MINUTES OF THE RICHFIELD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Date: September 28, 2026
Location: Richfield Town Hall
Time: 6:00 PM Board of Commissioners Meeting

Attendance

Present: Mayor CJ Crisco; Commissioners Kevin Almond, Barry Byrd, Christy NeCaise, Cynthia Heglar, **Absent**: Mike Beaver

Visitors Present: Jeff Balfrey, Terri Byrd, Scottie Heglar, Savannah Burleson, Carson Yukel, June Almond, Victoria Greene, Robert Greene, John Risley, Bonnie Smith

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Call to Order

Mayor Crisco called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer (by Carson Yuckel) was performed.

Approve Agenda

Motion 114-26: Commissioner Heglar motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner NeCaise seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Formal Request:

Jeff Balfrey: Mr. Balfrey covered a wide range of issues and concerns surrounding RedSpeed. Issues included items such as: citation hours, collected data, how to pay for citations issued, unpaid citation liens, resources, officer review, Board of Education allocation of funds collected, Flock cameras, false arrests/reports.

Sheriff Crisco: Sheriff Crisco was invited to speak on RedSpeed. He announced that RedSpeed is doing a free speed study across the county to see if we have a problem. Commissioner Byrd asked if it would be possible to get an officer 1 day a month to see if there is speeding in the school zone. Sheriff Crisco said yes and encourages them to do this.

Public Comments:

John Risley: Mr. Risley thanked everyone that supported, donated, helped with the Appreciation Dinner honoring North Stanly Fire/EMS/Law Enforcement.

Consent Agenda

Approve August 24, 2026 Minutes

Motion 115-26: Commissioner NeCaise motioned to approve the minutes. Commissioner Almond seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion 116-26: Commissioner Heglar motioned to approve financials for July. Commissioner NeCaise seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

RedSpeed: No further discussion on this topic.

Code Enforcement: Mayor Crisco revisits the company IBTS. Mayor Crisco let everyone know that legal counsel recommends the town keep zoning enforcement in-house but not minimum housing and nuisance. Commissioner Byrd talked about setting a date for grandfathering in, Mayor Crisco suggested November 1st so further discussion can take place with legal counsel.

Motion 117-26: Commissioner Byrd motioned to move forward with in-house zoning enforcement. Commissioner NeCaise seconded. Commissioner Heglar asked if letters should be sent out to residents notifying them about the in-house enforcement. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion 118-26: Commissioner Byrd motioned to table further conversation about enforcing nuisance and minimum housing in city limits until Mayor Crisco can discuss further with legal counsel. Commissioner NeCaise seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Town Hall:

Motion 119-26: Commissioner Byrd motioned to table this conversation until a full Board is present. Commissioner Heglar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Department Reports

Commissioner Almond – Commissioner Almond made everyone aware that Scottie Heglar put up the new radar signs.

Commissioner NeCaise – Parks & Recreation: Commissioner NeCaise announced that Richfield Elementary School is having a trunk or treat on October 30th from 5:30-6:30 with a movie night at 7pm at Richfield Park. Commissioner NeCaise discussed power being ran to the bathrooms on the left side of the park.

Motion 120-26: Commissioner NeCaise motioned to approve the bid of $3637.50 to hook up power to the bathroom. Commissioner Almond seconded. Commissioner Byrd asked why there weren't 3 bids presented. Motion carried 3-1 with Commissioner Byrd nay.

Commissioner NeCaise said she was working on some banners sponsored by First Bank.

Commissioner Heglar – Finance: Commissioner Heglar updated the Board on the new pay dates and Commissioner checks would be available on the 5th of each month. Commissioner Heglar let everyone know that Richfield is hosting the COG meeting on November 17th. It will be at the 102 Spot. Commissioner Heglar said the funds would come out of line item 411.311. Mayor Crisco said he received quotes from Log Cabin, Marlees and Alfredos.

Motion 121-26: Commissioner Byrd motioned to approve spending up to $922. Commissioner Almond seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Heglar mentioned a free training opportunity available October 14-16 for anyone interested. Commissioner Heglar made everyone aware that Teresa Smith would be taking Ann Moore's spot and she would be our new contact due to the town being on the UAL list. She said they would like to meet and are available on 10/27 at 11am or 2pm.

Commissioner Byrd – Zoning: Commissioner Byrd discussed electrical at the park and money for remodeling. There was a brief discussion about budgeting for a grant and making this power accessible for future projects. Commissioner NeCaise said they were working on drawing plans for future ideas for the park.

Commissioner Byrd asked Jeff Balfrey to speak on behalf of the planning board. Commissioner Byrd said the recommendation from the Planning Board was to put a 6-month hold on data centers. Mr. Balfrey confirmed and said they would like to have more time to get a process in place and update the zoning ordinance.

Motion 122-26: Commissioner Byrd motioned for a 6-month moratorium to postpone data centers. Commissioner Heglar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Beaver – Maintenance: Absent

Mayor Crisco: Mayor Crisco said the children at play sign was damaged at Danritch Drive. He asked the board if they would like to purchase 22 Children at Play signed from Eddie's signs for $688, brackets and poles not included. A brief discussion was had.

Mayor Crisco reminded everyone that Richfield Business Alliance would have their first meeting on October 19th at 7pm.

Motion 123-26: Commissioner NeCaise motioned to reschedule the October Board of Commissioners meeting to Tuesday, October 20th at 6pm. Commissioner Byrd seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed having a Public Forum on the subject of a new town hall during the October 20th meeting. The board discussed a 3-minute time limit for speakers and comments must be on this subject only.

Motion 124-26: Commissioner Almond motioned to have the Public Forum with a 3-minute speaker time limit on the new town hall subject only. Commissioner NeCaise seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Crisco asked Ms. Capps to get blinds or tinting for the windows at the front door.

Mayor Crisco thanked Lynn Galloway and Will Harrington for help putting up the new signs on the City Limits sign. Mayor Crisco also thanked Rusty Hartsell and Ryan Layton.

Mayor Crisco made everyone aware of leadership change at the NCDOT.

Mayor Crisco announced an upcoming event on October 24th at 10am, a 10th Anniversary Celebration with the Friends of North Stanly Trails and Parks.

Mayor Crisco discussed the need to suspend the AOL email and asked Ms. Capps if she would reach out to all vendors and have them switch our contact over to the .gov email address.

Mayor Crisco advised that he spoke with legal counsel on training for the Board of Adjustment.

Motion 125-26: Commissioner NeCaise motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Almond seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor

Clerk

Date: 9-28-26

