Town of Fletcher
Town Council Agenda Review Meeting
Minutes
August 3, 2026

Call the meeting to order at: 6:00 PM

Mayor Preston Blakely
Mayor Pro-Tem Trevor Lance
Council member Keith Reed
Councilmember Amber McKinney
Councilmember Jim Player
Town Manager Mark Biberdorf

Moment of Silence:

No comments were made at this time.

Pledge of Allegiance:

No comments were made at this time.

Public Comments:

Joe Black of 340 Howard Gap Road, Fletcher, commented on cell phone use while driving, and he said that someone who was on their phone the other day while driving and almost ran into him. He stated that cell phone use while driving is not safe.

Approval of minutes - corrections, additions or deletions

Agenda Review Meeting July 6, 2026

Regular Meeting July 13, 2026

No comments were made at this time.

Council Updates

No comments were made at this time.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Resolution R-26-04 to sell surplus property by public auction.

Tax refunds/releases

Mayor Blakely asked if council had any questions on the consent agenda this time.

Council had no comments on the consent agenda.

Discussion Items

Public Evidentiary Hearing: Special Use Permit Review: Focus Plus Academy (26-11-SUP) - Tyler Morrow, Planning & Zoning Director

Mayor Blakely stated that we will have a public hearing next week concerning a special use permit.

Approval of Budget Amendment # 2 for the purchase of garbage truck — Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf stated that this budget amendment is an accounting adjustment necessary to properly recognize both the financing proceeds and the capital expenditure that is associated with this purchase. The cost of the garbage truck is $391,871.00 and the budget amendment is for $400,000.00 to help cover acquisition costs.

Discussion Followed:

This item will be moved to the consent agenda for approval next week.

Approval of Budget Amendment # 3 for the purchase of a street sweeper — Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager.

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf stated that this budget amendment appropriates the insurance proceeds, along with additional fund balance to fund the purchase of a replacement street sweeper. The budget amendment is for $236,000.00.

Discussion Followed:

This item will be moved to the consent agenda for approval next week.

Report on Performance Measures for Town Services - Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf went over the most recent performance measures for department heads in their specific departments.

Discussion Followed:

Update on Cane Creek Greenway Extension Project - Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf stated that this project has been pushed back a little. We were hoping for late summer or early fall to get a design on it. I asked McGill to do an updated timeline on it. The biggest reason is we are still working on the easement on the Fern Leaf property and then the potential of deeding over a section along the creek on the Charlie Owen property. They are both on board and the property has been surveyed. Mr. Owen wanted it

back further to the creek. We had it a bit further south than he was comfortable with. They won't approve the permits on this until they know that the landowner has given an easement or deeded over the property for this.

Discussion Followed:

Town Manager Report

Town Center project: I emailed you all some updates on this. I shared with you our meeting with Lewis Real Estate Group, which are the ones that have had the most experience. They have suggested hiring a land planner to basically update the master plan which updates marketability. They would come back with a budget and timeline as to when this could be done. If they are going to do this, I would want them to come back and talk to you about this. I told them we wanted something back in writing before we engage with them on this.

I did hear back from Dan Merrill with Southeast Capital Partners. They have received good feed back from an anchor tenant, and then they want to bring a site plan back to us.

Library project: I have been continuing to communicate with the county manager on this. He said that I should be anticipating seeing the draft MOU within the next week. I let them know that you all had moved the additional fund balance dedication for the library project. They have put out an RFP and will be meeting on August the 12th and have invited me to participate.

On the Ingles Intersection of Old Airport Road and Hwy 25 that turns left into the parking lot we have had some issues with accidents. In the past, they have made some adjustments to the light but we still have issues there. I talked to the District engineer Steve Cannon, and he asked for more data and the police department is working on this.

Discussion Followed:

Department Reports

July Reports

Adjourn

Mayor Blakely asked for a motion to adjourn.

Councilmember Keith Reed motioned to adjourn, and it was seconded by Councilmember Jim Player.

Motion all in favor.

Adjourned at: 6:54 pm

Upcoming Events

Regular Meeting August 10, 2026, at 6:00 pm
Art in the Park August 14, 2026
Agenda Review Meeting September 8, 2026, at 6:00 pm "Tuesday"
Regular Meeting September 14, 2026, at 6:00 pm
Agenda Review Meeting October 5, 2026, at 6:00 pm
Regular Meeting October 12, 2026, at 6:00 pm
Halloween Carnival in the park October 24, 2026

Approved.

Date

Signed