

**SNEADS TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 8, 2025**

The Town Council of the Town of Sneads, Florida met in a regular session at the Sneads Town Hall on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Mike Weeks called the meeting to order the following present:

Mike Weeks, Angela Locke,  
Kay Neel, Timmy Arnold and Timmy Perry, Council Members  
Daniel Cox, Attorney  
Bill Rentz, Town Manager  
Vacant, Police Chief  
Danielle Guy, Town Clerk  
Jordan Knight, Deputy Clerk

And the following were absent:

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mike Weeks made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Timmy Arnold seconded. All voted aye.

1. Minutes for **June 2025**
2. Financial Statements and Budget Review Summary
3. Pay Approved Bills

Agenda # 4, Proclamation, National Night Out proclamation presented by Mary Baker, See attached.

Agenda # 5, Budget hearing dates, Presented by Town Clerk Danielle Guy. See attached. Council stated they could all be present for 9/17/25 & 9/29/25 hearing dates @ 5:01 p.m. Milage rates were also discussed. Kay Neel motioned a increase to 4.36. Tim Arnold seconded.

Agenda # 6, Procurement, Dallas Ellis presented information pertaining to purchasing options.

Agenda # 7, JCBCC Interlocal agreement, See attached

Agenda # 8, Town Manager, Bill Rentz, Statement, In reference to the incident on 7/7/25 involving someone having a medical emergency at the City Hall. The administration jumped into action to help.

Agenda # 9, Resolution 25-06, DOT hwy 90. See attached, Timmy Arnold made the motion to accept, Timmy Perry seconded.

Agenda # 10, Ordinance 25-01, Flood plain management not ready yet.

Agenda # 11, Recreation, Darlings went to state, moving to soccer and flag football.

Agenda # 12, Town Manager, New Fire truck to be delivered in August, See attached notes

Agenda # 13, Town Attorney

Agenda # 14, Police, See attached report.

Agenda # 15, Fire, New fire truck is coming along. Showed photos.

Agenda # 16, Council Comments, Angie Locke asked for update on Pope St and also wanted to extend condolences for Sherri Pope's family. Wanted to request ACI to help make some more Christmas decorations this year. Kay Neel wanted to express how upsetting the derogatory comments on social media for the Town manager are and let people know what a wonderful job he has been doing for Sneads. Timmy Perry extended thanks to the Town Manager as well as Timmy Arnold.

Agenda # 17, Public Comments,  
Willey Beauchamp  
Dan Cox  
Ashley Johnson  
Wanda Holmes  
Pug Charles  
Mekko Yvholv Feke Seko

Agenda # 18, Timmy Perry Motioned for a vote to be made on the Town Managers potential options for the Police Department. Timmy Perry Motioned for option # 3 Timmy Arnold seconded, effective Oct 1, 2025.

Timmy Perry motioned for Brett Preston to be named Police Chief effective immediately. Timmy Arnold seconded.

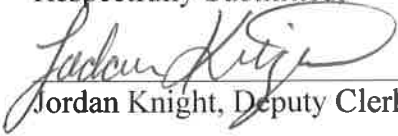
Ashley Johnson spoke up and asked about getting his raise, Timmy Perry motioned to give Ashley Johnson a raise to \$20.00 an hour. Timmy Arnould seconded.

Roll call was called

Timmy Arnold = yay  
Angie Locke = yay  
Mike Weeks = yay  
Kay Neel = nay

Mike Weeks made a motion to adjourn at 7:39 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Jordan Knight, Deputy Clerk

**APPROVED:**

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**MIKE WEEKS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

# Proclamation



## National Night Out 6 AUGUST 2025

*Whereas, the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) sponsors a national community-building campaign entitled "National Night Out;" and*

*Whereas, the National Night Out campaign provides an opportunity for neighbors in your town to join over 38 million neighbors across 18 thousand communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide; and*

*Whereas, National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes strong police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live and work; and*

*Whereas, neighbors in your town assist the local law enforcement agency through joint community-building efforts and support National Night Out 2024; and*

*Whereas, it is essential that all neighbors of our town come together with police and work together to build a safer, more caring community.*

**NOW, THEREFORE,** *We, the Sneads Town Council, of Sneads Florida, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, August 6, 2025, as "National Night Out" in our town. We recognize NNO and call upon all neighbors and citizens of Sneads to join the Town Council, American Heroes Motorcycle Association FL1 (AHMAFL1), First Ladies of Sneads and National Association of Town Watch, in support for National Night Out. We encourage all citizens to come out for a night of camaraderie.*

**Presented** *this 8th day of July 2025.*

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Mike Weeks, Council President

## **Budget Hearing Dates**

**All Council members MUST be present at these meetings.**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> @ 5:01pm

or Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> @ 5:01 pm

And

### **Final Reading**

Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> @ 5:01 pm

ALSO

We need an idea of what you all would like to do about a millage rate this year. Our current rate is 4.0883.

