

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 6, 2026**

THE FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL held a regular meeting on Monday, July 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room located at 95 East Main Street Franklin, NC.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stacy Guffey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present – Vice Mayor Mike Lewis and Council Members: Joe Collins, Travis Higdon, Rita Salain, Robbie Tompa, and Jeff Berry.

Mayor Guffey opened with remarks expressing gratitude to the Macon County Farmers Market for providing food for the evening, and to Town staff and volunteers for organizing a successful Fourth of July celebration on the square in recognition of the country's 250th anniversary. Mayor Guffey also reflected on the meaning of patriotism as it relates to civic engagement, noting that the meeting had the highest attendance of any town council meeting in his experience, and that he appreciated the community's presence and investment in the proceedings.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Mike Lewis.

3. ADOPTION OF THE JULY 6, 2026 TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA

Vice Mayor Mike Lewis made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rita Salain to approve the Town Council Agenda for July 6, 2026 as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR JULY 6, 2026

A.) Approval of the Minutes

1. May 29, 2026 Special Called Meeting Minutes
2. June 1, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

B.) Budget Amendment

Council Member Rita Salain made a motion, seconded by Council Member Travis Higdon to approve the consent agenda for July 6, 2026 meeting, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

5. RECOGNITION

A.) Angela Green, Code Enforcement Officer, Certified Zoning Official – presented by Fire Chief/Town Planner Justin Setser and Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director Sarah Bishop

6. PRESENTATION

A.) Art Fest and Plein Aire Festival – Macon County Art Association at the Franklin Uptown Gallery
Paul Pieringer, President of the Macon County Art Association (commonly known as the Uptown Gallery), presented an overview of the organization's community programs and upcoming

events. He highlighted several ongoing initiatives, including an early childhood art program in partnership with Macon Program for Progress serving children ages one through five, and a quarterly art program for senior citizens at Grandview Manor, Franklin House, and the Macon County Senior Center. He reported that community response to these programs has been overwhelmingly positive.

Mr. Pieringer described Art Fest, August 8th on Main Street, as family-focused, featuring approximately 28 interactive art projects. He noted the event is designed to bring families through Main Street businesses, using a scavenger hunt-style activity with small "robot" figures placed in participating stores. The Plein Air Festival is scheduled for October 22nd through 24th, framed just after the Pumpkinfest weekend with the goal of encouraging visitors to extend their stay. Mr. Pieringer explained that plein air painting, a competitive, outdoor art form, would invite up to 35 artists this year to paint throughout the town and county, with work to be judged, awarded, and sold over the course of the festival. He also briefly highlighted the association's ongoing Veterans Portrait program, whose annual Veterans Day reception he described as a deeply emotional and meaningful community event.

7. PUBLIC SESSION

Mark Albrecht addressed the Council regarding traffic safety concerns at the Berry Boulevard entrance near Walmart and Captain D's, where he had witnessed near-collisions due to an absence of clear lane markings. He reported that the road is privately owned and falls outside NCDOT jurisdiction, and that he was directed to the Town by DOT. He requested that the Town use its authority to compel the responsible private entities (Franklin Commerce LLC and Walmart Real Estate LLC) to make the necessary improvements.

Daniel Lawton addressed the Council in support of his application to serve on the Franklin Tourism Development Authority. He noted his prior civic work in helping establish the Town's skate park. He expressed his desire to expand heritage and cultural tourism in Franklin, citing the Tartan Museum, the Scottish Festival (for which he recently became Vice President of Taste of Scotland), and examples like Cherokee and Helen, Georgia, as models for leveraging Celtic and Scottish cultural identity to boost tourism. He indicated he had additional ideas to share if appointed.

8. ITEMS FROM COUNCIL

A) Resolution of the Town Council for the Town of Franklin to Appoint the Town Tax Collector – Mayor Stacy Guffey

Mayor Guffey read the resolution reappointing Sabrina Scruggs as Town Tax Collector for a one-year term expiring July 6, 2027, with a bond of not less than \$25,000, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 105-349.

