

Town of New London  
Board of Commissioner's Meeting  
December 2, 2025

Mayor Tate Daniels welcomed everyone and opened the Commissioner's Meeting. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Bill Peak, Richard Kimmer, Bob Loflin, Timothy Higgins, and Town Manager Susan Almond. Commissioner Sid Lanier was absent from the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Kimmer. Mayor Daniels asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Commissioner Loflin made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Higgins. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Daniels asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the November meeting. There being no corrections, Commissioner Peak made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Loflin. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment Period-** None

**Confirm Board Meeting Date & Time for 2026-** Commissioner Peak made a motion to continue the Board Meeting Schedule for the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm, seconded by Commissioner Higgins. Motion carried unanimously.

**Sewer Report-** Commissioner Peak reported that the Fiberon generator had a new controller installed and is functioning properly.

**Mulching along Hwy 52 at New London Memorial Park-** Commissioner Loflin recommended we remove the invasive plants and mulch the area from Memorial Park entrance to where the old first paved driveway was located on the park property.

**Update on 104 Depot Street-** the New London Volunteer Fire Department plans to perform a controlled burn on the structure on Saturday.

**Street Update-** Unlimited Tree Service cut back the overgrowth along the curve on Autumn Lane. Drainage concerns along Autumn Lane will be addressed in the near future.

**Mrs. Almond reported on the following:**

- **Santa in the Park-** Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at New London Memorial Park.
- **Vacuum Leaf Collection-** Waste Management will be vacuuming leaves Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.

- **Rocky River Rural Planning Organization- TAC (Technical Advisory Committee- Elected Officials) Representative & Alternate-** Commissioner Higgins made a motion for Commissioner Peak to continue as the Representative with Commissioner Kimmer as alternate, seconded by Commissioner Loflin. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Rocky River Rural Planning Organization- TCC (Technical Coordinating Committee) Representative & Alternate-** Commissioner Kimmer made a motion for Mrs. Almond to continue as the Representative with Mayor Daniels as alternate, seconded by Commissioner Loflin. Motion carried unanimously.

**Mayor Daniels gave an update on the following:**

- **Hometown Hero Banners-** We had 12 hero banners that were purchased to honor deceased armed forces personnel who served in a military conflict. Banners were installed a few weeks ago and will be displayed until January and again in May in observance of Memorial Day.
- **COG Meeting Update-** The America 250 NC Stanly County Planning Committee delivered a presentation about the planned events and encouraged participation from local governments across Stanly County to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 2026. They wanted to ensure that any community planning its own 250th celebration is included in our countywide calendar.
- **Sign Regulations-** We would like to review our square footage requirements for free standing pole signs in the highway business (H-B), light manufacturing (M-1) and heavy manufacturing (M-2) zoning districts. The Planning Board will review these regulations at their next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.
- **Fire Department Appreciation Meal-** Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at New London Volunteer Fire Department.
- **Proclamation Request Regarding 1976 North Stanly Women’s Basketball Team-** Mr. Lonnie Chandler requested we consider adopting a Proclamation to declare Friday, January 16, 2026 “NS Plow Jock Power Championship Day” to honor the 1976 North Stanly Women’s Basketball team who won the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association (WNCHSAA) Basketball Championship but were never formally recognized. The team claimed the county’s only state level women’s basketball championship title in 1976 by a Stanly County school. A presentation to recognize the 1976 team will take place at halftime during the home basketball game at North Stanly on January 16, 2026. Commissioner Bob Loflin made a motion to adopt this proclamation, seconded by Commissioner Kimmer. Motion carried unanimously.

The agenda being accomplished, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.  
Minutes submitted by Susan Almond, Town Manager.