Town of Woodfin
Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 21, 2026
5:00 pm

ACTION MEETING MINUTES

Council Members Present
Mayor Jim McAllister
Council Member Dan Bowers
Council Member Ken Kahn
Council Member Johanna Young
Vice Mayor Elisabeth Ervin
Council Member Philip Cohen
Council Member Max "Chip" Parton

Town Staff Present
Shannon Tuch, Town Manager
John Henning, Town Attorney
Ricky Hurley, Planning Director
Sheri Powers, Finance & Budget Director
Jacqui Boykin, Police Chief
Gena Powers, Town Clerk / PIO

The meeting video can be seen in its entirety at:
https://www.youtube.com/live/vbC-gqylmoM?si=hfpKymttHEwyNKBY

Mayor McAllister called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

A. Approval of the Agenda
Vice Mayor Ervin made a motion to approve the agenda, moving item F.2 on the agenda to the last item under New Business. Council Member Kahn seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 6-0.

B. Consent Agenda (01:45)
1. Approval of March 17, 2026, regular and closed session meeting minutes.
2. Approval of March 3, 2026, Performance Plan Subcommittee meeting minutes.
3. Approval of April 14, 2026, budget work session minutes.
4. Approval of the tax collection report for the period ending February 2026.
5. Approval of Resolution 2026-02 Asking HCA CEO Sam Hazen to Engage Directly with Stakeholders in Western North Carolina.
6. Adoption of amended Town Council Meeting Schedule, changing the May 5, 2026, budget work session time from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Council Member Parton made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Mayor Ervin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0.

C. Public Comment (01:50)– The public is invited to attend this meeting in person or view this meeting on YouTube Live: https://www.youtube.com/live/mW1GYyGFBFc?si=CSgchOZx28g4XwQW . All documents related to agenda items not published on the website may be viewed in advance of the meetings in person at Town Hall, 90 Elk Mountain Rd, Woodfin.

There was no public comment.

Citizens may address the Board concerning various topics after being recognized by the mayor and are limited to 3 (three) minutes speaking time.

D. Presentations & Reports (01:56)
1. Town Manager Report – Shannon Tuch, Town Manager
2. Land Development Ordinance Update – Chad Meadows, CodeWright Planners

E. New Business (57:50)

1. Adoption of Town Council Strategic Priorities for 2026. -Shannon Tuch, Town Manager

Vice Mayor Ervin made a motion to approve the revised Woodfin Town Council Strategic Priorities for 2026. Council Member Kahn seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0

2. Review of Town Manager Performance Evaluation – Performance Plan Subcommittee

3. Discussion regarding proposed moratorium on data centers and other similar land uses. -Council Members Ervin & Young.

Council Member Young made a motion to have town staff do whatever needs to be done in their magical way to see about us putting this forth. Vice Mayor Ervin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0

4. Discussion regarding "Lennie's Law"
   a. Presentation -Adam Smith, Maddie Barondeau, Griffin Tichenor
   b. Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-03 supporting Lennie's Law.

Council Member Cohen made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-03, also known as a resolution in support of "Lennie's Law". Council Member Parton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0.

F. Adjournment-

Vice Mayor Ervin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Kahn seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0.

Mayor McAllister adjourned the meeting at 6:34 pm.

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James C. McAllister/Mayor

Attest: Gena Powers
Gena Powers/Town Clerk