Council Member Joe Collins made a motion, seconded by Council Member Travis Higdon to adopt the Resolution for the Town of Franklin to appoint Sabrina Scruggs as the Town Tax Collector, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

- B.) Resolution of the Town of Franklin Establishing Required Attendance Policy for Appointed Boards, Authorities, Commissions and Committees- Mayor Stacy Guffey

Mayor Guffey introduced this Resolution, which he requested be placed on the agenda. He noted the importance of ensuring that board members, particularly those receiving a stipend from public funds, meet a minimum attendance standard. He noted that the resolution is effective immediately and applies to all current and future appointees.

Council Member Robbie Tompa made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rita Salain to adopt the Resolution Establishing Required Attendance Policy for Town Appointed Boards, Authorities, Commissions and Committees, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

- C.) Appointment of Councilman Jeff Berry as Co-Liaison to the Franklin ABC Board – Mayor Stacy Guffey

Mayor Guffey explained that Councilman Jeff Berry had been serving as an alternate liaison to the Franklin ABC Board, causing some confusion at the board level regarding his role. To resolve this ambiguity, Mayor Guffey formalized his appointment as a full Co-Liaison alongside Council Member Joe Collins.

9. CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING

- A.) Call for Public Hearing on Monday, August 3, 2026 at 6:05 p.m. or as closely thereafter to gain public input on Rezoning of 1.10 Acres at 85 Maple Street from Commercial C-2 to Commercial C-2 Conditional Zoning – Fire Chief/Town Planner Justin Setser

Fire Chief/Town Planner Justin Setser presented the request for a call for public hearing. He noted that the applicant, OHNC LLC, is requesting a conditional rezoning of 1.10 acres at 85 Maple Street to allow construction of two townhomes, a reduction in minimum lot size, and modified setback requirements. The Planning Board reviewed and recommended the conditional rezoning at its June meeting. Conditions include granting the Town of Franklin a future sidewalk easement along the Maple Street frontage.

Mayor Guffey expressed personal support for the conditional rezoning, noting that the area is appropriate for increased density and is located across the street from a grocery store, making it a walkable location once sidewalk improvements are completed.

Council Member Joe Collins made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Mike Lewis to Call for a Public Hearing on Monday, August 3, 2026 at 6:05 p.m. or as closely thereafter to gain public input on Rezoning of 1.10 Acres at 85 Maple Street from Commercial C-2 to Commercial C-2 Conditional Zoning, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A.) Public Hearing on Monday, July 6, 2026 at 6:05 p.m. or as closely thereafter to gain public input related to an Ordinance Establishing a Temporary Moratorium on New Data Center Development within the Town of Franklin's Planning Jurisdiction – Town Attorney John Henning, Jr.

Mayor Guffey opened with a statement on behalf of the full Council that no member of the board supports data center development within the Town of Franklin. He then invited Town Attorney John Henning, Jr. to explain the legal context for the moratorium before opening the floor to public comment.

Town Attorney John Henning, Jr. explained that North Carolina case law prevents a municipality from simply disallowing any use not specifically listed in the zoning ordinance. Without a clear definition of "data center" in the zoning code, the town would be in a legally precarious position if an application were submitted. The moratorium provides a legally defensible window of time to study the issue, develop definitions, and craft regulations that protect residents from impacts such as excessive noise, water consumption, energy drain, and industrial generator pollution. He emphasized that the town currently has no pending application for a data center and that the goal is to use this period to enact enforceable regulations making such development extremely difficult or financially prohibitive.

Council Member Collins clarified for the audience that the law does not permit an outright ban, but that the Council is committed to using every available legal mechanism to prevent or heavily restrict data center development within the Town and its ETJ. Vice Mayor Lewis and other Council members echoed this, emphasizing that a data center does not align with the Town's priorities of family, recreation, jobs, and tourism. Council Member Rita Salain and Council Member Travis Higdon both pledged personal commitment to opposing data center development. Mayor Guffey also addressed criticism directed at Town Manager Amie Owens on social media, clarifying that her public statements about parcels large enough to accommodate a data center were made in her capacity as a staff advisor warning the Council; not as an endorsement of such development.

