



TOWN OF ROBBINS
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Thursday, August 14, 2025 – 6:00 PM
Robbins Town Hall

I. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

Mayor Cameron Dockery
Mayor Pro Tem Nikki Bradshaw
Commissioner Brandon Phillips
Commissioner Jody Britt
Commissioner Kevin Stewart
Commissioner Lonnie English

II. INVOCATION – Mayor

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor

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

None

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

VI. APPOINTMENTS

- A. Preston Greene
Swearing in of Officer Preston Greene
- B. Marie Mabe
Swearing in Finance Officer Marie Mabe

VII. 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 June Board of Commissioners meeting

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw.
Voting Yea: Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Britt, Commissioner Stewart,
Commissioner English

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Grace Church Dream Center

Ryan presented options for the Old Police Building(See attachment)

Grace Church has a vision of a Dream Center to give back shelter, food bank, mobile clinics, education, all oriented around establishing the city and giving back. Want to pitch the idea as a partnership of how we can move forward together.

Mayor Dockery is very excited about the Dream Center. Finding out what the city needs and establishing the needs from there.

No other questions.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Brownfields Final Testing Contract

Central Pines may be able to sponsor after this topic was published on the packet.

Trying to move forward and save \$39,000 and wait a week and make a decision Board approves to wait.

Stewart added to ask about our auditor update.

Mack states its on pause until our OSA Audit has been completed. Stewart would like our auditor to come and present next month.

Add item C to new business to discuss Master Plan

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Virginia Street Project Update

Slides attached-On Virginia Street, the Culvert pipe is half the size of what it needs to be. There is something we could do internally that would increase the control flow. The more interesting part is you can see where that stream is supposed to be on the slides. Middleton Street floods when it rains, one culvert needs to be cleaned continuously. The land where the pond flows to reservoir is registered wetland and supposed to be free -flowing so the water dissipates in different directions. There is a Cape Fear study going on and instead of focusing on the street side, there is a bigger picture problem. The resolution is to restore the culvert and partner with the National Oceanic Program through CPRC. The grant will be a study first and then action will be taken. This is an educational grant that will help us get funding. Another option is to use the Wooten company pay for the engineering fees and study. Bradshaw asked if we were getting the same through the grant than through Wooten. The manager stated Wooten will focus more on the municipal street side, Oceanic will be focused on the big picture.

Bradshaw made a motion to put off the Wooten project and use the Oceanic Grant Project. Wooten would start immediately however the grant will be slightly slower.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw.

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

B. One Time Project Fund 2.0 Grant Program

Home of Golf Project:

Reviewing shovel ready ideas like Bathrooms at Bear Creek although there is no sewer access, or Bathrooms at the Greenspace where there is water and sewer.

No further discussion

C.

Stewart: Update our master plan to include water infrastructure improvements and specifically multiple options on future water plans. Without that being in our master plan it just makes it easier for us to apply for future grants to expand. Clint referenced a meeting with DWI and making water and back up a priority. Updating the Master Plan may help us score for future grants.

A quick suggestion was offered, do we want to put together a working group and see what the boards recommendation is on who do we want as a water partner. Mack stated things like that are in you all's lane.

A motion was made to form a working group. All in favor

Stewart and Bradshaw will be on the working group committee to discuss a catastrophic event and plans for water purification teams. In case of a dire emergency, we can plug in. We kept the intake on bear creek and it's easier to repair than start from scratch.

Mack talked about the Fall Round of funding for Sewer.

XI. MANAGER'S REPORT

A. August 2025 Report

Received easements from Wooten on the Water System Improvement project and will engage those needed. The manager will be requesting an extensive debrief for the state audit. Farmers Day was a success all hands were on deck for that event. Thank you to the Fire Dept for another great year.

Clint brought up why there are guns on display and he stated that OA Defense donated 5 pieces of equipment to our police force and offered armored training and tactical training for our police. The Town is appreciative and OA Defense is a great business to have in town.

Update on EMR Demo of Water plant. All that brick and still didn't fill that hole, EMR was working on another project in Chatham County that they were able to use their debris for fill. Looking to expand on this property to use for parking spaces and a gateway to Bear Creek.

Christmas Lights are ready to order. Scouting the best deal on a storage connex.

XII. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Bradshaw-Appreciate everything for Farmers Day, other than the rain,it was cooler weather. Thank you for the Police, Fire and Sheriff Department.

Stewart- Same, went well and thank you to all volunteers and town workers.

Britt-same

Phillips-none

English-none

Dockery-Southern Paws has opened off Plank Road. They have a little building they set up and she has a location in Aberdeen and Seven Lakes and here. If we could promote her, secondly, I have received by the honorable Mayor Chalflinch an invitation challenge to a Softball game.(Reads letter attached to minutes)

We have a lot to celebrate, we have lot of wins, we have stacked up an incredible amount of wins over the years for which I am not responsible for any of those. This board does. Our manager and our staff they do but we have more infrastructure than we have ever had; we've lowered taxes five straight years; we've paid down debt service; while cutting taxes-amazing-business growth has been phenomenal; economic development is on the upward trend; when I moved here 9 years ago these buildings were empty. Terri Holt has helped us-she has put businesses in them and others have and they are mostly filled now. We have become in compliance with sewer and water; we have housing, 47 brand new units in construction as we speak-that's win after win after win. Our manager when he took the job he had a sticky note from the previous manager that indicated we had roughly \$467,000 in the bank for the municipality, today correct me if I'm wrong Clint we are at \$3,000,000 so we need to celebrate this, the heartbreaking thing it has come to my attention with Clint not having any knowledge of it that we have a commissioner that spoke negatively on decisions we've made to another mayor of another municipality and that shouldn't happen; if we are going to have a problem with or manager's performance we should do so in closed session. I'm going to ask our attorney, can you speak to us as a board of the consequences of such actions. Attorney states there are options such as adopting a resolution for a motion to censor an official on particular topics. In looking at current news there is a Mayor in the City of Monroe that has been censored by the board. Fill in, Al Bensoff for regular Town attorney stated that Robbins' regular attorney has dealt with this extensively.

Lonnie stated he wanted to make mention that they asked him to step down due to the drama and he left. And he has learned from that today if you want me gone you will have to take me out in handcuffs. I'm not leaving until my terms up and then I'll go. But that's how people will do you here-I know-I got the experience. Other than that I love Robbins.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION *(if needed)*

- A. Closed Session 143-318.11
(3) and (5)

Go into Closed Session 6:59pm

Motion made by Commissioner Stewart.

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

Motion to adjourn 7:36pm

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw.

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

XIV. COMMISSIONER'S UPCOMING MEETING/EVENTS

August 23rd Yoga in the Greenspace

September 1-Labor Day Holiday Town Hall Closed

September 11th Board of Commissioners Meeting

This the _____ day of September, 2025.

Cameron Dockery, Mayor

Jessica Coltrane, Town Clerk, CMC