Town of Felton Town Council Meeting August 11, 2025 6:30 pm

Mayor Kelley called the Town Council Meeting of Felton to order at 6:30 pm on Monday, August 11, 2025. Present at the meeting were:

<u>Council Members</u>: Mayor David Kelley, Vice- Mayor Joanne Clendaniel, Marquise Broom, Diana Dolan-Beulah, and Bill Brittingham.

Staff: Lt. Darling, Town Manager, Amy Thomas and Town Clerk, Tracey Thompson.

<u>**Public:**</u> Resident Cliff Moore, Mark Wagner from Think Big Company, Lake Forest Community Education Foundation - Anisa Monforte, Megan Bever and Mary Voshell, Jessica and Niko Lugoro.

Presentation by Mark Wagner- Think Big Networks:

- Mr. Wagner stated his company is doing a big project in Delaware to provide fiber optics to residents.
- He wants to work with the town to get the right away access in Town of Felton.
- Think Big Networks is a fiber optic internet company based out of Maryland since 2018.
- They provide only internet through fast speed fiber optics.
- At the moment they are only in a few states, trying to work on getting more areas in Delaware.
- They strive to give low costs without contracts.
- Think Big Networks service is comparable to Verizon FiOS.

Public Comments:

Mr. Moore expressed his concerns about the homeless person staying at the Odd Fellows
Park. He has seen him there as early as 3am some days. He asked if the Town can put a
dusk till dawn sign at the park. Mayor asked Amy what is the town curfew which she
responded 11pm. Lt. Darling explained the State of Delaware law about loitering, and that
the park is considered an open to the public area.

Lake Forest Community Education Foundation- Gobble Wobble Request:

- Mary introduced her two new members to the LFCEF, Anisa and Megan.
- LFCEF asked permission from the town to host the annual Gobble Wobble in the Town of Felton again.
- They had 21 teams register last year.
- They gave away \$9,000 in grant funding that they profited from the event.
- LFCEF asked for sponsorship again from the Town.

• The 5K race will be on Sunday, November 23rd.

Motion: Councilmember Brittingham made a motion to allow the LFCEF to host the Gobbel Wobble in the town limits and to do the gold sponsorship again. Councilmember Broom seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Police Report:

Lt. Darling presented the July 2025 police report.

- 18.5 hours dedicated patrol hours in Hidden Pond, to prevent dirt bikes, and 4 wheelers from riding illegally.
- No leads on hiring a certified officer.
- Desperate need for in– car camera systems. At the moment they have only one that is going to go into the new police truck they were able to obtain with grants.
- Their current tasers are the oldest version and they are fazing them out in 2026. Due to Viola PD disbanding they will reach out to see if they can transfer the tasers to Felton PD.
- PAC meeting August 18th.
- Still waiting for equipment for new police truck.
- 219 Calls of service for the month of July
- 1758 Calls of service for the year.

Motion: Councilmember Broom made a motion to approve the July 2025 Police Report. Councilmember Dolan-Beulah seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Felton Fire Company Report:

• 29 alarms for the month.

Budget Report:

Amy presented the July 2025 Budget Report.

- Received a lot of tax payments.
- Received all funding from Bond Bill.
- HVAC system upstairs of Town Hall has been replaced.
- Josh has ordered all new meters for new reading system. All meters will be radio reads now
- New Public Works employee tentatively starts Monday, August 18th.

Motion: Councilmember Brittingham made a motion to accept the July 2025 Budget Report. Councilmember Broom seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Minutes:

Mayor Kelley presented the July 14, 2025 Town Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Councilmember Broom made a motion to accept the July 14, 2025 Town Council Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Dolan- Beulah seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

End of Summer Bash:

- Wednesday, August 20th 6pm-8pm.
- 1CW Wrestling to perform, Milford PD K9 demonstration, and Sounding Trumpet to perform.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

Motion: Councilmember Broom made a motion to adjourn the meeting.	Vice- Mayor Clendanie
seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.	

These minutes were prepared by Trace	ey Thompson, Town Clerk.
Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk	Date