Mayor Guffey and several Council members urged citizens to also bring their concerns to the Macon County Commissioners and to state legislators, noting that the town's legal authority extends only to the town limits and the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ), approximately three miles outside town boundaries.

Mayor Stacy Guffey opened the Public Hearing at 6:43 p.m.

Judy Hartley thanked the board and attorney for their explanations. She raised concerns about existing infrastructure needs in town, such as the Kmart Plaza and the former Ingles building, and argued that the community needs industries that provide stable employment for young people. She voiced strong concern about the environmental impacts of data centers, water consumption, noise, light pollution, and toxic waste, and noted that other communities have faced drought and groundwater contamination after permitting such facilities. She indicated she would bring her concerns to the county commissioners.

Rob James, a former tech industry worker, expressed strong support for the moratorium. He argued that tech industry leaders are replicating the extractive patterns of past industries; draining water supplies, disrupting communities, and delivering minimal lasting employment. He cited reports of

wells and creeks running dry near data centers, noise and light pollution affecting residents' miles away, and the marginal job creation relative to the environmental impact. He also questioned the long-term financial viability of AI-driven data centers, noting that AI companies are largely not profitable and that the entire sector is propped up with borrowed capital, suggesting that any data center built in Franklin could be abandoned within a few years.

Matt Jackson, a local realtor, urged the Council to use the moratorium year not to study cost-benefit tradeoffs but to tighten development ordinances so that Franklin and its ETJ are never a viable location for large or small high-impact data centers. He noted that buyers do not seek proximity to data centers and that such facilities are a deterrent to real estate investment. He also encouraged the audience to attend the upcoming county commissioner meeting.

Michael Scarborough, a 40-year IT industry veteran, offered perspective on Moore's Law, noting that data center infrastructure has at best a ten-year useful life, potentially leaving the town with an abandoned industrial site. He argued that touted tax benefits rarely reach local communities, that data centers employ very few people locally, and that the town would benefit more from other types of economic development such as a distribution center.

Natalia McElroy thanked the Board for its proactive approach and encouraged the Town to learn from other communities, including Charlotte, Asheville, Holly Springs, and Chatham County, that have pursued moratoriums or restrictions. She urged collaboration with those communities to identify the most effective legal tools available under state law, and advocated for citizens to become more active with county officials and state representatives.

Michelle Montegut, a resident outside the Franklin town limits, asked the attorney whether a five-year moratorium would be legally possible. Attorney Henning responded that extensions are possible as long as the Town can demonstrate active study and progress toward permanent regulations. Ms. Montegut asked about the cost of the moratorium research, and expressed concern about the impact of data centers on farm animals and rural residents. Attorney Henning noted that research costs would be shared across communities working on the issue collaboratively.

David Medlock, a long-tenured IT professional, expressed appreciation for the transparency of the process but cautioned against optimism about data centers becoming economically unviable; in his view, once a data center is established, it is permanent and very difficult to remove. He strongly encouraged ongoing public updates as the moratorium process unfolds and urged attendees to email county commissioners and state representatives, specifically noting that Representatives Gillespie and Corbin have indicated that these decisions should remain at the local level.

Terri Pensabene expressed relief at the Council's opposition to data centers and skepticism that any data center operator would honestly represent the true impact of their facility on a community. She encouraged thorough research during the moratorium year.

Theresa Salisbury spoke emotionally about her desire to preserve Franklin's natural environment for her children and grandchildren, who enjoy hiking throughout the area.

John MacLean, a local commercial photographer, identified himself as a low-impact AI technology user and argued that data centers represent an environmental disaster for natural landscapes. He cited air, water, and noise pollution as primary concerns and referenced a PBS Terra YouTube documentary on the topic, urging the community to resist data center expansion at all costs.