We were think about increasing ½ mill to **4.5883**, that would bring in an extra \$23,754 a year in property taxes.

If we do a roll back rate it would go to 4.1188, that would keep our property taxes the same at \$195,703 yearly.

This must be turned in before our next meeting, so I need to know this tonight.

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
JACKSON COUNTY AND TOWN OF SNEADS**

This Interlocal Agreement ("Agreement") is hereby made and entered into this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025, by and between Jackson County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (hereinafter called "County"), and the Town of Sneads, a municipal corporation in the State of Florida (hereinafter called "Town"). County and Town may each individually be referred to as "Party" or collectively as "Parties".

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, the parties are aware that the State of Florida may be impacted by severe weather events and natural disasters, for which Town and County desire to provide disaster debris removal and monitoring services; and

**WHEREAS**, the County entered into multiple contracts for Disaster Debris Removal and Monitoring Services (hereinafter called "Contractors"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Legislature found that safeguarding the life and property of its citizens is an innate responsibility of the governing body of each political subdivision of the state; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, known as the "Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969," authorizes local governmental units to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling them to cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services and facilities in a manner and pursuant to forms of governmental organization that will accord best with geographic, economic, population, and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Part 1 of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes permits "public agencies" as defined in Section 163.01(3)(b), to enter into interlocal agreements with each other to exercise jointly any power, privilege, or authority which such agencies share in common and which each might exercise separately; and

**WHEREAS**, the County does consent to the Town utilizing Contractors for purposes of disaster debris removal and monitoring related to affecting severe weather events and natural disasters within the municipal limits of Town; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises and conditions contained herein, the Town and County agree to the following terms:

**Section 1. Recitals**

Town and County agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2. Purpose**

The purpose of the Agreement is for County and Town to coordinate their mutual efforts to obtain State and Federal reimbursement, including but not limited to FEMA reimbursement, for all eligible costs incurred by Contractors for disaster debris removal and monitoring related to severe weather events

and natural disasters. The Parties acknowledge that reimbursement is subject to the availability of federal and state funds and compliance with all applicable requirements and deadlines. The Parties agree they will directly coordinate with Contractors for the provision of resources from Contractors pertaining to the Party's debris removal and monitoring from severe weather events or natural disasters.

### **Section 3. County Obligations**

The County hereby agrees to assume responsibility and liability for coordinating and managing the disaster debris removal and monitoring related to severe weather events or natural disasters within the corporate boundaries of Town, subject to the availability of County resources and personnel. The County further agrees to assume responsibility for the payment to Contractors for the disaster debris removal and monitoring related to the affecting severe weather events or natural disasters within the corporate boundaries of Town. The County also agrees to produce necessary documentation to state and federal agencies for reimbursement of storm debris removal, disposal, and monitoring services performed within the corporate boundaries of the Town and to produce to the Town necessary documentation showing the Town's share of any debris monitoring, removal, reduction, handling, and disposal costs not reimbursed by state or federal agencies. The County will pursue the undertaking in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations, including but not limited to FEMA guidelines and requirements for disaster debris removal and monitoring. The County shall maintain detailed records of all work performed and costs incurred under this Agreement.

### **Section 4. Town Obligations**

The Town agrees to reimburse the County for the Town's local share, if any, for the portion of the disaster debris removal and monitoring related to the affecting severe weather events or natural disasters not reimbursed by state or federal agencies. The Town further agrees to hold the County and its representatives harmless for unavoidable wear and tear associated with debris removal operations, provided such operations are conducted in accordance with applicable standards and regulations. The Town will pursue the undertaking in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations.

### **Section 5. Indemnification**

Subject to the provisions and only within the limitations of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, and without waiving sovereign immunity, the Parties recognize their respective tort liability for injury or loss of property, personal injury, or death caused by the negligent or wrongful act or omission of any employee acting within the scope of the employee's office or employment. It is expressly understood that this provision shall not be construed as: (1) a waiver of any right, defense or immunity that the Parties have under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, or any other statute, 2) an agreement by either Party hereto indemnify the other; or 3) consent by either Party to be sued by third parties. Each Party covenants to maintain sufficient general liability and worker's compensation coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, unless self-insured, regardless of its respective liability, throughout the term of this Agreement. Each Party shall provide proof of such coverage upon request.

### **Section 6. Modifications**

This Agreement may be modified or amended only by mutual written consent of the Parties.

### **Section 7. Relationship of the Parties**

The Parties hereto acknowledge that their relationship is that of independent entities. Neither Party's employees shall be deemed employees of the other Party, and each Party shall be responsible for all

wages, benefits, and employment-related obligations of its own employees. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to create a partnership or joint venture between the Parties.

