



**York County
County Council
Minutes
May 18, 2026**

Regular Meeting

**York County Government Center
6 South Congress Street
York, SC 29745**

6:00 PM

Call to Order

Christi Cox, Chairwoman

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairwoman Christi Cox, District 5

Oath of Office for newly appointed Board and Commission Members

Appearances

Public Forum Session (limited to thirty (30) minutes, two (2) minutes per person)

(6:03pm) Frank Jurnak, Fort Mill, South Carolina resident, addressed the Council regarding his opposition to the proposed FY27 budget and his opposition to Silfab Solar operating in Fort Mill.

(6:05pm) Jared Muraco, Fort Mill, South Carolina resident, addressed the Council regarding his opposition to the proposed FY27 budget and his opposition to Silfab Solar operating in Fort Mill.

(6:07pm) Bill Dunlap, Chief of Oakdale Fire Department, addressed the Council regarding his concerns with the proposed FY27 fire budget and stated several initiatives that he was in support of and several that he was not.

(6:09pm) Burt Carey, 124 Charlotte Street, York, South Carolina, addressed the Council regarding his concerns with the proposed FY27 budget.

(6:11pm) Steve Penland, 6457 Campbell Road, Rock Hill, South Carolina, addressed the Council regarding his opposition to QTS operating in York County.

(6:13pm) Carl Faulk, Chief of Newport Fire Department, addressed the Council regarding his concerns with the proposed FY27 fire budget.

(6:14pm) Scott Couchenour, 122 West Oak Street, Fort Mill, South Carolina, addressed the Council regarding his request for an E Bike and electric scooter ordinance and listed numerous

items that he is in favor of that are on the agenda.

(6:17pm) Michael Thornton, 1311 Leland Court, York, South Carolina addressed the Council regarding his concerns with QTS operating in York County, South Carolina.

(6:19pm) Larry Byrd, 375 Starlight Drive, Fort Mill, South Carolina addressed the Council regarding his concerns with the proposed FY27 budget.

(6:22pm) Ron Wathan, 1692 Wedgefield Drive, Rock Hill, South Carolina, addressed the Council regarding his concerns with QTS operating in York County, South Carolina.

(6:23pm) Shawn Donahue, Allison Acres Subdivision addressed the Council regarding his opposition to QTS operating in York County, South Carolina and Mr. Donahue played an audio of QTS construction.

(6:26pm) Julie Ferraro, Vanderlakes Subdivision, addressed the Council regarding her opposition to QTS operating in York County, South Carolina.

(6:28pm) Zack Wilson, address unknown, addressed the Council regarding his opposition to QTS operating in York County, South Carolina.

(6:30pm) Peter Macvean, 907 Lake Club Drive, Rock Hill, South Carolina addressed Council regarding his request to have the 1 mill added back to the fire services budget.

Consent Agenda

(6:32pm) Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

1. Council to approve the minutes from the May 4, 2026 Council meeting.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

2. Rezoning Action: Consider Second Reading

Case # 26-10
Tax Map # Glen Ridge, Steele Meadows, and Sheffield Point communities (see TM# Exhibit)
Zoning Request: Rezone from RMX-20 to RMX-6
Acres:
Council District: 7 - Cloninger
Applicant: York County Council
Owner: See Exhibit

Location: Fort Mill area
Planning Commission Date: April 13, 2026
Staff Recommendation: Approve
PC Recommendation: Approve (7-0)

Executive Summary: This item is a council-initiated request to rezone 184 parcels from RMX-20 to RMX-6. The parcels are within three existing townhome communities within the Fort Mill area, specifically Glen Ridge, Steele Meadows, and Sheffield Point. Staff sent certified letters to all property owners notifying them of the action. This action will have no effect on the manner in which the properties are currently used. However, it will remove their existing nonconforming status. A staff report and analysis with findings has been performed.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

3. Rezoning Action: Consider Second Reading

Case # 26-12
Tax Map # 544-00-00-210
Zoning Request: Rezone from UD to LI
Acres: 0.99
Council District: 6 - Huckabee
Applicant: Ciara Britney Fenton, Kelly Faile
Owner: Zane Allen Fenton
Location: Grayson Road, Rock Hill

Planning Commission Date: April 13, 2026
Staff Recommendation: Approve
PC Recommendation: Approve (7-0)

Executive Summary: The purpose of the request is to build and operate a Machine Shop. The request to rezone from UD to LI is not consistent with the future land use map designation of *Single Family Residential*. However, residential development as indicated by the FLU designation would not be appropriate for this property given its position at the center of a light industrial area. A staff report and analysis with findings has been performed.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