Nathan Pannell expressed pride in the Council's unified stance and, drawing on Appalachian working-class identity, argued that organized community political action, including withholding votes from candidates who support data center expansion, is the most effective tool available. He described AI as an economic threat to the working class more broadly.

Timothy McGee expressed opposition to data centers throughout North Carolina, noting ongoing drought conditions in the state and citing concerns about increased electricity rates, potentially linked to data center power demands. He questioned the long-term value of technology upgrades being pushed on consumers and thanked the Council for its support of the moratorium.

Leland Shockley addressed the social media posts concerning Town Manager Owens, stating that while he appreciated her providing facts to the media, he objected to the framing that available land could "accommodate" data centers, as the word implies receptiveness. He raised specific concerns about drought conditions in Macon County, the risk of data center wastewater contamination in the event of a hurricane, the impact of diesel generators on air temperature and local fog conditions, and the inadequacy of financial deterrents given the enormous resources of data center operators. He also suggested exploring whether town-adjacent tribal lands, where the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has prohibited data centers, could serve as a buffer, and called for the Council to think creatively beyond financial disincentives.

Ellie Morrow presented quantitative research on water and electricity consumption. She noted that Macon County's 39,000 residents consume approximately 60,000 million gallons of water annually, while a single data center uses approximately 16.6 million gallons per year. She further noted that North Carolina's total power plant generation capacity is approximately 135,000 gigawatts per year, and that the state was already consuming approximately 103,000 gigawatts as of 2023, leaving a surplus of only 32,000 gigawatts; against which 93 existing data centers each draw approximately 492 gigawatts. She offered to provide her documentation to the Council and urged decision-makers to ground their deliberations in these figures.

Blaine Haaa raised concerns about the local economic benefit of data center construction, noting that large build-outs are typically awarded to national contractors with pre-existing relationships, bypassing local electricians, HVAC companies, and other tradespeople. He also highlighted that Meta has recently disclosed it has excess computing capacity and is pre-building data centers speculatively, suggesting that any facility built locally could be left without a tenant. He expressed concern that the community lacks the contractor base to manage such a project and that money generated would not recirculate locally.

Betsy Baste expressed gratitude for the Council raising the issue and encouraged community members to consciously reduce their personal reliance on AI tools as a form of individual resistance.

Mayor Guffey closed the public hearing by thanking attendees and observing that the room contained Democrats, Republicans, and Independents united by a common commitment to their community.

Mayor Stacy Guffey closed the Public Hearing at 7:32 p.m.

Vice Mayor Mike Lewis motion, seconded by Council Member Travis Higdon to approve the Ordinance Establishing a Temporary Moratorium on New Data Center Development within the Town of Franklin's Planning Jurisdiction, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0.

The Council took a brief recess and returned to session at 7:43 p.m.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A.) Request Approval of Memorandum of Understanding and Funding Request between Main Street Franklin, Inc. and the Town of Franklin – Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director Sarah Bishop

Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director Sarah Bishop presented the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and funding request from Main Street Franklin, Inc., a newly formed nonprofit organization tasked with stewarding the Town's reentry into the North Carolina Main Street Program. The MOU outlines key initiatives focused on downtown revitalization and economic development, with a primary near-term objective of formally rejoining the Main Street program to access grant funding and networking opportunities. The board of the nonprofit has met, approved an annual budget, and developed a work plan. The funding request is for \$60,000 that was allocated in the current fiscal year budget for this program.

Council Member Salain asked when the annual work plan and budget would be due; Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director Bishop confirmed these documents have already been completed and that annual reporting will continue on that basis.

Vice Mayor Mike Lewis made a motion, seconded by Council Member Jeff Berry to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Main Street Franklin, Inc. and the Town of Franklin, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

Council Member Rita Salain made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Mike Lewis to approve the Funding Request of \$60,000 to Main Street Franklin, Inc., as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

B.) Request Approval of Economic Development Incentive Grants for Franklin Machine Company – Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director Sarah Bishop

Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director Sarah Bishop presented an application for an economic development incentive grant from the new owner of Franklin Machine Company on Depot Street. The project involves exterior painting and new signage intended to significantly

improve the building's appearance. Code Enforcement Officer Angela Green assisted with coordinating the sign permit process prior to the application coming before Council. The proposed investment qualifies for the full \$5,000 painting match and a \$500 sign match, for a total grant request of \$5,500.

