

Village of North Henderson
Trustee Meeting
January 8, 2026
6:30pm at Floral Hall

President Tim Stage called the January 8, 2026 meeting to order at 6:30pm with a roll call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Diane Brown, Angie Chandlee, Karin Simkins and Cheryl Stevens.
Also Present: President Tim Stage, Treasurer Gary Whitcomb, and Clerk Melody Hall
Visiting: Jim and Karen Tucker, Ahmed Abdalla, Ariel Stropes, Tammy, and Daryl Stropes
Absent: Trustee Christian Sparh

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

MINUTES

Trustee Chandlee made a motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

Trustee Brown made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, 2nd by Trustee Chandlee. All in favor, motion carried.

BILLS

Trustee Simkins made a motion to pay the bills, 2nd by Trustee Simkins. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Coloring Contest

Clerk Hall stated she is not sure as to why there were not more entries. She had it in the paper, newsletter and did an all call. These were the only entries. The only entries and winners were as follows:

0-5 years	Caleb Chandlee
6-11 years	Harper Chandlee
12+ years	Bree Jones

Trustee Chandlee asked if there was going to be any prizes. Clerk Hall stated she was going to get the younger ones a gift card to 5 Below and the board approved to get Bree some type of prize that she may like.

Ball Diamond Grant

Trustee Chandlee stated that she did not apply for the grant. She asked for two quotes and the only one that came in was for \$90,000.00. Trustee Chandlee stated she never heard on the second quote. Also, she would have had to show where the village would have come up with the remaining balance after the grant. President Stage asked of that was for the bleachers and everything at the ball diamond. Trustee Chandlee answered, "no just the lights."

NEW BUSINESS

President Stage stated he would like to have an advisory committee and would like Jim Tucker to be on the committee since he has been a past president. Trustee Brown stated that Ron Brown would be another past president he could be able to talk to. President Stage stated he would be a good one and will talk to him about it. President Stage stated he would also like to see the board become an outsource and resource committee instead of a complaint and correction committee.

Mercer County Senior Center Donation

Trustee Chandlee made a motion to donate \$50.00 to the Senior Center, 2nd by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion carried.

Shack – 400 West St

President Stage stated he spoke to Ahmed Abdalla, the owner of the property on 400 West St. He explained to him the village has ordinance on properties and buildings and right now he is in violation. Mr. Abdalla stated he would clean up the property when the weather warms up. Mr. Abdalla showed the board a picture of a shed he plans on building. President Stage stated while talking to him he looked around and saw various ordinance violations that need to be corrected.

Ariel Stropes

President Stage stated a couple months back there was a complaint about the ^{odor} order from a septic tank from the property located at 600 Main St. At that time, it was stated that the septic tank needed repairs and was uncovered. President Stage continued to state he contacted Mercer County Health Department and was informed there was a case on file, but it had gone stagnate but now it would be reactivated. President Stage stated he left it at that and shared the information with the citizens that made the complaint. President Stage stated Clerk Hall shared a text message with him that was very alarming, but he would have felt the same way if he was in the position as the person that sent the message. Part of the original complaint was there was young child that runs around the property, and they were afraid the child would fall into the septic tank. Part of the text message made it sound like someone on the board called DCFS. That is the last thing anyone would want. President Stage turned the floor over to Ariel Stropes. Ms. Stropes stated she is following the guidelines from DCFS. Also, she is in compliance with the Health Department and is waiting on the funds so the problem can be taken care of.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Visitor Jim Tucker commented that the gas tanks were removed years ago on the property on Main Street. Visitor Daryl Stropes commented the issues with the owners of the property at 600 Main St and the neighbor started when the fence went up. Also, he is confirming that Ariel is waiting for the funds to repair the septic tank.

President Stage stated with no other business or public comment he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Brown made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Trustee Stevens. All in favor motion carried.

The Village of North Henderson Trustee Meeting for January 8, 2026, adjourned at 7:15pm with the next meeting scheduled for February 12, 2026, 6:30pm at the Floral Hall,

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Tim Stage
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