Minutes
Town of Rose Hill

Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 12, 2026
Town of Rose Hill Conference Room
103 SE Railroad Street

Call to Order: Mayor Davy C. Buckner called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

In attendance were Mayor Davy C. Buckner, Mayor Tempore Billy Wilson, Commissioner Perry Tully, and Commissioner Calvin Miller; Commissioner Adam Quinn and Commissioner Tashau Mathis were absent. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Angela Smith, Town Clerk Keren Parker, Deputy Clerk Vickie Dixon, Town Attorney Kenn Thompson, Public Works Director Blake Parker, and Police Chief Michael Tyndall. There was a total of (10) citizens in the audience.

Invocation: Mayor Davy C. Buckner gave the invocation

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Davy C. Buckner lead the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC HEARING for Zoning Map Amendment Request
For Tax Parcel 11-997-1 (a±3.09 Acre Portion of Tax Parcel #11-997)
From I-1 to MU, Submitted by Carlos Bonilla and Cindy Ferral

Mayor Davy C. Buckner opened the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m.

Town Administrator Angela Smith stated that the purpose of the public hearing is to hear public comments regarding the rezoning of Parcel #11-997-1 from Industrial 1 (I-1) to Mixed Use (MU), submitted by Mr. Carlos Bonilla and Mrs. Cindy Ferral on March 20th, 2026. TA Smith also stated that all Planning Board members received the proposed amendment for review.
All five members submitted comments, with no objection to the matter. On April 23rd, 2026, all property owners adjacent to the property were mailed a notice of the request. No written comments were submitted. The public hearing notice was published in the Duplin Journal on April 23rd and April 30th, 2026.

TA Smith also stated that the subject parcel abuts property currently zoned Mixed Use (MU). The rezoning request is consistent with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The planning board as well as town staff recommends the approval of rezoning parcel #11-997-1.

Public Comment:

Mr. Durwood Parker expressed his concerns regarding the proposed rezoning of parcel #11-997-1. Mr. Parker asked whether the rezoning would result in Town taxes being applied to his property, noting that his property is adjacent to the property requesting rezoning. Town Administration Angela Smith informed Mr. Parker that the rezoning of Parcel 11-997-1 would not result in any Town taxes being applied to his property.

No further public comments were voiced; Mayor Davy C. Buckner closed the Public Hearing at 6:06 p.m.

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Billy Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Calvin Miller to accept the reasonableness statement for zoning request from Industrial 1 (I-1) to Mixed Use (MU). Motion carried unanimously.
2. A motion was made by Commissioner Billy Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Calvin Miller to adopt the ordinance to amend the Town of Rose Hill's zoning map for tax parcel 11-997-1. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET ORDINANCE FY 2026-2027

Mayor Davy C. Buckner opened the Public Hearing at 6:08 p.m.

Town Administrator Angela Smith stated that the purpose of the Public Hearing is to record any comments regarding the proposed FY 2026/2027 Budget and Budget Ordinance for the Town of Rose Hill

Public Comment:

Resident Tanya Pittman asked Town Administrator Smith if the resurfacing street project is a part of the FY 2026/2027 budget. Town Administrator Smith stated that the street resurfacing project is included in the upcoming fiscal year budget; however, she noted that it is a multi-year project.

No further public comment were voiced; Mayor Davy C. Buckner closed the Public Hearing at 6:11 p.m.

I. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes, April 14, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes
B. Approval of Budget Amendment #15: General Fund: $2,500.00
C. Approval of Budget Amendment #16: General Fund: $1,500.00
D. Approval of Budget Amendment #18: General Fund: $5,000.00

Approved
Motion: Commissioner Billy Wilson
Seconded: Commissioner Calvin Miller
Vote: Yes 3 No 0

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved
Motion: Commissioner Billy Wilson
Seconded: Commissioner Calvin Miller
Vote: Yes 3 No 0

PUBLIC COMMENT
(Limit 3 minutes per individual)

Resident Tanya Pittman expressed her appreciation to the Fire Department and Police Department for doing an excellent job so far this year. Ms. Pittman also voiced her concerns about Ridge Street near trailer park, noting that individuals have been dumping big bulk garbage (mattress, couches, chairs) along the roadside, which creates an unsightly appearance for the town. Ms. Pittman believes that non-resident individuals are responsible for these activities.