Vice Mayor Lewis expressed enthusiasm for the program and hoped the budget allocation for it would be doubled in the next cycle. Council Member Salain inquired how the owner learned about the grant program; Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director Bishop indicated she would follow up to find out.

Vice Mayor Mike Lewis made a motion, seconded by Council Member Robbie Tompa to approve the Economic Development Incentive Grants for Franklin Machine Company, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

C.) Request Approval of Renewal of Debt Book for GASB recording/reporting five (5) year contract - Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director Sarah Bishop

Assistant Manager Bishop presented a request to renew the town's five-year contract with Debt Book, a third-party vendor used for GASB (Governmental Accounting Standards Board) reporting. The town has used the platform for approximately three years, and it has streamlined audit processes and improved compliance with GASB regulations.

Council Member Joe Collins made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Mike Lewis to approve the five (5) year contract renewal of Debt Book for GASB recording/reporting, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

D.) Request Waiver of Availability Fee and Ongoing Usage Fees for Southwestern Community College Burn Building Project – Town Manager Amie Owens

Town Manager Amie Owens introduced the item, then turned the presentation over to Dr. Don Tomas, President of Southwestern Community College, and Curtis Dowdle, Dean of Public Safety Training.

Dr. Tomas explained that the college has had a partnership with the Town of Franklin for more than 40 years, during which time the town has provided access to two fire hydrants at the existing burn building facility at no cost. The existing burn building — located in a floodplain and approximately 40 years old — has surpassed its useful life and has been condemned for live burns. The college is now constructing a new fire rescue training burn prop at a site near the former National Guard armory, with a target completion date by the end of 2026. Macon County has contributed more than \$2 million toward the project, including bond funds from 2016.

The college is requesting two waivers from the Town: (1) waiver of the water availability fee of \$49,700 for the new connection, and (2) continuation of the existing arrangement of not metering or charging for hydrant water usage during training exercises.

Mr. Dowdle elaborated on the scope of the facility's service area, which includes fire departments across Macon, Jackson, and Swain Counties and the Qualla Boundary, serving approximately 345 firefighters. He explained that the new burn prop will incorporate LP gas and

digital technology that reduces water consumption compared to the current class-A-only facility. He also noted that training at the facility benefits surrounding counties' ISO ratings, which directly reduces homeowners' insurance premiums across the region.

Council members questioned whether the hydrants are currently metered (they are not), how often they are used (varying by season, primarily in four-hour training blocks), and whether other counties benefiting from the facility have been asked to help offset costs (they have not). Vice Mayor Lewis asked whether the new facility's fire suppression system would require water; Mr. Dowdle confirmed it has an emergency sprinkler and gas shutoff system.

Council Member Collins expressed comfort with waiving the availability fee but indicated he was not prepared to continue waiving usage fees indefinitely without further discussion, suggesting that Macon County should be approached to help cover ongoing water costs. Vice Mayor Lewis concurred, acknowledging that the Town's ratepayers fund the water system and that he had been unaware the usage had never been charged.

Council Member Rita Salain made a motion, seconded by Council Member Travis Higdon to waive the \$49,700 water availability fee for the Southwestern Community College Burn Building Project, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

The question of waiving ongoing hydrant usage fees was tabled pending a meeting between the Mayor, Town Manager, and Macon County Manager to explore whether the county can assist in covering that cost. Dr. Tomas and Mr. Dowdle indicated this timeline would not delay the construction project, as the contractor has not yet been able to tap the lines pending the availability fee resolution.

E.) Request additional extension of payment for demolition of non-compliant structure – Town Manager Amie Owens and own Attorney John Henning, Jr.