#### **Section 8. Notices**

All notices to be provided hereunder shall be in writing and given by personal service, mailing the same by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, and postage prepaid or a nationally recognized overnight carrier, addresses as follows:

If to the County:        Jim Dean, County Administrator  
                                 Jackson County Administration  
                                 2864 Madison Street  
                                 Marianna, FL 32448

If to the Town:         Mike Weeks, Council President  
                                 Town of Sneads  
                                 2028 Third Avenue  
                                 Sneads, FL 32460

#### **Section 9. Severability**

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision or clause hereof shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other clause or provision hereof.

#### **Section 10. Waiver and Delay**

No waiver or delay of any provision of this Agreement at any time will be deemed a waiver of any other provision of the Agreement at such time or will be deemed a waiver of such provision at any other time.

#### **Section 11. Assignment, Binding Agreement**

Neither Party shall assign this Agreement or any interest herein without the written consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. This agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

#### **Section 12. Governing Law and Venue**

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. Any dispute arising with respect to the Agreement is subject to the laws of Florida, with exclusive venue in Jackson County, Florida.

#### **Section 13. Execution, Term, and Termination**

The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date of final execution by both Parties and shall remain in effect until August 11, 2026, or sooner replaced by a substitute agreement or otherwise terminated in accordance with this paragraph. This agreement may be terminated with or without cause by either party to the Agreement by providing at least sixty (60) days prior written notice to the other party, provided that any ongoing disaster response operations shall be completed and all payment obligations shall survive such termination. The Agreement may also be terminated immediately upon mutual written consent of both parties.

#### **Section 14. Dispute Resolution**

As a condition precedent to a Party bringing any suit for breach of the Agreement, that Party must first notify the other party in writing of the nature of the purported breach and seek in good faith to resolve the dispute through negotiation. If the Parties cannot resolve the dispute through negotiation within 30



days of the initial notice, they may agree to a mutually acceptable method of non-binding alternative dispute resolution with a qualified third party acceptable to both Parties. Any costs associated with the alternative dispute resolution process shall be shared equally between the Parties. The existence of a dispute shall not excuse the Parties from performance pursuant to the Agreement. This remedy is supplemental to any other remedies available at law.

**Section 15. Force Majeure**

No Party shall be obligated to perform any duty, requirement or obligation under this Agreement if such performance is prevented by fire, hurricane, earthquake, explosion, wars, sabotage, accident, flood, acts of God, strikes, or other labor disputes, riot or civil commotions, or by reason of any other matter or condition beyond the control of any party, and which cannot be overcome by reasonable diligence and without unusual expense ("Force Majeure"). In no event shall a lack of funds on the part of any party be deemed force majeure.

**Section 16. Survival**

Provisions contained in this Agreement that, by their sense and context, are intended to survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement, shall so survive.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties hereto, by their duly authorized representatives, have executed this Agreement, effective the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025.

**JACKSON COUNTY**

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Hon. Jamey Westbrook, Chairman

ATTEST:

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CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT

**TOWN OF SNEADS**

Mike Weeks  
Mike Weeks, Council President

ATTEST:

Danielle Gray  
TOWN CLERK





## Town of Sneads

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Email: [Sneadsmgr@sneadsfl.com](mailto:Sneadsmgr@sneadsfl.com)

### July 25 Managers Notes

1. The road paving project is complete. Extreme Land Restoration will return to fix intersection of Church St. and Green Street and portion of Section Street next to area where equipment was stored.
2. The Town is applying for another grant through ARPC in Tallahassee to upgrade our total water system. This will include cleaning, painting and repairing any structural problems located on each tank. Also, it will include replacing the well head and motor on the second well and replacing the building structure. This project is for approximately \$650,000.00.
3. The new firetruck is scheduled to arrive in September, and I have submitted a request to Tallahassee for advance payment prior to its arrival.
4. Dodson Park is complete, and a ribbon cutting will be scheduled soon.
5. Old Towne Park is coming along. Lights and fencing are up, and concrete and asphalt poured. Pavillion has arrived and it is waiting to be installed along with sodding.
6. Requested an 8-month extension from FEMA on excess funding previously approved for purchase of a Dump truck. The deadline was June 30, 2025. This will give FDEM a chance to process and reimburse for projects pending now.
7. Lift station #2 rehab and force main project is progressing well. Pipe has been laid from Old Spanish Trail to Wastewater plant.
8. Waste Pro will be providing lunch this Thursday at noon for all Town employees and Council members. Everyone is encouraged to attend.
9. I spoke with the Corps of Engineers last month regarding the acquisition of the south side of Lake Seminole Park. They indicated rather than do a new lease he would combine the two sections into one lease—one total property. This will make things easier for future land use/development projects.
10. I will be attending the League of Cities annual meeting in Orlando on August 14-16.
11. Still working with FEMA on grant for ball field lights and generators for lift stations and wells. Not much progress on either project.
12. I will be on annual leave July 18<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.
13. Interlocal agreement signed with school board for SHS baseball and softball use of facilities at Adam Tucker Wilson Park.
14. New agreement signed DOT for maintenance on Hwy. 90.

