

October 21, 2025

The Mooresville Town Council met in regular session on October 21, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the Mooresville Government Center.

Council members present were Tom Warthen, Greg Swinney, Jeff Cook, Josh Brown, and Kirk Witt. Attorney Chou-il Lee was also present.

Tom Warthen gave the invocation and called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes from the October 7, 2025, meeting – Councilman Brown motioned to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Councilman Witt. Motion carried 5-0.

Unfinished Business- Builders FirstSource submitted SB-1 for real property tax abatement. Councilman Swinney made a motion to approve Resolution 20-2025, seconded by Councilman Brown. Motion carried 5-0.

Builders FirstSource submitted SB-1 for personal property tax abatement. Councilman Swinney made a motion to approve Resolution 21-2025, seconded by Councilman Brown. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business – Steve Harris, recipient of the READI Grant, came before the Council to express his appreciation for the Town's partnership. He also praised the W. Main Street merchants for their efforts in painting and revitalizing W. Main Street.

FY 2026 Final Budget Adoption Ordinance 9-2025. Council members approved a \$13.9 million budget for fiscal year 2026. Some of the funds will require utilizing reserves to cover shortfalls. Councilman Warthen reported that the deficit spending is intentional and will be used for one-time projects.

Councilman Brown motioned to approve Ordinance 9-2025, seconded by Councilman Swinney.

The Town of Plainfield created the Echo Hollow Park Foundation Board and requested a representative from Mooresville to serve on the board. Mooresville Park Superintendent Phil Cornelius accepted the position and looks forward to serving on the board.

Councilmember Swinney made a motion to approve Phil Cornelius to serve on the board, seconded by Councilman Brown. Motion carried 5-0.

The Community Crossing Grant requires the Town Council to designate an authorized signatory. Since Councilman Warthen was authorized as the Town's signatory at the

beginning of the year, he requested approval for his authorization to sign the Community Crossing Grant.

Greg Swinney nominated Tom Warthen to serve as the signatory for the grant. Seconded by Councilman Witt. Motion carried 5-0

Chief Buckner requested an additional appropriation for the police dispatch Motorola maintenance agreement in the amount of \$10,579.10. Councilman Warthen suggested to the Clerk-Treasurer, Dianna Wamsley, that there is a balance of \$37,638.58 in the Town Hall's maintenance agreement line item. It was agreed to use funds from that line item, pending the Clerk's review to confirm that no portion of those funds is earmarked for other purposes.

Department Head Updates-

Chief Buckner reported that the 2008 van, which had been declared surplus earlier in the year, was sold to the county for \$12,000. He also noted that Kevin Julian started working with LexisNexis to provide public access to crash reports. LexisNexis charges a small transaction fee, and the Town's first payment received was \$230.

A discussion was held regarding changing the elevator maintenance contractor for the Police Department and Government Center. No final decision was made at this time.

Chief Arnes reported that an interview is scheduled for Friday to fill a vacant position. The department will also be giving a local child a ride to school on a fire truck for his sixth birthday.

Parks Department Superintendent Phil Cornelius gave an update on the scheduled Halloween Hike on October 25th from 3-5 P.M. The Pickleball fence will be installed next week, and the restroom facility is 70% complete.

Street Superintendent Brian Moore mentioned that the street department has been working to uncover manhole covers that developers have covered.

Legal Counsel – Discussion was held regarding Senate Bill 95, outlining the framework for public employers to seek reimbursement for costs incurred when a police officer is hired by another department. The bill will take effect on July 1, 2025.


Public Comments- A concern was raised regarding the potential strain on the well water supply for the Pioneer Circle area, with the new development west of town. It was noted that the town does not own a water utility. Attorney Lee shared his email address to provide information and the application process for voluntary annexation.

Approval of Claims- A motion to approve the payment of claims for \$1,088,219.25 was made by Councilman Swinney, seconded by Councilman Brown. Motion carried 5-0.

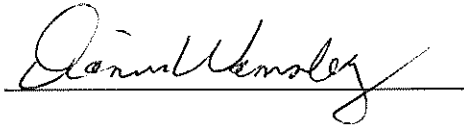
Approval of Payroll Clearing- A motion to approve the payment of payroll clearing for \$220,954.78 was made by Councilman Swinney, seconded by Councilman Brown. Motion carried 5-0.

The next meeting of the Mooresville Town Council will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the Mooresville Government Center.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Brown with a second from Councilman Witt. Motion carried 5-0.



Tom Warthen, President



Dianna Wamsley, Clerk-Treasurer