Town Manager Amie Owens and Town Attorney John Henning, Jr. presented the matter. The property at 981 East Main Street was found out of compliance as far back as 2023 and was demolished following a public process. The property owners entered into a lien forbearance agreement in April 2024, agreeing to repay the \$16,000 demolition cost within 12 months. In June 2025, they returned to Council requesting a 12-month extension at 8% interest. That extension expired June 2, 2026, without payment. The owners have now returned requesting an additional extension, proposing to pay the 8% accrued interest plus \$6,000, with the remaining \$10,000 balance extended another 12 months. To date, no payment has been made.

Council members acknowledged the practical reality that the town is unlikely to receive full repayment until the property is sold, and that aggressive legal action would cost more than it would recover in the short term. Attorney Henning noted that foreclosure remains a legal option. The Council discussed adjusting the interest rate on the remaining balance going forward.

Council Member Joe Collins made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rita Salain to accept the property owners' offer of a \$6,000 payment plus accrued 8% interest through June 2, 2026, with the remaining \$10,000 balance extended for an additional twelve (12) months at a revised interest rate of 10%. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

F.) Request appointment of member to the Franklin Fire Fighters Relief Fund Board – Fire Chief Justin Sester

Fire Chief/Town Planner Justin Setser reported that one of the Town of Franklin's two appointed representatives on the five-member Franklin Firefighters Relief Fund Board had moved out of state and was no longer able to serve. The fire department solicited nominations from within its membership, and Assistant Chief Ryan Hersey expressed interest in filling the vacant seat.

Vice Mayor Mike Lewis made a motion, seconded by Council Member Travis Higdon to appoint Assistant Chief Ryan Hursey to the Franklin Firefighters Relief Fund Board, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

G.) Request appointment of member to the Franklin Tourism Development Authority (three vacancies) and the Franklin ABC Board (one vacancy) – Town Council

Town Manager Amie Owens explained that appointments to these boards are made by signed, individual paper ballots that remain as public records. The three TDA vacancies are three-year seats through June 30, 2029. The one ABC Board vacancy is a three-year seat through May 5, 2029 with the incumbent continuing to serve until a replacement is seated.

Town Clerk Nicole Bradley reported the following results:

ABC Board: Alton Sutton, Jr. was reappointed by a 6-0 vote.

TDA: Rob Real and Daniel Lawton were appointed in the initial ballot vote.

Jeff Berry: Connie Grubermann, Steve Crabtree, Robert Reale

Joe Collins: Robert Reale, Steve Crabtree, Bob Scott

Travis Higdon: Connie Grubermann, Steve Crabtree, Robert Reale

Mike Lewis: Daniel Lawton, Bob Scott, Robert Reale

Rita Salain: Abigail James, Daniel Lawton, Robert Reale

Robbie Tompa: Abigail James, Daniel Lawton, Robert Reale

A four-way tie among Bob Scott, Connie Lee Miller-Grubermann, Abigail James, and Steve Crabtree necessitated a runoff ballot, after which **Steve Crabtree** was appointed by a 4-2 vote.

Jeff Berry: Steve Crabtree

Joe Collins: Steve Crabtree

Travis Higdon: Steve Crabtree

Mike Lewis: Bob Scott

Rita Salain: Bob Scott

Robbie Tompa: Steve Crabtree

12. DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES

No updates were given at this meeting.

Council Member Joe Collins made a motion, seconded by Council Member Robbie Tompa to remove item 12 from the agenda due to the late hour, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6 – 0.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A.) Next Town Council Meeting is Monday, August 3, 2026
- B.) Special Called Meeting – Joint Meeting with ABC Board – Tuesday, July 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the Town Hall Board Room – notice will be posted
- C.) Pickin’ on the Square- July 11, 2026 and July 25, 2026 – 6:00 p.m. on the Gazebo Square

14. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Joe Collins made a motion, seconded by Council Member Travis Higdon to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. The motion carried unanimously. Vote: 6-0.

Stacy J. Guffey, Mayor

Nicole Bradley, Town Clerk