

**Town of Onancock  
Town Council Meeting  
Monday, June 22, 2026  
6:00PM**

- 1. Call to order and roll call.** – Mayor Fletcher Fosque called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and roll was called. Council members Lisa Fiege, Cindy Holdren, Sarah Nock, Ashley Pettit, Ann Quigley, and Mayor Fletcher Fosque were present. Councilmember Omar Grubb arrived at 6:15 PM. Town Manager Wesley Wootten and Deputy Town Clerk Hannah Ayres were also present.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Consider approval of meeting minutes:**
  - **Regular Meeting, May 18, 2026** – Councilmember Fiege moved to approve the meeting minutes. Councilmember Nock seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.
- 4. Public Hearing**
  - **No public hearings were scheduled.**
- 5. Public Presentation**
  - **Ron Wolff, Executive Director of Eastern Shore Rail Trail** - Mr. Wolff gave a presentation on long-term transportation and recreation initiative that will convert the former Bay Coast Railroad corridor into a 49.1 mile shared-use trail. Project funding was a combination of federal transportation grants, Virginia state transportation funding, and local government participation. When complete, the Eastern Shore Rail Trail will create a continuous regional trail that links communities across Virginia's Eastern Shore, providing a safe transportation alternative while supporting recreation, tourism, conservation, and economic development.
- 6. Council Discussion**
  - **No items were scheduled.**

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**7. Council Action**

- **FY26-27 Budget Vote** – Councilmember Fiege moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-02. Councilmember Holdren seconded the motion. Councilmember Fiege moved to table the original motion. Councilmember Nock seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.
  - **Councilmember Holdren moved to zero out the \$30,000 for the Communications/Website expenditure with the understanding that if we have the balance available in the ensuing months and if the Town Manager feels that it is in the best interests of the Town, then it could be funded later. Councilmember Fiege seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.**
- **FY 26-27 Tax Levy Vote** – Councilmember Fiege moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-01. Councilmember Holdren seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Councilmember Fiege – aye  
Councilmember Grubb – aye  
Councilmember Holdren – aye  
Councilmember Nock – aye  
Councilmember Pettit – aye  
Councilmember Quigley – aye

The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

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- **FY26-27 Budget Vote** - Councilmember Fiege moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-02 as previously read. Councilmember Holdren seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Councilmember Fiege – aye  
Councilmember Grubb – aye  
Councilmember Holdren – aye  
Councilmember Nock – aye  
Councilmember Pettit – aye  
Councilmember Quigley – aye

The motion carried with a 6-0 vote

- **Crosswalks Grant Vote** - Councilmember Quigley moved the Town Manager and staff explore options for crosswalk and traffic calming in the town and come back with a recommendation by the end of the year as to number, location, pros, cons, and funding. Councilmember Fiege seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 5-1 vote with Councilmember Holdren voting nay.
- **Crosswalks Grant Vote** – Councilmember Quigley moved that Town Council take no action on Resolution 2026-03 regarding funding the locality’s share of projects under agreement with VDOT. Councilmember Fiege seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.
- **Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance (HRSD)** – Councilmember Fiege moved to approve Resolution 2026-04. Councilmember Nock seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

**8. Committee Reports**

- **Economic Development Authority (EDA) (Ann Quigley)** – Councilmember Quigley reported the EDA met in June with all seven directors present. The meeting was productive. She also reported that the EDA and its directors are developing a plan outlining the Authority’s goals and priorities for the remainder of the year.

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- Planning Commission (Cindy Holdren) – Councilmember Holdren reported that the Planning Commission continues work on the revised Comprehensive Plan. The Commission held its regular June meeting as well as an additional work session.

**9. Community Reports**

- **Onancock Sails Forward – (Lisa Fiege/Debbie Caton)** – Councilmember Fiege thanked all involved in making the event a success. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive. A post-event review meeting will be scheduled to discuss lessons learned and best practice for future large events.
- **Historic Onancock School (HOS) (Sarah Nock)** – Councilmember Nock reported HOS was pleased to participate in the weekend’s activities. Fire restoration work continues at the school. Two additional summer concerts are planned, with details to be announced.
- **Onancock Main Street (OMS) (Lisa Fiege)** – Councilmember Fiege reported OMS is working to close out the Downtown Investment Grant (DIG). OMS will participate in Second Friday, July 10, 2026, to recognize and thank new business owners.

**10. Public Comments**

- Geoff Daking – Mr. Daking congratulated the Town Council on its decision to take no action regarding the proposed crosswalk project.
- Kasey Grier - Ms. Grier asked whether the Onancock Sails Forward post-event review would include surveying local businesses to determine any increase in sales during the event.
- Karyn Belknap – Ms. Belknap thanked everyone involved in making Onancock Sails Forward a success.
- Jeff Vernimb – Mr. Vernimb thanked everyone who contributed to the success of Onancock Sails Forward.

**11. Mayor’s Report** – Mayor Fosque thanked Town staff, committee members and everyone who contributed to the success of Onancock Sails Forward.

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The mayor announced the election filing period closed on Tuesday, June 16, 2026. The ballot will include:

- **One two-year term:** Kasey Grier (only candidate filing)
- **Three four-year terms:** Cindy Holdren, Jim McGowan, Ashley Pettit, and Ann Quigley filed as candidates.

**12. Town Manager's Report** – The full Manager's Report is available in the Town Council Packet.

- Financial Report – A full financial report is part of the Town Council packet.
- Police Report – A full report is part of the Town Council packet.

**13. Town Councilmember comments** –

- Councilmember Fiege – Councilmember Fiege reported on the Personnel Meeting met and discussed conducting a six-month performance check-in with Town Manager Wesley Wootten. The committee also reviewed the employee handbook and discussed the development of employee job descriptions.
- Councilmember Grubb – Councilmember Grubb only attended the fireworks display during the Onancock Sails Forward weekend, but his family enjoyed the show. He also acknowledged that he has not contributed as much as he would like to the Welcome Center and thanked Hannah Ayres for maintaining the decorations and assisting with its upkeep.
- Councilmember Holdren – Councilmember Holdren explained her rationale for voting against the crosswalk project. She also stated she would like to review the results of the Comprehensive Water Study to better understand future infrastructure needs and budget impacts. Councilmember Holdren noted she is no longer a member of the OMS board.
- Councilmember Nock – Councilmember Nock thanked everyone for the success of Onancock Sails Forward.
- Councilmember Pettit – no comments.

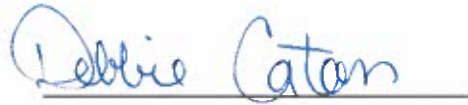
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- Councilmember Quigley – Councilmember Quigley echoed appreciation to everyone who contributed to the success of Onancock Sails Forward.

**14. Adjourn** – Councilmember Fiege moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Nock seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

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Fletcher Fosque, Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Debbie Caton", written over a horizontal line.

Debbie Caton, Town Clerk