

Minutes of the  
New Market Town Council  
Special Called Meeting  
Thursday, February 26, 2026  
8:30 a.m.

The New Market Town Council met in the Council Chambers of the Arthur L. Hildreth, Jr., Municipal Building on Thursday, February 26, 2026, with the following members present: Mayor Peter Hughes, Peggy Harkness, Janice Hannah, Scott Wymer, Jon Henry and Bob King. Council member Daryl Watkins was absent.

Mayor Hughes opened the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Mayor Hughes stated the council was meeting for a closed session in order to discuss the hiring or appointment of specific public officers, appointees, or employees, as authorized by section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the state code. The subject matter is the appointment of a specific public official, the Fire Chief of New Market Fire Department. Mayor Hughes asked for a motion to move into said closed session. Mr. Wymer stated so moved. Mrs. Hannah seconded the motion and with no further discussion the motion passed on the following 5-0 roll call vote:

Mrs. Harkness	Aye	Mr. Henry	Aye
Mr. King	Aye	Mrs. Hannah	Aye
Mr. Watkins	Absent	Mr. Wymer	Aye

Closed session commenced at 8:31 a.m.

Mrs. Hannah made a motion to return from Closed Session and read aloud the following Certification Resolution: With respect to the just-concluded Closed Session and to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under The Virginia Freedom of Information Act and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Town Council. Mr. King seconded the motion which passed on the following 5-0 roll call vote:

Mrs. Harkness	Aye	Mr. Watkins	Aye
Mr. King	Aye	Mrs. Hannah	Aye
		Mr. Wymer	Aye

Closed session ended at 9:34 a.m.

Mr. Wymer moved to adjourn the meeting, and Mrs. Hannah seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed with a unanimous voice vote of 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

  
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Mayor Peter Hughes

  
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N. Garrison, Town Clerk