



TOWN OF ROBBINS
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 08, 2026 – 6:00 PM
Robbins Town Hall

I. CALL TO ORDER

The January Board of Commissioners Meeting was called to order on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at 6:00 PM in Robbins, NC.

PRESENT

Mayor Cameron Dockery
Mayor Pro Tem Nikki Bradshaw
Commissioner Brandon Phillips
Commissioner Mark Gilbert

ABSENT

Commissioner Jody Britt
Commissioner Kevin Stewart

II. INVOCATION – Mayor

The invocation was led by the Mayor.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Mayor

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

No public comments were recorded during this period.

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

No comments were recorded during this period.

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.

Approved

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Gilbert

- A. Approval of Budget Amendment 25-04 Spill at Sewer Plant
- B. Minutes of Regular December Board of Commissioners Meeting
- C. Minutes of Special December Board of Commissioners Meeting

VII. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Water System Improvements Groundbreaking Briefing-John Grey Wooten Co.

By Engineer John Grey-Wooten (presentation attached hereto)

Mr. John Grey from the Wooten Co. provided an update on the water system improvement project. He explained that the project focuses on replacing old water lines in town, specifically on Hemp, Middleton, Elm, and Fousher Streets. The project also includes replacing all residential meters with an Automatic Meter Infrastructure (AMI) system that provides instantaneous information to town hall and allows residents access to their usage data.

Mr. Grey shared that the project is funded by the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Infrastructure and through American Recovery Plan Act money, which must be spent by the end of the year. The contract has been awarded to ELJ Incorporated, with field work scheduled to begin on January 19th. The estimated completion date is the end of June.

The project budget includes \$176,000 in contingency funds, which could potentially be used to replace additional meters if not needed for unexpected issues. Mr. Grey presented the construction schedule, noting they would begin with boring operations, then move to Middleton Street in February, Hemp Street in March and April, followed by Magnolia and Fousher, and finishing with Elm Street.

Commissioner Gilbert expressed concern about potential water outages affecting businesses in town. Mr. Grey assured that planned shutdowns would come with plenty of notice, though emergency situations might occur when crews unexpectedly hit unmarked lines. He mentioned that ELJ has already been communicating well with Town Manager Mack about the project.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Trash Cans by Commissioner Gilbert

Commissioner Gilbert Jr. proposed adding public trash cans along the main thoroughfares in town, noting that without proper disposal options, some people leave trash on the ground. He presented examples of trash can options ranging from \$340 to \$1,200 each.

Commissioner Gilbert Jr. suggested implementing a partnership with local businesses where the town would provide the trash cans and bags, while businesses would be responsible for maintaining them. In exchange, businesses could have their \$14 monthly

garbage fee waived. If a business failed to maintain their trash can, they would be charged the fee for that month.

He recommended starting with 4 trash cans as a test run, potentially expanding to 8, which would require a town investment of \$3,000-\$5,000. Commissioner Gilbert Jr. noted that other Moore County towns like Southern Pines, Carthage, and Cameron all have public trash cans that help keep their streets clean. He proposed forming a committee to move forward with this initiative and planned to follow up on this matter in the future during budget season.

X. MANAGER'S REPORT

A. January 2026 Manager Report

Town Manager Clint Mack provided his January 2026 report, highlighting several accomplishments and updates:

- The town completed its first payroll using a new third-party system, which will handle all withholdings, insurance, and other payments automatically, preventing potential fines for late submissions.
- The audit portal has been established and documents are already being uploaded for the auditor and CPA contractors.
- The Brownfield budget swap from Iron Horse was approved, and the scope of work is now with the state. Additionally, the town received interest from an MTA program at Chapel Hill to use the Brownfield site as a class project to develop economic development recommendations at no cost to the town.
- The annexation process is progressing, with Carolina Survey completing an updated survey needed for the application.
- Town Manager Mack praised the fire and police departments for their excellent work during the holidays, noting there were many calls related to heaters and bonfires.
- The playground equipment project is moving forward, with a site reconnaissance completed. The area will be cleared of small trees, backfilled with gravel, and prepared for installation. Commissioner Gilbert Jr. mentioned that someone might donate used playground equipment to the town.

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

No comments were recorded during this period.

Discussion between the Town Attorney, Al Bensoff and, Town Manager Mack, and commissioners took place regarding a use agreement for the old police station. The Town Attorney clarified that while there is a signed use agreement that would take effect when the property is sold and run for 20 years, there is not an actual sale contract in place. The Town Attorney explained that for the town to sell property, they need a proper written offer and contract, not just an oral agreement.

The Board expressed some confusion about previous discussions regarding leasing versus selling the property. The Town Attorney emphasized that any lease longer than 10 years must be treated as a sale of property under state law, and that proper documentation is essential.

Commissioner Gilbert Jr. requested a copy of the use agreement for review, as he had never seen it. He also reported a constituent concern about a storm grate cover that had been knocked off at 416 East Salisbury Street, creating a potential hazard for vehicles.

XII. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Gilbert Jr. thanked Timmy and his crew for their work taking down Christmas lights and caring for them properly. He wished everyone a happy New Year.

The Mayor mentioned that he is working with the police chief to establish a chaplaincy program for the town, as officers and firefighters sometimes have to make difficult visits to homes and having a chaplain present could be beneficial. He noted that local pastors would be qualified to serve in this capacity.

No other recorded comments.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

No closed session needed

Motion to Adjourn at 6:33pm

Motion made by Commissioner Phillips.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw, Commissioner Gilbert

XIV. COMMISSIONER'S UPCOMING MEETING/EVENTS

January 19th Observed for MLK -Town Hall Closed

February 12th Board of Commissioners Meeting

The upcoming events were noted as January 19th observance for MLK Day when Town Hall will be closed, and the next Board of Commissioners Meeting on February 12th.

This the _____ day of February, 2026.

Cameron Dockery, Mayor

Jessica Coltrane, Town Clerk, CMC