4. Rezoning Action: Consider Second Reading
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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Case # | 26-13 |
| Tax Map # | 313-00-00-002 |
| Zoning Request: | Rezone from RSF-40 to AGC |
| Acres: | 43.18 |
| Council District: | 3 - Adkins |
| Applicant: | Michael and Susan Deckert |
| Owner: | Michael and Susan Deckert |
| Location: | True Road, McConnells |
| Planning Commission Date: | April 13, 2026 |
| Staff Recommendation: | Approve |
| PC Recommendation: | Approve (7-0) |

Executive Summary: The purpose of the request is to permit the construction of a barn to facilitate the use of the property for timberland. The request to rezone from RSF-40 to AGC is consistent with the future land use map designation of Agriculture. The proposed AGC zone will permit the expected land uses, scale, and character of the Agriculture FLU designation. A staff report and analysis with findings has been performed.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

5. Council to approve award regarding Bid #3027 for the purchase of one (1), Ford F550 XLT SD 2026/current production model 4X4, Dual Rear Wheel, Crew Cab, 19,500GVW Transverse Flat Bed Brush Truck for use by the Lesslie Fire Tax District, for a total cost not to exceed \$257,116.22.

Executive Summary: Fire Services is recommending the purchase of this Ford F550 XLT SD 2026/current production model 4X4, Dual Rear Wheel, Crew Cab, for use by the Leslie Fire Department.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

6. Council to authorize contract negotiations regarding RFP #3029 for Inmate Telephone Services for Detention Center.

Executive Summary: The Sheriff's Office is requesting to enter into contract negotiations for inmate telephone services at the Detention Center.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

7. Council to authorize the Sheriff's Office to apply for and accept the Supplemental Allocation for Victims Services (SAVS) Grant

Executive Summary: Council to authorize the Sheriff's Office to apply for and accept, if awarded, a Supplemental Allocation for Victims Services (SAVS) Grant in the amount of \$65,000.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

8. Council to approve a Financial Participation Agreement with SCDOT for the Sam Smith Road sidewalk project.

Executive Summary: In May 2025, York County received a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grant through RFATS for a sidewalk project along Sam Smith Road in the Fort Mill community. The 0.45 mile sidewalk project is estimated to cost \$1,500,000. A 20% match is required and has been allocated from the C-funds of County Council Districts 1 and 7. This agreement outlines the funding for the project and allows SCDOT to move forward with the project.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

9. Council to approve contractual agreement regarding RFP #3020, for the development of York County's Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Master Plan, with Bolton & Menk Inc., of Rock Hill SC, for a total cost not to exceed \$101,750.00.

Executive Summary: The York County Planning and Development Services Department is seeking to develop a Trail Master Plan that will serve as a strategic framework for the creation, enhancement, and management of a comprehensive trail network throughout the unincorporated area of the county, in concert with the existing and planned network of municipalities and surrounding jurisdictions.

The Trail Master Plan will play a pivotal role in developing a multi-use trail system,

accommodating activities for pedestrians and cyclists alike. The plan will facilitate increased access to outdoor recreational opportunities and promote a deeper appreciation of the county's unique landscapes, wildlife, and historical sites. In addition to establishing a trail network for outdoor enthusiasts, the plan will seek to bolster tourism, support local businesses, and stimulate economic growth.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

10. Council to authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept the 2024 Byrne JAG Program from the Dept. of Justice.

Executive Summary: Council to authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept the 2024 Byrne JAG Program from the Dept. of Justice in the amount of \$28,423.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

11. Council to authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept funds from the BJA FY25 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

Executive Summary: Council to authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept the BJA FY25 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program in the amount of \$28,903.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	

RECUSED: None

12. Council to approve the purchase of one (1) each, new, unused, current production model 75 hp track wood chipper to Bobcat of Spartanburg of Spartanburg SC, for the total cost of \$111,467.25, via cooperative purchasing as provisioned by York County's Procurement Code §35.008 (C).

Executive Summary: This 75 hp track wood chipper will be assigned to the Parks Admin Division of the Parks & Recreation Department. Public Works is recommending the purchase of one (1) new, unused 75 hp track wood chipper used by the Parks Admin Division of the Parks & Recreation Department.

Motion to approve

Passed Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0

MOVANT: Tom Audette

SECOND: Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr

AYES: Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger

NAYS: None

ABSENT:

RECUSED: None

13. Council to approve an amendment to an existing planned service contractual agreement for HVAC maintenance services with Johnson Controls Inc. of Charlotte NC, for a new total three year contract amount of \$131,205.00.

