

MINUTES OF THE WHITSETT TOWN COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
JUNE 9, 2026
Whitsett Town Hall Building

A public hearing was held at 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at the Whitsett Town Hall. The following members of the Town Council were present: Mayor Chip Bell, Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Rice, Council Members Craig York, Cindy Wheeler and Lee Greeson. Also present were Town Administrator Karen Horne, Town Clerk Barbara York and seven Town residents.

Mayor Bell then made a motion to officially open the June Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Council Member Craig York. Following the unanimous vote, Mayor Bell declared the hearing in session.

Mayor Bell asked Council Member Lee Greeson to offer the invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Bell stated that the purpose of tonight's meeting was to discuss and ask questions regarding the 2026-2027 General and Water Budgets, and a Future Land Use Map update that will reflect the current Zoning Map.

1. 2026-2027 General Budget

Town Administrator Karen Horne explained that there would be no tax increase reflected in this proposed budget by the Town and that it will remain at .20 per 100 of property value. She discussed Senate Bill 474 that this could delay the Guilford County Property Value adjustments. She will keep the Council updated as this is in review in the NC House and Senate. Mayor Bell asked the audience if they had any questions regarding the upcoming General Budget and there were none.

2. 2026-2027 Water Budget

Town Administrator Karen Horne explained that there would be no water payment increase by the Town for the coming fiscal year. Mayor Bell asked the audience if they had any questions regarding the upcoming Water Budget and there were none.

3. Town Administrator Horne explained that the Planning Board was recommending that the Council approve an update to the Future Land Use Map so that it reflects the current Zoning Map. Mayor Bell asked if anyone had any questions regarding the Future Land Use Map and there were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bell offered those present a final opportunity for questions or comments; and with none, he asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Rice made the motion to close the public hearing; motion seconded by Council Member Craig York. The motion carried by unanimous vote, and the June 9, 2026, Public Hearing was adjourned at approximately 6:10 p.m.

Chip Bell, Mayor

Barbara York, Town Clerk

APPROVED: