Motion by Franks, second by Gresham. Ayes: All.

Mayor, Calvin L. Kinney

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Catherine Moore