Executive Summary: The Public Works Department is requesting Council's approval to amend an existing planned service contractual agreement for HVAC Controls with Johnson Controls Inc. of Charlotte NC, for a new total three year contract amount of \$131,205.00, to reflect change of services.

Motion to approve

Passed Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0

MOVANT: Tom Audette

SECOND: Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr

AYES: Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger

NAYS: None

ABSENT:

RECUSED: None

14. Council to approve award regarding Bid #3034 for York County's Emergency Operations Center Roof Replacement Project, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Owens Roofing Inc. of Smithfield, NC, for a total cost of \$246,652.00.

Executive Summary: The Public Works Department/Facilities Maintenance Department is requesting Council's approval of award for York County's Emergency Operations Center

Roof Replacement Project to Owens Roofing Inc. of Smithfield NC, for a total cost of \$246,652.00.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

15. Council to authorize contract negotiations regarding RFP #3028 for the purchase and installation of audio visual equipment for multiple York County Court Rooms and Conference Rooms.

Executive Summary: The Information Technology Department is requesting to enter into contract negotiations for the purchase and installation of comprehensive audio visual solutions for the Clover Magistrate's Office, the Bond Court at the Moss Justice Center, the Jones Assembly Room at the Family Court Building, the Jury Assembly Room at the Moss Justice Center, and Training Room 3801 and Conference Room 4200 at the Government Center.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

16. Council to approve the purchase of two new, unused Kubota RTVX2C-SKLH-1 utility terrain vehicles for use by the Parks and Recreation Department, via cooperative purchasing from Comer Equipment Company of York SC, for a total cost of \$57,986.18, as provisioned by York County's Procurement Code §35.008 (C).

Executive Summary: These two utility terrain vehicles will be assigned to the Parks & Recreation Department. Parks & Recreation is recommending the purchase of two (2) new, unused utility terrain vehicles used by the Ebenezer Par, Worth Mountain, Nanny's Mountain, and Allison Creek Park of the Parks & Recreation Department.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette

SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

17. Council to approve contractual agreement regarding RFP #3022 for the purchase of a comprehensive Recreation Management Software solution with Kaizen Laboratories Inc., of New York NY, for an initial three year cost of \$106,485.00, with the option to renew for an additional two one year consecutive terms.

Executive Summary: The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting Council's authorization to enter into an agreement for the purchase of a Recreation Management Software solution in its efforts to streamline the various business process workflows throughout the Parks and Recreation Department.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

18. Council to approve the purchase of four livescan systems for use by the Sheriff's Office, from Dataworks Plus of Greenville SC via state contract, for a total cost of \$129,678.00, as provisioned by York County's Procurement Code §35.008 (D) (3).

Executive Summary: The York County Sheriff's Office is respectfully requesting approval for a Purchase Requisition of \$129,678.00 for DataWorks Plus in order to purchase four (4) Dataworks Livescan Systems.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

19. Council to approve the Catawba Memorandum of Understanding and Infrastructure

Agreement for Program year 2026.

Executive Summary: The Catawba Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Infrastructure Funding Agreement (IFA) for Program Year 2026 outlines the roles, responsibilities, and resource commitments of all required and participating partners in the Catawba Region's local workforce development system. This agreement ensures coordination, cost-sharing, and alignment of services across partners at the SC Works centers in Chester, Lancaster, and York counties, supporting the region's goals under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). It promotes efficient service delivery, equitable infrastructure support, and a shared commitment to providing high-quality workforce services to jobseekers and employers.

Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

Public Hearing(s)

Old Business

1. Council to consider SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF YORK COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2026; TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR YORK COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2026; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF TAX REVENUES AND OTHER COUNTY FUNDS; TO ESTABLISH A CONSOLIDATED FEE SCHEDULE FOR ALL EXISTING COUNTY FEES RELATIVE TO THE OPERATION OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT, ITS BOARDS, AGENCIES, AND DEPARTMENTS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

Executive Summary: The FY 27 budget is a financial plan that aligns available resources with strategic priorities. It reflects a balanced approach to maintaining fiscal responsibility by ensuring expenditures do not exceed revenues while investing in long-term sustainability and quality of life for residents.

(6:32pm) Motion to approve

(9:00pm) Motion to approve the main motion.

