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June 22, 2026

6:30 PM

Public Hearing – Proposed Budget APPROVED Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Goad at 6:30 PM.

Declaration of Quorum: A quorum was present.

Members Present: Mayor Goad, Council members Carlson, Hall, Johnson, Sibley and Wright all in person.

Members Absent: None.

Guests present: Randy , Jeff Hunnewell, Julie Memler, Debbie Tiller, John and Joey Westman

This hearing is for the specified purpose of hearing resident questions and responses regarding the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. All questions and discussion must be limited to the Budget.

There were a few questions that were addressed.

When there were no more questions or comments, the Mayor called for a vote to adjourn.

A motion was made by Council member Carlson to adjourn the Public Hearing.

Seconded by Council member Johnson.

Vote: 5-0.

The vote on the Budget will take place during the regular Council meeting immediately following.

The Hearing was adjourned by Mayor Goad at 6:58 PM, to be immediately followed by the regular Council meeting.



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June 22, 2026

7:00 PM

Regular Council Meeting APPROVED Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Goad at 7:00 PM.

Declaration of Quorum: A quorum was present.

**Members Present: Mayor Goad, Council members Carlson, Hall, Johnson, and Sibley in person,
Council member Wright by phone.**

Members Absent: None.

Guests present: Randy , Jeff Hunnewell, Julie Memler, Debbie Tiller, John and Joey Westman

Pledge of Allegiance:

Agenda Setting:

A motion was made by Council member Carlson to accept the Agenda as presented

Seconded by Council member Hall.

Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.

Planning Commission Report: Ms. Evans was not present to give a report.

Presentation of DRAFT Minutes for the Council meeting of May 18, 2026.

**A motion was made by Council member Sibley to accept the Minutes for the meeting
of May 18, 2026, as presented**

Seconded by Council member Carlson.

Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.

Presentation of Financial Statement for May 2026.

**A motion was made by Council member Wright to accept the May 2026 Financial
Statement as presented**

Seconded by Council member Carlson.

Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.

Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Item(s): There were no citizen comments.

Unfinished Business

Review and vote on establishment of Municipal Court for the Town of North High Shoals. Mr. Reitman, the Town Attorney, will be present to address any questions.

The Council was presented with a Resolution to establish a Municipal Court.

Vote to approve Melissa M. Chapman, Esquire as Municipal Court judge for the Town of North High Shoals.

Vote to approve Juan Irwin for the position of Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of North High Shoals.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson to:

accept the Resolution to establish a Municipal Court as drafted

include the approval of Judge Chapman, Code enforcement Officer Irwin, and Attorney Reitman as Solicitor.

Seconded by Council member Wright.

Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.

Council member Sibley to report on Summer Splash held on June 20th.

Ms. Sibley reported that the Summer Splash event, celebrating the 250th anniversary of the founding of America, was a huge success. Around 200 people attended and enjoyed hot dogs, popcorn, sno cones, snacks, drinks, etc., with a Bouncy house, 2 inflated water slides, games, music, rock painting, removable tattoos, and cheesecake giveaways.

New Business

Jeff Hunnewell – request to place memorial signage in his yard.

Mr. Hunnewell had pictures of the proposed memorial.

A motion was made by Council member Carlson to grant a variance for placement of Mr. Hunnewell's memorial to be placed on his property, approximately 40 ft. from the center line of Gober Rd.

Seconded by Council member Sibley.

Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.

Council tables - Eliminate large cumbersome conference table. Replace it with modular pieces that are foldable and easily stored. Result – expanded space in the Town Hall for events.

A motion was made by Council member Sibley to approve the purchase of the modular pieces for a Council table.

Seconded by Council member Carlson.

Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.

Preliminary review of proposed TSPLOST. It was delivered to the Clerk's office by County Commission Chairman, John Daniell, to be presented to the Council with an expected vote at the July 27th Council meeting.

**A motion was made by Council member Johnson to go ahead and approve the Oconee County TSPLOST 28 agreement
Seconded by Council member Carlson.
Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.**

Proposed budget for FY 2027

**A motion was made by Council member Wright to approve the Proposed Budget for FY 2027 as presented.
Seconded by Council member Carlson.
Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.**

Mayor's Update

The Mayor addressed the following:

**The repair of the edges and paving of Hillsboro Rd. will begin in July.
Work on the ongoing Park drainage issue should begin soon.
The Boy Scouts will be contacted regarding doing some landscaping again this year near the far side of the ballfield.**

**With no further business to transact, a motion was made by Council member Johnson to adjourn the meeting.
Seconded by Council Carlson.
Vote: 5 – 0. Unanimously approved.**

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Goad at 8:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Sue Bishop
Town Clerk**