



**MINUTES
WATAUGA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER,
7105 WHITLEY ROAD,
MONDAY, MAY 11, 2026
6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Arthur Miner called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The meeting was convened with the following members present:

Arthur L. Miner
Cris Blackburn
Pat Shelbourne
Lovie Downey
Andrew Neal
Stephen Welch
Mark Taylor
Jan Hill

Mayor
Mayor Pro Tem Place 2
Council Member Place 1
Council Member Place 3
Council Member Place 4
Council Member Place 5
Council Member Place 6
Council Member Place 7

and

Sandra Gibson
Linda Proskey
Randy Barkley
Paul Hackelman
James Lewis
Jennifer Calvert
Timothy Hamilton
Julie Rodriguez
Lana Ewell

City Manager
City Secretary
Asst. City Manager/Fire Chief
Asst. City Manager/Public Works Director
Police Chief
Finance Director
Parks Director
Human Resources/Civil Service Director
Library Director

INVOCATION

Deacon Darryl Sapp Victory Tabernacle Church gave the invocation

4. Update on Capp Smith Food Truck Park schematic designs

Timothy Hamilton presented an update on the Food Truck Park project. The project is currently in the schematic design phase, with preliminary cost estimates and designs are being developed and boring location exhibit to understand soil conditions. The proposed design includes five food truck stalls, an artificial turf seating area, a comfort station, pedestrian lighting, site furnishings, a concession stand, and a small performance pavilion intended for acoustic performances such as jazz trios. Artificial turf was selected due to the high volume of foot traffic, which would make maintaining natural grass difficult. The design also incorporates accent block seating and movable seating that can be stored in the concession stand.

The approximately 1,200-square-foot comfort station will include four stalls in each restroom and will open toward the splash pad area. Neutral earth tones are planned for the exterior finishes. Utility hookups for water and power will be located outside the food truck stalls and in the turf area to reduce vehicle interference and minimize noise. The estimated construction cost is approximately \$2,575,150. Due to the project's cost and the desire to provide long-term value, planning is focused on long-term benefits rather than immediate impacts.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no request for public comment

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ACTION ITEMS

There was no request for public testimony

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Consider action on approval of the Quarterly Investment Report for the period ending March 31, 2026**
- 2. Consider action on approval of the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending March 31, 2026.**
- 3. Consider action on approval of the March 9, 2026 Regular City Council meeting minutes**
- 4. Consider action on approval of an update to the Library Patron Behavior Policy.**
- 5. Consider action to approve the purchase and installation of new playground equipment at Park Vista Park with Parkscape Texas, not to exceed \$203,325**
- 6. Consider action to declare the items shown on the May 2026 Surplus List as surplus personal property assets of the city approved for sale or disposition**

With no further discussion Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Ayes: Shelbourne, Blackburn, Downey, Neal, Welch, Taylor, Hill

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Discuss and consider the amendments to the Council Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct Manual

Mayor Arthur Miner presented the item and noted that council members had been provided with an advanced copy of the proposed revisions, including redlined changes and information regarding an additional travel training session. During discussion, it was noted that boards and commissions should follow the same rules and procedures as the City Council. Annual training is provided to board and commission members to review council procedures, attendance requirements, and compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act (TOMA).

Mayor Miner called for a Motion. Councilmember Downey made a motion to approve as presented. Councilmember Hill seconded the motion

With no further discussion Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Ayes: Shelbourne, Blackburn, Downey, Neal, Welch, Taylor, Hill

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

3. Discuss and consider action to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem per the City of Watauga Home Rule Charter

Councilmember Hill nominated Councilmember Taylor as Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Miner called for a Motion. Councilmember Downey made a motion to approve as presented. Councilmember Shelbourne seconded the motion

With no further discussion Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Ayes: Shelbourne, Blackburn, Downey, Neal, Welch, Taylor, Hill

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

4. Consider action to adopt a resolution of the City of Watauga, Texas renewing its membership in the Tarrant County Home Investment Partnership Block Grant

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Miner adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Approved: this 20 day of June, 2026

Signed: this 25 day of June, 2026

APPROVED:

/s/ Arthur L. Miner

Arthur L. Miner, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/ Linda Proskey

Linda Proskey, City Secretary

