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### **REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING**

The Nauvoo Town Council met for a Regular Scheduled Council meeting on January 16, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Nauvoo Town Hall. Mayor Terry Burgett in the chair with Clerk Nicole Garner acting as recording secretary. Mayor Burgett called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The following council members were present upon roll call: Olivia Allbritton, Deb Barton, Christian Dill, Denice Perry, Melinda Wills, and Terry Burgett. Visitors in attendance were Nick McDonald, Matt Sanford, Drew Sanford, McKenzie McDonald, Cheyenne Wellman, and Dave Bechtel. Barton opened the meeting with a prayer and Allbritton led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Burgett gave the floor to Dave Bechtel of Utility Engineering Consultants. Bechtel discussed the possibility of the town applying for a Rebuild Alabama grant for \$250,000, with no match, to replace two bridges and pave some roads in town limits. This grant could also be combined with a federal grant. Wills moved to have Bechtel apply for the grants on behalf of the town and to allow the mayor to sign any agreements associated with the such. Dill seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote was as follows: YEAS – Allbritton, Barton, Dill, Perry, Wills; NAYS – None. Motion carried.

Barton moved to approve the December financials. Wills seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Barton moved to approve the minutes of December 19, 2025, and January 5, 2026 as presented. Dill seconded the motion and all were in favor.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Employee Sick Time: Allbritton moved to give employees nine hours of sick time each month and to update the employee handbook to reflect the change. Dill seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote was as follows: YEAS – Allbritton, Barton, Dill, Perry, Wills; NAYS – None. Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Mayor's attendance to ALM Spring Convention: Dill moved to allow the expenditure of \$450 for the mayor's attendance fee and mileage reimbursements to attend the convention. Wills seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote was as follows: YEAS – Allbritton, Barton, Dill, Perry, Wills; NAYS – None. Motion carried.
- Park fencing: Wills moved to table the topic. Allbritton seconded the motion. All were in favor.

- FEMA Grant: Fire Chief Matt Sanford asked for the council's approval to apply for two FEMA grants and have Dean Harbison be the grant administrator and write the grants. Harbison's fee would be \$500 a grant, totaling \$1,000. One grant would be for 24 sets of turnout gear with an estimated total of \$124,000 with 5% match. The other grant would be to purchase a new pumper tanker for an estimated total being \$900,000 and would require a 5% match with the match estimated to be about \$45,000.
- The fencing at the park was brought back up: After some discussion, Wills moved to transfer \$15,000 from the General Fund to the Park and Rec account to cover fencing material/installation. Dill seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote was as follows: YEAS – Allbritton, Barton, Dill, Perry, Wills; NAYS – None. Motion carried.

Mayor Burgett gave the following announcements:

- The next regular scheduled council meeting is set for February 20, 2026, at 10:00 AM.
- NVFD is hosting a blood drive on January 31, 2026, from 11:00 to 3:00.

Barton moved to adjourn the meeting. Dill seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 11:04 am.



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Nicole Garner, Clerk