II. Action Agenda Item

A. Consider Approval of Application for Appointments to Planning Board and Board of Commissioners

TA Smith informed the board that Planning Board member Mr. Johnny Williams resigned from his position on the planning board committee. TA Smith noted that the Town does not currently have a formal policy for appointing replacements when a resignation occurs. TA Smith stated an application process will ensure all citizens have equal opportunity to apply for any vacancies due to a resignation.

Approved
Motion: Commissioner Perry Tully
Seconded: Commissioner Billy Wilson
Vote: Yes 3 No 0

B. Consider Approval of Energy Efficiency Lighting Upgrade – Rose Hill Library

In 2024 the board approved the upgrading of the lighting at Town Hall to LED in efforts to conserve energy. During that time, the Rose Hill library also received a quote for an LED upgrade; however, the Town voted not to move forward at that time. At the time Duke Energy's incentive covered 23% of the project cost, leaving the Town responsible for 77% ($4,417). Duke Energy's current incentive has increased to 35%, reducing the Town's portion to 65% ($3,422.51) if paid as a lump sum.

Approved
Motion: Commissioner Billy Wilson
Seconded: Commissioner Calvin Miller
Vote: Yes 3 No 0

C. Consider Approval of Budget Amendment #17: $24,000

TA Smith reported that during the previous meeting it was noted that a fiber-optic line had been discovered on the sewer line on Chairty Road. Due to the damage, additional repairs to the gravity sewer line will be required. The total cost of the damage is $55,192.00. TA Smith also stated that a claim has been filled with Mastec but has not received any correspondence.

Approved
Motion: Commissioner Perry Tully
Seconded: Commissioner Calvin Miller
Vote: Yes 3 No 0

D. Consider Approval of Implementation of the Resurfacing Program for FY 25-26 by Award of the Resurfacing Contract to Legion Asphalt: $107,185.68

Resolved, by the Rose Hill Town Board of Commissioners that the Implementation of the Resurfacing Program for FY 25-26 by the award of the Resurfacing Contract to Legion Asphalt, Inc. in the amount of $107,185.68 **is Approved.**

Motion: Commissioner Billy Wilson
Seconded: Commissioner Calvin Miller
Vote: Yes 3 No 0

E. Consider Approval of Sidewalk – Downtown East Church Street and E. Main Street

TA Smith gave a brief recap of the previous meeting. At the previous meeting the board voted to issue a public notice requesting citizen input regarding the reconstruction of the sidewalk located on E. Church Street and E. Main Street with the intent to vote on option 4 (including handrails). TA Smith reported that no written responses were received and if approved the project would approximately take one week to complete.

Business owner Anthony Morris voiced his concerns regarding the changes on the sidewalk. Mr. Morris explained that the reconstruction of the sidewalk could create drainage issues, as stormwater currently drains away from the front of his building. If the drain is not properly reinstalled, this could potentially lead to roof damage from standing water. Mr. Morris requested that a design drawing be provided.

After some discussion it was the consensus of the board to table the project until a drawing could be submitted by the contractor.

F. Consider Approval of Budget Amendment #12: Powell Bill: $26,021.00

No Action.

III. Reports

A. Administration
   - Monthly Budget vs. Actual – TA Smith briefly went over the revenue/expense summary for April 30, 2026
   - Cash Report – TA Smith provided the Board with a cash report

B. Police – None
C. Fire – Fire Chief Billy Wilson gave a brief verbal report
D. Public Works-
E. Recreation- Recreation Director Lois M. Robinson provided a written report to the board
F. Tax Collection – No report
G. Attorney – None

IV. Comments from Mayor and Board

Commissioner Billy Wilson expressed his appreciation to each department for their hard work and dedication. Mayor Davy C. Buckner also shared his appreciation with everyone who attended the meeting.

V. Adjourn

Time: 6:44 p.m.
Motion: Commissioner Billy Wilson
Seconded: Commissioner Perry Tully
Vote: Yes 3 No 0

Respectfully Submitted.

Keren Parker

Keren Parker
Town Clerk