Passed	Yes 4, No 3, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Tom Audette
SECOND:	Tommy Adkins

AYES:	Tom Audette, Tommy Adkins, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	Andy Litten, William Bump Roddey, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

(6:35pm) Motion to amend and to revert the budget back to the recommended budget prior to first reading.

Failed	Yes 3, No 4, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Andy Litten
SECOND:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
AYES:	Andy Litten, William Bump Roddey, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
NAYS:	Tom Audette, Tommy Adkins, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

(6:39pm) Motion to remove the special counsel attorney funding

Failed	Yes 3, No 4, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Andy Litten
SECOND:	William Bump Roddey
AYES:	Andy Litten, William Bump Roddey, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
NAYS:	Tom Audette, Tommy Adkins, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

(6:47pm) Motion to remove the \$140,000 council discretionary funding.

Motion fails for lack of a second

Failed	Yes , No , Abstained
MOVANT:	Andy Litten
SECOND:	
AYES:	
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	

(6:47pm) Motion to remove the nonprofit agency funding: Catawba Mental Health, \$125,000, Keystone, \$55,750, Board of Disabilities, \$108,050, Council on Aging \$88,750, and Safe Passage, \$100,000.

Motion fails for lack of a second.

Failed	Yes , No , Abstained
MOVANT:	Andy Litten
SECOND:	
AYES:	
NAYS:	

ABSENT:
RECUSED:

(6:49pm) Motion to add the Director of Budget and CFO back into the budget.

Failed **Yes 3, No 4, Abstained 0**

MOVANT: Andy Litten

SECOND: William Bump Roddey

AYES: Andy Litten, William Bump Roddey, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr

NAYS: Tom Audette, Tommy Adkins, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger

ABSENT:

RECUSED: None

(7:13pm) Motion was made by Council member Andy Litten and seconded by Council member William "Bump" Roddey to add the thoroughfare plan for \$150,000 as originally requested by the Planning and Development Department, line item #1100-41912-320.

(7:21pm) After an explanation from the Assistant County Manager, Tom Couch, Council member William "Bump" Roddey withdrew his second

(7:22pm) Council member Watts Huckabee seconds the motion.

(7:23pm) After a brief discussion and an explanation from the Assistant County Manager, Tom Couch, Council member Andy Litten withdrew his motion.

(7:25pm) Motion was made by Council Chair Christi Cox and seconded by Council member Andy Litten to remove \$425,000 as a general fund expense and that the studies for the thoroughfare and the comprehensive plan studies be identified as projects under the reserve fund, one-time funding and that the studies come through Council individually for approval.

(7:30pm) After discussion, Council Chairwoman Christi Cox withdrew her motion.

(7:30pm) Motion to amend the budget to modify the water rate increase back to 6% and back to 10% for sewer rate as requested in the original budget.

Failed **Yes 3, No 4, Abstained 0**

MOVANT: Andy Litten

SECOND: William Bump Roddey

AYES: Andy Litten, William Bump Roddey, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr

NAYS: Tom Audette, Tommy Adkins, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger

ABSENT:

RECUSED: None

(8:03pm) Motion to modify the water rate from 3% to 0% increase and 8% increase for sewer, which will cover the pass-thru rate from the City of Rock Hill.

Passed **Yes 4, No 3, Abstained 0**

MOVANT: Tom Audette

SECOND: Debi Cloninger

AYES: Tom Audette, Tommy Adkins, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger

NAYS: Andy Litten, William Bump Roddey, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr

ABSENT:

RECUSED: None

(8:10pm) Motion to approve the request from Winthrop University and commit to a \$250,000 expenditure out of the Economic Development fund for \$125,000 from FY27 and \$125,000 from FY28 to help fund an Advanced Manufacturing Engineering Degree program.

Failed **Yes 1, No 6, Abstained 0**

MOVANT: Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr

SECOND: Andy Litten

AYES: Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr

NAYS: Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger

ABSENT:

RECUSED: None

(8:21pm) Motion to direct the County Manager and County Attorney to review all options for the County to assist Flint Hill Fire Tax District to offset costs related to HR and payroll functions, with the goal of allowing the tax district to be able to directly fund the 3 needed employees, which were presented as County funded positions at the first reading of the budget.

Passed **Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0**

MOVANT: Debi Cloninger

SECOND: Tom Audette

AYES: Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RECUSED: None

(8:46pm) Motion to direct Management to research and determine if the funds in York County Forever can be used to match the State's Preservation Bank's fund, of up to \$1M for York Place, but if not through York County Forever, then could it be funded through the Economic Development Fund.

