

MINUTES FOR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
May 12th, 2026
6:00 PM

The following elected officials were present: Mayor Beaty, Alderman Blythe, Alderman Withers, Alderman Martin, and Alderman Cloninger.

The following Staff members were present: Jonathan Newton, Town Manager; Robbie Walls, Police Chief; Lindsey Tysinger, Town Clerk; Bill Trudnak, Public Works Director; Zack Foreman, Assistant Public Works Director; Kristin Boone, Finance Director; Stuart Valzonis, Planning Director; Brittany Beam, Planner; Willie Smith, Electric Director; Matt Kanupp, Assistant Fire Chief; Dustin Haney, and Captain Fleming.

Mayor Beaty called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Mayor Beaty opened with the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mayor Beaty announced a few events coming up, parks and recreation Movies in the Park at Cloninger Park is May 16th, and on May 25th there is a Memorial Day Dedication to Veterans event.

Approval of Agenda:

Alderman Withers made a motion to approve the agenda as amended with additions of item 5B – Budget Amendment – Powell Bill Additional Expenses, Alderman Milton spoke on adding items of putting a dedicated marker at Jagers Park for C F Gingles, and a discussion on data centers. Staff made aware that the marker was already started and determined the data centers could be discussed at the upcoming work session, seconded by Alderman Martin and carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Alderman Blythe motioned to approve the minutes from the April 14 Regular Meeting, and April 28 Work Session Minutes, seconded by Alderman Martin and carried unanimously.

Recognition of Citizens:

Glenn Bratton, Dallas Resident, spoke of his concerns within the Dallas Police Department and the Town of Dallas.

Mike Fields, Dallas Resident, thanked the Board and Staff for their hard work.

Curtis Wilson, Dallas Resident, Prayed over Town.

Mayor Beaty read the Proclamation - Peace Officers Memorial Day and National Police Week and Alderman Blythe read the Proclamation - National Public Works Week. (**Attachment 1 & 2**)

Consent Agenda:

5A – Written Off Accounts

5B – Budget Amendment – Powell Bill Additional Expenses

Alderman Cloninger made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Martin, and carried unanimously.

New Business:

8A - Set Public Hearing - Z-2025-06 Certificate of Sufficiency

Alderman Martin made a motion to set the Public Hearing at a Special Meeting on June 17th at 6:00pm., seconded by Alderman Blythe, and carried unanimously.

8B - Set Public Hearing - Rezoning – Z-2025-06 Evans Lake/Dallas Stanley Hwy

Alderman Martin made a motion to set the Public Hearing at a Special Meeting on June 17th at 6:00pm., seconded by Alderman Cloninger, and carried unanimously.

8C - Set Public Hearing – 2026-2027 Proposed Fiscal Year Budget and Fee Schedule

Alderman Blythe made a motion to set the Public Hearing for the 2026-2027 Proposed Fiscal Year Budget for June 9th, seconded by Alderman Milton, and carried unanimously.

Managers’ Report – Town Manager Jonathan Newton, made aware that staff is still working on getting microphones. There is a lineman rodeo on May 21st at 8am that we are hosting.

Mayor Beaty encouraged citizens to read about and educate themselves on the levy tax house bill.

Adjourn:

Alderman Martin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Blythe and carried unanimously (6:34).

Hayley Beaty, Mayor

Lindsey Tysinger, Town Clerk

Proclamation

Peace Officers Memorial Day and National Police Week 2026

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers across our nation courageously dedicate their lives to the protection of our communities, upholding justice, maintaining order, and ensuring the safety of all citizens across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Dallas Police Department; and

WHEREAS, more than ever, our nation depends upon local law enforcement as our first line of defense, and it is important for the citizens of Dallas and Gaston County to know and understand the duties, responsibilities, and challenges of our law enforcement officers and agencies; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of those agencies give of themselves day in and day out to preserve our homeland security; and we applaud them for recognizing their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting people against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 26,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and died in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of their dedication and sacrifice, the United States Congress, through a joint resolution approved on October 1, 1962 (Public Law 87-726), designated May 15th of each year as “**Peace Officers Memorial Day**” and the calendar week in which May 15 falls as “**National Police Week**” and has directed that flags be flown at half-staff on “**Police Officers Memorial Day**”, under Public Law 103-322, as amended; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Town of Dallas formally recognize **May 11-16, 2026, as National Police Week** and **May 15, 2026, as Police Officers Memorial Day**, in Dallas, North Carolina, and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

Adopted this the 12th day of May, 2026.

Attested By:

Hayley Beaty, Mayor

Lindsey Tysinger, Town Clerk

(SEAL)

Proclamation For National Public Works Week 2026
“Rooted in Service, Powered by Community”

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities, and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to public health, high quality of life, and well-being of the people of Town of Dallas; and

WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities, and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers, and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation’s transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in the Town of Dallas to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks the 66th annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Town of Dallas do hereby designate the week of May 17–23, 2026, as National Public Works Week. I urge all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events, and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers, and employees, and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and advancing quality of life for all.

Adopted this the 12th day of May, 2026

Attested By:

Hayley Beaty, Mayor

Lindsey Tysinger, Town Clerk

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