



City of Trinity
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 13, 2026

Trinity City Council Chambers

MINUTES

PRESENT

Mayor Richard McNabb
Mayor Pro-Tem Robbie Walker
Councilmember Ed Lohr
Councilmember Debbie Jacky
Councilmember Paul Welborn
Councilmember Barry Allison

OTHERS PRESENT

City Manager Michael Burroughs
City Clerk Darien Comer
Finance Director Crystal Postell
Planning Director Jill Wood
City Attorney Bob Wilhoit
RCSO Sgt. Sanders

1. Mayor McNabb called the meeting to order and welcome guests.
2. Mayor McNabb led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the Invocation.
3. **Review, amend if needed, and approve Proposed Regular Agenda**

*Motion made by Councilmember Jacky to approve the agenda, Seconded by Councilmember Welborn.
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison*

*Motion made by Councilmember Welborn to amend the agenda to add a Presentation on the Cost of Freedom, Councilmember Ed Lohr to 7b, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Walker.
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison*

4. **Recognitions and Presentations**
 - a. **Proclamation Recognizing National Travel and Tourism Week**

Motion made by Councilmember Jacky, Seconded by Councilmember Allison.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

5. Public Comment Period

Ted Craven at 7268 NC Hwy 62, had concerns about the goats at the neighbors next door, at 7262 NC Hwy 62. They are not fenced in, and they venture out wherever they want. The goats are not pets they are used for livestock.

Bob Hicks at 5724 Joan Drive, is speaking on behalf of the Trinity Historic Preservation Society about the request that was made for the budget. This year's request is about the mowing of the property being done by the City of Trinity.

Lori Bass at 4451 Regina St, the City recently filled the sinkholes in her backyard. Myles Dillon did an excellent job; however, she feels the work was left incomplete. No soil, grading, or grass was added after the holes were filled. In its current condition, she is unable to properly mow or maintain the property, which could place her out of compliance with City requirements.

6. Consent Agenda Items

- a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of March 9, 2026

Motion made by Councilmember Allison to approve, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

7. Finance and Budget Items

- a. Monthly Financial Report

Motion made by Councilmember Welborn to approve, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

- b. Councilmember Ed Lohr made a Presentation on the cost of Freedom.

8. Action Items

- a. Approve Professional Services Agreement with Strategic Government Affairs (SGA)

Motion made by Councilmember Allison to approve, Seconded by Councilmember Jacky.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

Voting Nay: Councilmember Lohr

- b. Approve FY2025-2026 Budget Amendment for Agreement with SGA

Motion made by Councilmember Jacky amend the Budget for 2025 - 2026 for the cost of \$4000, Seconded by Councilmember Welborn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn,

Councilmember Allison

Voting Nay: Councilmember Lohr

c. Amend Capital Project Ordinance for High Point Force Main

Manager Burroughs explained that WithersRavenal deferred some payments for easements on the Force Main Project.

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker to approve the Capitol Project ordinance for the High Point Force Main, Seconded by Councilmember Allison.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

d. Align City of Trinity's Animal Control Ordinance with North Carolina General Statutes

Manager Burroughs This is to match our ordinance with the General Statutes. We are amending that goats are livestock.

Motion made by Councilmember Allison to align our City of Trinity's Animal Control Ordinance with the North Carolina General Statutes, Seconded by Councilmember Jacky.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

e. Approve Amendment to Personnel Policy

Manager Burroughs explained that the Bereavement policy was left out of the Personnel Policy. This is for immediate family and three days' leave.

Motion made by Councilmember Welborn to approve the amendment to the Personnel Policy, Seconded by Councilmember Allison.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

f. Appointment of Park Steering Committee Members

Manager Burroughs presented the names for the Park Steering Committee Members to the Council for a vote.

Debbie Jacky - City Councilmember

Paul Welborn - City Councilmember

Danny Phillips - Friends of Trinity

Mary Joan Pugh - Randolph Co. Trails Program Manager

John Ogburn - Retired City Manager of Asheboro

WithersRavenal, engineers are performing the land survey and engineering architectural and construction inspection services.

Motion made by Councilmember Allison to adopt the appointment of the Steering Committee Members, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn,

Councilmember Allison

Voting Nay: Councilmember Lohr

9. City Manager and Staff Reports

a. Power Point Presentation

- Bob Howard (6821 NC HWY 62)
- Susan White Hutto (4582 Colonial Cir)
- Lori Bass (4451 Regina St)
- Joe Gray (4349 Montana)
- Fairview Church Rd Speed
- City of Thomasville Meeting

Manager Burroughs presented a power point that is attached to these minutes.

Motion made by Councilmember Allison to continue talking to Thomasville further about wastewater, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

10. Budget Workshop #2

General Fund Revenue Changes

Trash Charges - \$15.00 first trash charge stays the same.

Second Trash Charge - \$11.25 charge stays the same.

General Fund Expenditure Change

Increase City Councilmembers annual salary to \$4,800

Increase the Mayor to \$8,400 annually.

2.5% Cost of Living Adjustment

Motion made by Councilmember Jacky to give the staff a 2.5% COLA increase and an increase for the Mayor and Councilmembers, Seconded by Councilmember Welborn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison.

Voting Nay: Mayor Pro Tem Walker, Councilmember Ed Lohr.

The Council would like to review the Personnel Policy at a later time.

Congratulations to the City Clerk, Darien Comer, she has earned her credentials from the UNC School of Government as a Certified Municipal Clerk and therefore, will move to a new job rate.

Requesting a 2027 Pickup Truck to be purchased off State of North Carolina Purchasing Contract for Code Enforcement Officer. Request would be sent out in October 2026, and the vehicle will be delivered in March or April 2027.

The Council's consensus is to wait on the purchasing of a pickup truck.

New Position in Street Department funded at 50% (6 months) at \$25,000.

The Council's consensus was to put a hold on hiring an Office Assistant.

Increase the transfer to the Parks and Recreation Fund by \$626,044.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Walker to increase the Parks and Recreation Fund by \$626.044, Seconded by Councilmember Welborn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Walker, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

Voting Nay: Councilmember Lohr.

Randolph County Family Crisis Center has been added to the Community Enhancement Grants to Agencies. The Council's consensus is to give Friends of Trinity \$8000.

The Council left the increase for the sewer at 33%.

Mayor Pro Tem Walker would like to see the property beside City Hall cleared and planted with grass.

11. Upcoming Events

- a. **City Haul - 4/30, 5/1 & 5/2**

12. Adjournment

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Seconded by Councilmember Allison.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Walker, Councilmember Lohr, Councilmember Jacky, Councilmember Welborn, Councilmember Allison

Attest:

Richard McNabb, Mayor

Darien P. Comer, City Clerk