



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, February 18, 2026 at 6:00 PM
Fulton Council Chambers, 201 N. 7th Street

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

Mayor Kelli Cole
Mayor Pro Tem Robert Loflin
Place 2 Chris Garis Place
Place 3 MaryAnn Pahmiyer
Place 5 Laura McCorkle

STAFF PRESENT

Hal George, Town Attorney
Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary
Ty Gerstenberger, Chief

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – U.S. Flag and Texas Flag

Mayor Cole led everyone in the pledges.

OBSERVE A MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAAYER

Mayor Cole led everyone in a moment of silence.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (PUBLIC FORUM)

Public participation is valued and at this time, comments limited to three (3) minutes will be taken from persons who have signed the Speaker's Card located on the table inside the Council Chambers and delivered to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Written comments received by submission to the City Secretary in person or emailed to citysec@fultontexas.org by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, on any subject matter that is not on the agenda, will be read and summarized in the minutes of the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Council and who have registered using the Speaker's Card will have up to three (3) minutes to speak. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda. While civil public criticism is not prohibited; disorderly conduct or disturbance of the peace as prohibited by law shall be cause for the chair to terminate the offender's time to speak.

No one came forward.

CONSENT AGENDA

All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

1. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 21, 2026.
2. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** 2025 December financials.

Motion made by Place 5 McCorkle, Seconded by Place 2 Garis to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 5 McCorkle

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

3. Receive a report submitted by Fulton Volunteer Fire Department for the expenditures and activity for the HOT funds for the Fulton Oysterfest.

Mayor Cole read the item and asked Cody Morales to give an update. Chief Morales reviewed the information provided to the Council. Chief Morales also mentioned that the Masonic Lodge will be providing fried oysters for Oysterfest.

4. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Subscriber Agreement for TRADS Services between TransUnion and Fulton Police Department.

Mayor Cole read the item and asked Chief Gerstenberger to give an overview of the program. He stated that the police department sampled a free trial and it determined this is a good investigative tool. It will help with efficiency of traffic stops and locating individuals.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Seconded by Place 2 Garis to approve the Subscriber Agreement for TRADS Services between TransUnion and Fulton Police Department.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 5 McCorkle

CLOSED SESSION

The Town Council may elect to go into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551, Government Code on any Agenda item where appropriate and particularly Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney) and 551.074 (personnel matters), Government Code.

Council did not convene into Closed Session.

OPEN SESSION

Discuss/Approve/Disapprove any and all action necessary with regard to the preceding matter(s).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. Mayor's Update.

Mayor Cole shared with the Council that no one signed up to run against the incumbents and only one person signed up for the unexpired term of Margo Nielson; therefore, the Town will need to hold an election. She also mentioned that the Oysterfest tents will be delivered and construction will begin next week. During Oysterfest the Town's maintenance team will be performing maintenance on pier.

Chief Gerstenberger noted that they are close to having new technology in vehicles. Chief also informed the Council that he will oversee the security for Oysterfest.

6. The next Regular Fulton Town Council Meeting will be held Wednesday, March 4, 2026, beginning at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Cole announced the date and time of the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Cole entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion made by Place 2 Garis, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Loflin to adjourn the meeting.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 5 McCorkle

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Kelli Cole, Mayor

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary