



**City of Trinity**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**May 11, 2026**  
**City Council Chambers**

**MINUTES**

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**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  
Public Works Director Rodney Johnson  
Finance Director Crystal Postell  
Planner Carrie Spencer  
City Attorney Bob Wilhoit  
RCSO Sgt. Sanders  
SCEI Eric Clem

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

*Motion made by Councilmember Allison to amend the agenda to add 12a Personnel Policy, Seconded by Councilmember Welborn.*

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

*Motion made by Councilmember Jacky to add 11j Discussion about the 250th Celebration to the agenda, Seconded by Councilmember Welborn.*

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

***Motion made by Councilmember Allison to amend the agenda and add 12a Personnel Policy and 11j discussion about the 250th Celebration, 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 Professional Municipal Clerks Week May 3 - 9, 2026
- b. Proclamation Recognizing National Public Works Week May 17 - 23, 2026

Mayor McNabb recognized and read the Proclamations.

#### **5. Public Comment Period**

**Curtis Connor of 3814 Crescent Avenue** informed the Council about the annual Memorial Day events held in Thomasville. The events will honor Gold Star families, wounded warriors, and families who have lost loved ones to suicide. A ceremony will also be held at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall located at the I-85 rest stop, where Vietnam veterans and their families will be recognized and honored on Sunday evening, veterans will be invited to a dinner at First Baptist Church in Thomasville. The dinner is called "Gathering of Warriors." Later that Sunday night, a patriotic music concert featuring a live band will take place at Finch Auditorium. The Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday morning in Thomasville and will begin at 9:00 a.m. Numerous activities are planned throughout the day.

#### **6. Consent Agenda Items**

- a. Approval of the Planning Retreat Minutes from March 12, 2026
- b. Approval of the Budget Workshop Minutes from April 6, 2026
- c. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2026

***Motion made by Councilmember Allison to approve the Consent Agenda, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker.***

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

#### **7. Old Business**

- a. Councils continued investigation and analysis concerning the possible removal of the substandard structure located at 5515 Rockford Dr. per NCGS 160D-1203

**Steven Gray at 5515 Rockford Drive, Inez Grays' nephew** reported that he thought this was set for June's meeting. He stated that nothing has been done on the house as of today. He did file for a general construction permit in Randolph County, permit #202600000710. He also spoke with Davidson Water about the water and called the City about the sewer. He had an architectural engineer to look at the house who told them the house could be repaired. He stated a plumber and electrician have already been hired. He also stated materials for the house have been purchased. The foundation will be done to code. Mr. Gray's desire is to keep the house.

Councilmember Allison would like to see some work done by the August meeting. Mr. Gray thought this was an unreasonable request.

***Motion made by Councilmember Allison to Table until the August 10th meeting will need to see some results started on the house., Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker.***

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

***Voting Nay: Councilmember Lohr***

## **8. Finance and Budget Items**

- a. Monthly Financial Report

***Motion made by Councilmember Welborn, Seconded by Councilmember Jacky.***

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

## **9. Public Hearing**

- a. Rezoning Request - John Wilson Lucas Jr. is requesting that 0.81 acres located at 12328 Trinity Rd. PIN #7718103709, be rezoned from RR to GB (General Business)

**Planner Carrie Spencer**, presented a request located at 12328 Trinity Road, PIN #7718103709 to be rezoned from Rural Residential to General Business. The owner John Wilson Lucas Jr., desires to use the property for commercial development. The Planning Board heard this request at a public meeting on April 20, 2026, and recommended unanimously that the City Council approve the request as consistent with the Trinity Land Use Plan.

***Motion made by Councilmember Welborn to open the Public Hearing, Seconded by Councilmember Jacky.***

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

### **Speaking neither For nor Against:**

**Ira Hope speaking for his father James Hope Sr. at 5437 Old School Road**, inquired about the affect it would have on his property concerning the value and taxes.

**Landon Stenite at 3475 Trinity Circle Court**, inquired about the benefits this change would bring and the need for the rezoning.

Mayor McNabb closed the Public Hearing.

***Motion made by Councilmember Jacky to accept the rezoning as it is consistent with the Trinity Land Use Plan and adopt the Consistency Statement as written, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Walker.***

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

***Voting Nay: Councilmember Lohr***

## **10. Action Items**

- a. Approve Resolution Delegating Authority to the City Manager to exempt certain projects from the Procurement Process established by the Mini-Brooks Act. *Resolution 26 - 07*

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

## **11. City Manager and Staff Reports**

### a. IT Services

**Manager Burroughs** stated that the IT Services were requested for review. During the budget process, the governing body reviews contacts and points staff in the direction in which they feel it is best to go. Staff are requesting direction if any change needs to be made pertaining to IT services.

***Motion made by Councilmember Welborn to table until the June 8th meeting, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker.***

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

### b. Jimmy Shore - Care Package

The care package was ordered and delivered.

### c. City Hall vacant property land cleanup

Manager Burroughs informed the Council that Glover Engineering is working on a engineer estimate and will be sending in information soon for the land clearing on the property next door to City Hall.

### d. Budget Follow Up

There were discussions about COLA and keeping up with the State and National standards. The Public Hearing for the Budget will be at the June 8th meeting and June 22nd will be the Approval of the Fiscal year 2026 - 2027 Budget.

### e. Parking Issues

A meeting has been scheduled with Sheriff Seabolt to discuss parking issues. The majority of the parking violations occur after 5:00 PM and on weekends when we don't have a Code Enforcement Officer on duty. We are investigating this further to see how we are going to address this issue.

### f. State Highway Patrol - First Sergeant Baker

Manager spoke with 1st Sergeant Brandon Baker with the Highway Patrol, and he advised that patrol would be more visible on the Fairview Church Road and Meadowbrook Dr. areas.

### g. KRG Smoke Testing Information

Not uncommon for municipalities to contract out to a third party. Used neighboring cities as an example.

### h. Sewer Allocation with Thomasville Report

There was a meeting with Chad Cowan with Raftelis. We provided them with information from previous meetings with the City of Thomasville. They are to help us figure out what the sewer is worth.

- i. City of Trinity Animal Control Issue

The goats have been abated and removed from the property.

- j. 4451 Regina Street Follow Up

The property has been completed, and the property owner was very satisfied with the work the City provided.

- k. 250th Celebration

Ideas were mentioned for the 250th Celebration of America such as flags down NC Hwy 62, a speaker to speak on the history of America and to obtain a venue.

- l. City of Trinity Logo

The City of Trinity logo will be temporarily updated to reflect the 250th Celebration.

## **12. Mayor and Council Discussion**

- a. Personnel Policy

Councilmember Allison is requesting to amend the wording in the personnel policy concerning the merit and the cost of living adjustment. This will be addressed and given to the Council later.

## **13. Upcoming Events**

- a. Jacob Carroll pickup May 15, 2026

## **14. Closed Session**

- a. Closed Session - per NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with the City Attorney in order to protect attorney-client privilege

***Motion made by Councilmember Welborn to go into Closed session, Seconded by Councilmember Jacky.***

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

***Motion made by Councilmember Welborn to go out of Closed Session and back into Open Session, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Walker.***

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

**15. Adjournment**

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

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

**Attest:**

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**Richard McNabb, Mayor**

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**Darien P. Comer, City Clerk**

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