



**TOWN OF ROBBINS**  
**Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 11, 2024 – 6:00 PM**  
**Robbins Fire Department**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**@6:00 by Mayor Cameron Dockery**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor**

**III. INVOCATION – by Pastor Kenneth McNeill of First Baptist Church of Robbins**

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD NC G.S. 160A-81, 160A-81.1**

Charlie Smoak - stated went down to the magistrate's office and spoke with the head Magistrate and she stated that Robbins has been the most active in the county. And that's saying something about that department.

**V. CONFLICT OF INTEREST – Does any Commissioner have a conflict of interest concerning agenda items the Board will address in this meeting?**

*none*

**VI. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

*All items below are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will be held except on request of a member of the Board of Commissioners.*

**A. Minutes of December Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting**

Motion made by Commissioner Stewart.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw, Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Britt, Commissioner English

**B. Letter of Support of Kennedy Rifle**

**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**A. Annexation of Parcel ID 00013426 W.H. Brown Family Farms LLC into Corporate Limits**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Britt, Commissioner Stewart, Commissioner English

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Ordinance to Approve Annexation of WH Browns Parcel ID 00013426  
Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw.  
Voting Yea: Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Britt, Commissioner Stewart,  
Commissioner English
- B. Resolution adopting Town of Robbins Water Shortage Response Plan  
Motion made by Commissioner Stewart.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw, Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Britt,  
Commissioner English
- C. Discussion of Outstanding Civil Penalties -moved to closed session attorney-client  
privilege. G.S.143-318.1 (3)  
Addition of New Business
- D. Speed Bumps on Oak Street- Commissioner Britt feels it's unsafe.  
Kids are the biggest concern.  
Motion made by Commissioner Britt.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw, Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Stewart,  
Commissioner English

## **X. MANAGER'S REPORT**

- A. December 2023 Manager Report  
Updates to the Report  
Management Costs will be disbursed from FEMA. This will be unrestricted money. The annual task force update and Moore County have narrowed their plan to a hybrid plan near Deep River and roll the dice with the interbasin transfer certificate. Shifting the focus, they agree that the County wants to be water-independent. Spoke with the Commissioners after and they stated their focus has shifted and they want 6 million gallons. The debt service will increase rates by 25% per year for all county customers by year 8 it will be doubled. When we had our water troubles our citizens already incurred the debt to solve that problem so literally doubling the rates worries me. Mayor Dockery stated we already have the highest rates in the county. The manager stated well that won't be for long. The analysis is County is not going with the cheapest option. We are on track now to make \$100,000 and on track it would take a county minimum 72 months, if we made a deal, we would lose all that revenue. It's been a long 18 months talking back and forth, it is not my recommendation, but based off that meeting, I believe it's just not the right time. Dockery spoke to that: Talked with Commissioner Picerno and he shared County wants to be independent and if a deal is made with Robbins, they want to own the resource, they want to own the treatment plant and they also want to own the reservoir. Quote from Picerno: "We buy the asset you relinquish

all the control." Commissioners expressed an upset reaction and disappointment with the news. Dockery expressed we just need to explore other options.

Our biggest concern is the emergency interconnect. The focus needs to also be on smart growth.

A quick example of RPD findings. These subjects were passing through and they were key arrests. RPD Chief Haddock said that the methamphetamine shown in pic is 58 grams which would supply one drug person 3 months and it was laced with fentanyl. Let officers know if you see something shady, it's a team effort and includes citizens taking responsibility for our town. We don't want drugs here.

Fire did an incredible job during the storm, excited to see RPD, Public Works, and Fire working together.

Public Works saved taxpayers \$10,000 by using their expertise to fix a key water problem.

Kevin questioned the audit progress. The manager stated we did talk with the CPA, and we are waiting on Huneycutt to provide past info to the new CPA.

The Budget Timeline will come out at the next meeting.

Kevin questions the 1998 loan due to be paid off in 2026 if we can pay this off. That will help with our borrowing power. The manager says our debt-to-income ratio is low.

## **XI. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS**

Stewart: Thanks to the Town workers, police, and fire department for your help during the storm.

Bradshaw: Also I appreciate all they did during the storm. But I also want to say all they did during Christmas, we came to town and Police officers were still busy working and stopping cars, just want to say how much we appreciate you all.

English: n/a

Dockery: I would like to have a conversation between now and the next meeting of the possibility of raising the Board of Commissioners' salary. It's where it's been for the last possibly 15 years. I would just like to start that conversation as we go into the budget season.

Britt: n/a

Phillips: n/a

## **XII. CLOSED SESSION *(if needed)***

A. As permitted by NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (3)

Go into closed session.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw, Seconded by Commissioner Stewart.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Britt, Commissioner Stewart, Commissioner English

### **XIII. COMMISSIONER'S UPCOMING MEETING/EVENTS**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Britt, Commissioner Stewart,  
Commissioner English

- A. Holiday-Closed January 15, 2024, Martin Luther King Day  
Next Board Meeting February 08, 2024, 6:00 pm  
Budget Kickoff February 22, 2024, 6:00 pm

Adjourn at 7:07 pm, Motion made Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Britt, Commissioner Stewart, Commissioner English

Aye 5

Nay 0

This is the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

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Cameron Dockery, Mayor

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Jessica Coltrane, Town Clerk CMC