



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN
OF WALKERTOWN TOWN COUNCIL
JANUARY 22, 2026 @ 7:00 P.M.: WALKERTOWN COMMUNITY BUILDING

Mayor Doc Davis **called the meeting to order** at 7:00 p.m. Present were the Mayor, Council Members Wesley Hutchins, Caroline Jones, Peggy Leight and Anita Moody, Town Manager Scott Snow and Town Clerk Rusty Sawyer.

Also in attendance, Walkertown Middle School Principal Comer.

The Invocation was given by Mayor Davis.
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Peggy Leight.

Doc: I would like to welcome all in attendance tonight to the first Town Council meeting of the new year.
Any additions to the agenda from council? *NO*.

THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED AS WRITTEN BY MOTION MADE BY CAROLINE JONES AND SECONDED BY WESLEY HUTCHINS. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS.
(HUTCHINS, JONES, LEIGHT, MOODY)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- December 18, 2026
- January 8, 2026

THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY MOTION MADE BY ANITA MOODY AND SECONDED BY PEGGY LEIGHT.
(HUTCHINS, JONES, LEIGHT, MOODY)

PUBLIC SESSION

THIS SESSION IS FOR NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS ONLY AND IS LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER. WHEN SPEAKING TO ANY ITEM, PLEASE RESTRICT YOUR REMARKS TO THE SUBJECT AT HAND.

Mayor Davis opens the **Public Session @ 7:03.**

With no speakers coming forward, the Mayor closes the **Public Session @ 7:03.**

BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

1. WALKERTOWN MIDDLE SCHOOL SIGNATURE SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Doc: We are honored to have with us tonight Walkertown Middle School Principal Comer.

Principal Comer: Thank you. It is an honor to be invited. Great things are happening at Walkertown Middle School. We are excited to announce that we have been named a 2025 Signature School by the Piedmont Triad Education Consortium (PTEC). Each year, PTEC recognizes across our region that have

demonstrated excellence and experienced significant improvement in the last year.

SYSTEMS THAT DRIVE SUCCESS

- Clear expectations for both students and staff
- Consistent active monitoring
- Strengthened observation and feedback systems
- Small intervention groups (Pack Time)
- Real-time analysis and response to student data in PLT's
- Advanced teacher roles for classroom coaching

Walkertown is the only middle school in Forsyth County to be named a 2025 Signature School. Growth is measured on a -2, 0, 2 scale. Our growth exceeded expectations to 2.57.

PACK

Pride

- Students taking ownership of learning journey
- Moving beyond compliance to genuine engagement

Achievement

- Growth from starting point, not perfection
- Measurable academic gains with emotional growth

Cooperation

- Students understand collective strength
- Collaborative learning environments

Kindness

- Psychological safety for academic risk-taking
- Foundation for all other learning

Thank you for allowing me to share our story.

Doc: Thank you for the excellent and informative presentation.

2. RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR CONTINUING, COOPERATIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING (WINSTON-SALEM MPO/TPO)

Scott: We have received \$1.3 million for Walkertown projects.

Doc: Scott and Wesley are our representatives.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR CONTINUING, COOPERATIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING (WINSTON-SALEM MPO/TPO)

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS

SECOND: PEGGY LEIGHT

**VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(HUTCHINS, JONES, LEIGHT, MOODY)**

3. PROJECT UPDATES

Scott leads this discussion.

a. **Committee Updates**

- Piedmont Triad Regional Council of Governments – Councilmember Leight
- Winston-Salem Area MPO/TPO – Councilmember Hutchins
- Walkertown Planning Board – January & February meetings cancelled
- Walkertown Historical Marker Committee – First meeting scheduled for February 16th – 4:00 pm in the Community Building Conference Room
- Walkertown Event Planning Committee – Applications for committee membership open until February 9th @ 5 pm

b. **Project Updates**

- **Sullivantown Road & Depot Street Sidewalk Projects** – Final ROW and easement documents have been recorded. Next step is to request ROW certification from NCDOT and request construction authorization.
- **Harley Drive / Main Street Intersection & Ruxton Drive Sidewalk Projects** – MPO approved Preliminary Engineering funding schedule on 1/15/26. Request for Proposals for PE design to be posted next week.
- **Old Hollow Road / Walkertown Commons Traffic Study** - Review of study RFLOs is complete. Working with the highest rated firm to create a project schedule. We anticipate presenting a contract agreement to Council in February.
- **Walkertown Bypass Study** – Request for proposals scheduled to post next week.
- **Council Chamber Microphone System** – Hardware is now back in stock. Contractor awaiting delivery to complete installation.

4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

January, 2026

Doc: We are 7 months into our year or 58% of the year.

All in line and on budget with no department over budget. Revenue is coming in at 37%. Expenses at 27%. Current year property tax at 59%.

We have Unrestricted Funds for November @\$6,563,976.65, Restricted Funds @\$998,697.97 for a Grand Total Fund Balance of \$7,562,674.62.

Any concerns? *No.*

MOTION: TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JANUARY, 2026 AS PRESENTED BY STAFF

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS

SECOND: PEGGY LEIGHT

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

(HUTCHINS, JONES, LEIGHT, MOODY)

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: TO ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING AT 7:45 P.M.

BY: PEGGY LEIGHT

SECOND: WESLEY HUTCHINS

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

(HUTCHINS, JONES, LEIGHT, MOODY)

ANOUNCEMENTS:

No Planning Board Meeting scheduled for February.

Submitted by:

Rusty Sawyer

Town Clerk

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