**TOWN OF SNEADS**

**RESOLUTION # 25-06**

**WITNESSETH**

**WHEREAS**, as a part of the continual updating of the State of Florida Highway System, the Department of Transportation of the State of Florida, for the purpose of safety, protection of the investment and other reasons, has constructed and does maintain highway facilities, specifically State Road 10/ US 90, within the corporate limits of the Town of Sneads; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town is of the opinion that said highway facilities that contain roadside areas shall be attractively maintained by mowing, edging, and litter removal; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town and the Department of Transportation mutually recognize the need for an agreement providing for the maintenance of said highway facilities;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Sneads desires to enter into such agreement and has authorized its officers to do so.

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, by the Town Council of the Town of Sneads, Florida.

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**Honorable Mike Weeks, Council President**

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**ATTEST: Danielle Guy, City Clerk**

## **SNEADS POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY LOG JUNE 8th-JULY 7th 2025**

Good Afternoon Town Council, here is the monthly activity log for the TOWN OF SNEADS POLICE DEPARTMENT as of July 8th, 2025:

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- 300 BUSINESS CHECKS
- 150 EXTRA PATROL REQUESTS
- 30 TRAFFIC STOPS
- 2 EXPIRED TAGS 6 MONTHS OR MORE
- 1 STOLEN TAG
- 15 ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES
- 1 COMMERCIAL ALARM
- 2 COMMERCIAL BURGLARIES(JACKSON COUNTY SO HANDLED ONE)
- 6 DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES
- 3 STALKING HARRASSMENT COMPLAINTS
- 8 VERBAL DISTURBANCES
- 4 TRAFFIC OBSTRUCTIONS/HAZZARDS
- 3 TRESPASSING COMPLAINTS
- 3 THEFTS OF PROPERTY
- 2 ANIMAL COMPLAINTS
- 3 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS
- 1 DRIVING WHILE LICENSE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED
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- AS FOR THE PERIOD FROM JUNE TO JULY SNEADS POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS RESPONDED OR GENERATED A TOTAL OF **534 CALLS** FOR SERVICE

**Mekko Yvholv Fekese**  
Principal Chief / Chairman

**LaTausha White**  
Tribal Council



**Gabriel Wainscott**  
Tribal Secretary

**Valerie Johnson**  
Tribal Council

Official Tribal Document

## Proposal for a Tribal Powwow in Sneads Florida

### Introduction

We, the Ennvrvpv Town of Yvmvse Nation of Seminole Indians, propose hosting a tribal powwow in Sneads FL. This event would be a celebration of Indigenous culture, heritage, and community, open to all residents of Sneads and surrounding areas. Given the historical presence of Indigenous peoples in this region, this powwow offers a unique opportunity for cultural exchange, education, and reconciliation.

### Benefits of Indigenous Presence and a Tribal Powwow

- \* **Cultural Enrichment:** A powwow is a vibrant display of Indigenous traditions, including dance, music, regalia, and storytelling. It provides an opportunity for non-Indigenous people to learn about and appreciate the rich cultural heritage of the Yamassee Tribe and other Indigenous nations.
- \* **Educational Opportunities:** The powwow can serve as an educational platform, offering insights into Indigenous history, contemporary issues, and contributions to society. Educational booths, demonstrations, and presentations can be incorporated into the event.
- \* **Community Building:** A powwow fosters a sense of community and belonging, bringing together people from diverse backgrounds to celebrate shared values and build relationships. It can help bridge cultural divides and promote understanding between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.
- \* **Economic Impact:** The powwow is expected to attract visitors from across the region, boosting the local economy through increased tourism, hotel occupancy, restaurant patronage, and retail sales. Vendors selling Indigenous crafts, art, and food will also contribute to the economic vitality of the event.
- \* **Reconciliation and Healing:** Hosting a powwow acknowledges the historical presence and contributions of Indigenous peoples in the region. It provides an opportunity for reconciliation and healing, addressing past injustices and promoting a more equitable and inclusive future.

### Potential Community Gains

- \* **Increased Cultural Awareness:** The powwow will raise awareness of Indigenous cultures and histories, fostering a greater appreciation for diversity and inclusivity within the community.