



TOWN OF  
**GRANITE FALLS**  
*North Carolina*

Barry Hayes Mayor • Dr. Caryl B. Burns Mayor Pro Tem • Jerry T. Church Town Manager  
Council Members Larry Knight • Jim Mackie • Mike Mackie • Martin D. Townsend • Tracy Townsend

**AGENDA**  
**REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021**  
**4 SOUTH MAIN STREET**  
**6:00 PM**

**Per Center for Disease Control guidance, attendees at the Council meeting who have not been vaccinated should continue to wear face coverings and social distance from others in attendance.**

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| <b>I.</b>    | <b>WELCOME - CALL TO ORDER</b>  | <b>MAYOR BARRY HAYES</b>         |
| <b>II.</b>   | <b>INVOCATION</b>   | <b>TOWN MANAGER JERRY CHURCH</b> |
| <b>III.</b>  | <b>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</b>   | <b>MAYOR BARRY HAYES</b>         |
| <b>IV.</b>   | <b>RECOGNITION OF VISITORS</b>  |                                  |
| <b>V.</b>    | <b>SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS/RECOGNITIONS – NONE</b>                      |                                  |
| <b>VI.</b>   | <b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>   |                                  |
| <b>VII.</b>  | <b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 26, 2021.</b> |                                  |
| <b>VIII.</b> | <b>TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT</b>   | <b>BRUCE CANNON</b>              |
| <b>IX.</b>   | <b>PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD</b>  |                                  |
| <b>X.</b>    | <b>PUBLIC HEARINGS</b>  | <b>NONE SCHEDULED</b>            |
| <b>XI.</b>   | <b>NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS</b>  |                                  |

**1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE UPDATED TOWN OF GRANITE FALLS' AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) TRANSITION PLAN**

On April 19, 2021, April Ritchie, WPCOG Transportation Planner, presented the updated Town of Granite Falls' ADA Transition Plan (Plan) which was written in 1992. The draft of the Plan was posted on the Town website and on the WPCOG website for the required 30 (thirty) day public comment period. There were no public comments submitted and the Council can approve the revised plan. A hard copy of the final Plan will be is available for review in the Council Room until 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2021 and the final Plan can be reviewed on-line at [https://41caa07a-56ba-4c1e-bb60-4d43c53aa7ab.filesusr.com/ugd/960958\\_263d3599df3c4c50bef2afd9ca14deb3.pdf](https://41caa07a-56ba-4c1e-bb60-4d43c53aa7ab.filesusr.com/ugd/960958_263d3599df3c4c50bef2afd9ca14deb3.pdf) (The Plan will be recorded in the minutes as attachment #1.)

**2. ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT #2-2021-CHAPTER 160-D UPDATE**

Town Planner Greg Wilson will cover the Granite Falls Planning Board virtual regular meeting on Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. where the Planning Board considered Zoning Text Amendment #2-2021. Zoning Text Amendment #2-2021 updates certain Town Zoning Regulations as required by legislative updates to Chapter 160D of the North Carolina General Statutes. The Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend that the Town Council approve Zoning Text Amendment #2-2021 as presented. (See attachment #2.)

Action requested: Call for a public (legislative) hearing on Zoning Text Amendment #2-2021 at the next Council meeting scheduled for Monday, June 21, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

**3. FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial dashboard for the ten months ended 5/31/2021 is enclosed for your review and comment. This report represents 92% of the current 2020-2021 fiscal year budget. Also enclosed for Council review is an analysis of 2020-2021 sales tax revenue and property tax revenue versus prior year and budgeted revenues. (See attachment #3.)

**4. APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR THE GRANITE FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER TO GRANITE FALLS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Council is requested to approve an agreement between the Caldwell County Board of Education (School Board) and the Granite Falls Police Department (GFPD) for the GFPD to continue providing a School Resource Officer (SRO) for Granite Falls Middle School (GFMS). The School Board reimburses the GFPD for the cost of providing the SRO for GFMS. Council is also requested to authorize the Town Manager to sign this agreement on behalf of the Town. (See attachment #4.)

**5. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT #18 FY 2020-2021**

Finance Director Jana Williams requests the Council approve budget amendment #18 for fiscal year 2021. (See attachment #5.)

Increase Electric Fund Budgeted Revenue – Electric Sales	\$226,000.00
Increase Electric Fund Budgeted Expense – Electric Purchases	\$226,000.00

**6. DESIGNATE DEPOSITORIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

It is required the Council designate financial institutions the Town may use as depositories during fiscal year 2021-2022. (See attachment #6.)

First Horizon

NC Cash Management Trust

First Citizens Bank

**7. CONSIDER CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE**

Council is requested to cancel the regular Council meeting scheduled for Monday, August 16, 2021. If it is necessary for the Council to meet twice in August, the Council could meet on Monday, August 23, 2021 or Monday, August 30, 2021.

**8. TOWN HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

The Town of Granite Falls Administrative Office, the Recreation Center, and the Public Works and Electric Departments will be closed on Monday, July 5, 2021 for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday and on Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup> for the Labor Day Holiday. The Police and Fire Departments and the Water and Wastewater Facilities will be on duty as scheduled and those employees scheduled to work the holiday receive alternate time off with pay. Republic Services will pick up garbage and recycling on their regular schedule.

**XII. OTHER BUSINESS NOT LISTED**

**XIII. MANAGER UPDATE**

Town Manager Jerry Church shall update the Council on the following:

1. Enclosed with your Agenda package is a calendar of events through the end of July, 2022. Revisions since the last calendar are highlighted in yellow.

Note: Members of the Town Council may attend events that are, or are not, sponsored by the Town but there will be no Council business conducted at any of these events in instances where a quorum of the Council may be present.

2. Other Items of Interest

**XIV. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. WPCOG Policy Board
2. Caldwell County Railroad Policy Board
3. Sales Tax Reinvestment Committee
4. Catawba River Study Committee
5. Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Technical Coordinating
6. Caldwell County Economic Development Commission (EDC)
7. Corporate Circle – sponsored by Caldwell Chamber of Commerce
8. NC Municipal Power Agency # 1 Board of Commissioners
9. Caldwell County Manager's bi-monthly meeting
10. ElectriCities Grassroots Committee
11. Caldwell County's Green Commission

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1. The Granite Falls Recreation Advisory Board, the Granite Falls Merchants' Association, and the Granite Falls History Committee meetings are cancelled until further notice due to COVID-19.
2. The Granite Falls Planning Board will have a virtual meeting on Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m.
3. The Granite Falls Board of Adjustment will not meet in June.
3. The Granite Falls Land Use Plan Steering Committee will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Recreation Center Social Hall.
4. The WPCOG MPO/RPO will meet Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at the WPCOG.
5. The Granite Falls ABC Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2021-2022 budget on Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. at the ABC store. The Granite Falls ABC Board will meet Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at the ABC store.

In accordance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, neither the Town of Granite Falls, nor the Granite Falls ABC Board, discriminates on the basis of disability in conducting its meetings. Individuals with disabilities who require auxiliary aids or services or other accommodations for effective communication and participating in a meeting may contact the Town Clerk at (828) 396-3131. Requests should be made at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

**Reminder: The next Town Council Meeting is a special meeting on Monday, June 21, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.**