Passed **Yes 5, No 2, Abstained 0**

MOVANT: Tommy Adkins

SECOND: Tom Audette

AYES: Tom Audette, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger

NAYS: Andy Litten and Ansel Watts Huckabee, Sr.

ABSENT:

RECUSED: None

(8:58pm) Motion to remove line item 1100-41912-320 in the amount of \$425,000 from the general fund budget and be paid for out of fund balance, \$300,000 for comprehensive plan and \$125,000 for the parks and recreation masterplan.

Passed	Yes 6, No 1, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Christi Cox
SECOND:	Tom Audette
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	William Bump Roddey,
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

Council recessed for a 5-minute break.

New Business

1. Council to approve the purchase of one new, unused, 40' custom mobile command vehicle and associated equipment from LDV Custom Specialty Vehicles of Burlington, WI, for use by Emergency Management from LDV Inc. of Burlington, WI, for a total cost not to exceed \$1,400,000.00 via cooperative purchasing, as provisioned by York County's Procurement Code §35008 (C).

Executive Summary: The Office of Emergency Management is requesting Council's authorization to purchase a custom mobile command vehicle and associated equipment. This vehicle will replace a 2002 Command Post acquired through a federal surplus program. Minimum specifications to ensure reliability and growth provisions were addressed through cross-departmental collaboration. The cab and chassis (Freightliner M2 112 Plus) that have been selected, and market conditions require the County to issue an initial PO and purchase in phases to ensure availability at build time.

(9:09pm) Motion to defer until after the third reading of the budget has passed.

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
SECOND:	Tom Audette
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

2. Council to approve a \$200,000.00 funding increase to an existing purchase order to Palmetto Funeral Operations LLC of Fort Mill, SC for decedent transport services, for a total cost not to exceed \$500,000.00 for FY 2026.

Executive Summary: The Coroner is requesting Council's approval of a \$200,000.00 increase to the current Palmetto Funeral Operations purchase order to provide transport services for decedents.

(9:18pm) Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
SECOND:	Tom Audette
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

3. Council to approve a \$87,500.00 funding increase to an existing purchase order to University Medical Associates of South Carolina for forensic services, for a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for FY 2026.

Executive Summary: The Coroner's Office is requesting Council's approval of an \$87,500.00 increase to the current University Medical Associates of South Carolina purchase order to provide forensics autopsy services, for a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00.

(9:19pm) Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
SECOND:	Tom Audette
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	
RECUSED:	None

4. COUNCIL TO CONSIDER THE ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FY 2027 FUNDING IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$449,695.

Executive Summary: The Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee met on April 1, 2026 and reviewed the applications submitted for accommodation tax grants. The committee's recommendation for the allocation of funding amongst the grant applicants was unanimously voted on and approved by the committee.

(9:21pm) Motion to approve

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr
SECOND:	Andy Litten
AYES:	Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, William Bump Roddey, Christi Cox, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr, Debi Cloninger
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	

RECUSED: None

Committee and Other Reports

Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting, Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 5:00pm Chairwoman Debi Cloninger

Finance & Operations Committee Meeting, Monday, May 18, 2026, 5:30pm Chairman Tom Audette

(9:27pm) Council member Debi Cloninger provided a report.

(9:30pm) Council member Tom Audette provided a report.

Citizen Concerns

Council Member New/Non-agenda Comments

(9:33pm) Council member Tommy Adkins invited everyone to the 40th Annual Memorial Day Ceremony on Sunday, May 24, 2026, at 3:45pm at Veterans Memorial Park.

(9:34pm) Council member Andy Litten requested that the Planning & Zoning Committee review the ordinance on citizens being permitted to live in an RV/Camper. Chairwoman Cox requested that staff pull the current information as it currently stands and provide a report to Council.

(9:36pm) Council member Tom Audette thanked and honored all military personnel that had died in the line of duty.

Executive Session

Receipt of Legal Advice: Litigation Updates

Contractual Matter: Project Palmetto Rock

Personnel Matters/Contractual Matters: County Manager Annual and Clerk to Council Annual Reviews and County Attorney

Matters for consideration following Executive Session

Adjourn

(12:36am) Motion to adjourn

Passed Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0

MOVANT: Tom Audette

SECOND: Andy Litten

AYES: Tom Audette, Andy Litten, Tommy Adkins, Christi Cox, Debi Cloninger

NAYS: None

ABSENT: William Bump Roddey, Ansel Watts Huckabee Sr.

RECUSED: None

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Karen M. Brogdon, Clerk to Council