

HILLIARD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Hilliard Town Hall / Council Chambers
15859 West County Road 108
Post Office Box 249
Hilliard, FL 32046

TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

John P. Beasley, Mayor
Kenny Sims, Council President
Lee Pickett, Council Pro Tem
Joe Michaels, Councilman
Jared Wollitz, Councilman
Dallis Hunter, Councilman

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Lisa Purvis, Town Clerk
Cory Hobbs, Public Works Director
Gabe Whittenburg, Parks & Rec Director

TOWN ATTORNEY

Christian Waugh

MINUTES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 06, 2025, 6:00 PM

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

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PLEDGE OF CIVILITY

WE WILL BE RESPECTFUL OF ONE ANOTHER
EVEN WHEN WE DISAGREE.
WE WILL DIRECT ALL COMMENTS TO THE ISSUES.
WE WILL AVOID PERSONAL ATTACKS.
"Politeness costs so little." – ABRAHAM LINCOLN

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor John Beasley
Council President Kenny Sims
Council Pro Tem Lee Pickett
Councilman Jared Wollitz
Councilman Dallis Hunter
Councilman Joe Michaels

SPECIAL MEETING

ITEM-1 Additions/Deletions to Agenda

No items are added or deleted from the agenda.

ITEM-2 Town Council to discuss current office staff situation at Town Hall.

Mayor Beasley

Mayor Beasley explains that he called tonight's meeting to find out what Town Clerk Lisa Purvis' plan is moving forward.

The following citizens submit request to speak sheets on this item:

Glenn Higginbotham 3754 Wade Drive, Hilliard, FL speaks highly of all the things that Town Clerk Lisa Purvis has done for the Town.

Alax Purvis 271 Purvis Lane, Hilliard, FL speaks out regarding what was said at the October 2, 2025, regular meeting about Town Clerk Lisa Purvis and state that the Town Council should not be listing to just one side of a story. That she knows more than anyone the dedication and work that she has put into this Town.

Ali Purvis 2476 State Road 2, Hilliard, FL states that she was only going to speak if her sister was not given enough time to say what she wanted to say tonight.

Ursula Jones 27207 Pond Drive, Hilliard, FL states that she loves all of the wonderful things that Town Clerk Lisa Purvis has done for this Town and about what a lovely human being she and that she loves her dearly.

Mary Lou Humphrey 362010 Pine Street, Hilliard, FL states that she had to come tonight and speak on all of the great things that Town Clerk Lisa Purvis has done for this Town and that if she had not have came tonight she would have been upset with herself for the rest of her life.

Town Clerk Lisa Purvis starts out by fully acknowledging that she was unprofessional in her venting and name calling amongst staff members. She then apologizes and states that it will never happen again. She states that professionalism includes open communication and that she cannot fix issues that she does not know are an issue. She would like the opportunity to fix issues that are brought to others attention. That she would like in the future for issues to not be brought out publicly as that makes the entire Town look bad. There is a chain of command, and it should also be followed. She further states that she has written a purposed draft resolution and action plan that she will send out along with her proposed draft succession plan for review at the next monthly workshop. Town Clerk Lisa Purvis reads an insert from the exit interview of former employee Calen Burnette, along with letters of praise from two former employees Danyelle Minchew and Sharon Blanton.

Town Council Members speak on issues that they have and state moving forward they would like for the Town Clerk to advertise and actively pursue hiring a Deputy Town Clerk to act as human resources and supervise the office staff.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

PUBLIC

Jack Bailey 37661 Kings Ferry Road, Hilliard, FL speaks regarding the October 2, 2025, Town Council Meeting and how upsetting it was to see the Council allow a disgruntle employee to speak to your Town Clerk the way that she did.

Alax Purvis 271 Purvis Lane, Hilliard, FL speaks regarding respect and ethics and that she has witnessed many Town meeting videos where the Council has spoken over the Town Clerk and with a tone and how that makes her feel.

MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor Beasley reminds everyone of the upcoming October 9, 2025, monthly workshop at 6:00 p.m. and the October 16, 2025, regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

PRESENT:

Town Clerk Lisa Purvis

Public Works Director Cory Hobbs

Parks & Recreation Director Gabe Whittenburg

TOWN ATTORNEY

No comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Motion made by Council President Sims, Seconded by Council Pro Tem Pickett.

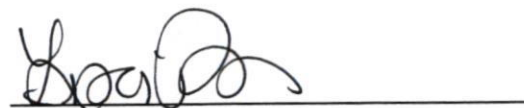
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

Approved this 16th day of October, 2025 by the Hilliard Town Council, Hilliard, Florida.



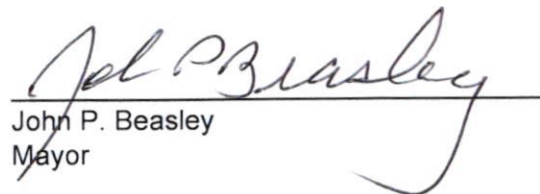
Kenneth A. Sims, Sr.
Council President

ATTEST:



Lisa Purvis
Town Clerk

APPROVED:



John P. Beasley
Mayor

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AGENDA ITEM SHEET

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AGENDA ITEM-NO.

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AGENDA ITEM TOPIC

STAFF SITUATION AT

TOWN HALL

FOR THE RECORD:

YOUR NAME

GLENN HIGGINBOTHAM

ADDRESS

3754 WADE DRIVE

PHONE NO.

904 534-9279

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AGENDA ITEM-NO. 2

AGENDA ITEM TOPIC Town Council to discuss current
office staff situation at Town Hall

FOR THE RECORD:

YOUR NAME Alax Purvis

ADDRESS 271 Purvis LN Hilliard, FL 32046

PHONE NO. 904.424.9266

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FOR THE RECORD:

YOUR NAME

Ali Hartman

ADDRESS

2476 State Rd 2 Hilliard Fl 32016

PHONE NO.

904.616.5102

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FOR THE RECORD:

YOUR NAME

URSULA JONES

ADDRESS

27202 POND DR, HILLIARD

PHONE NO.

408-218-1636

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AGENDA ITEM TOPIC 02 _____

FOR THE RECORD:

YOUR NAME Mary L Humphrey _____

ADDRESS 362010 Pine st _____

PHONE NO. 904 507 8823 _____