

Town of Pollocksville
Regular Meeting
August 11, 2026

Present: James V. Bender, Jr. – Mayor

Guest List: Attached

Ellis Banks – Commissioner
Maria Robles – Commissioner
Vic Bryan – Commissioner
Nancy Barbee - Commissioner

Toni Floyd – Town Clerk
Maria Overman – Asst. Town Clerk

- I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Declaration of a Quorum
The Board of Commissioners for the Town of Pollocksville held its regular schedule meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at the Pollocksville Town Hall. The meeting was open to public attendance as well as participation via Zoom. Mayor Bender called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. With four Commissioners present, we had a quorum.
- II. Introduction of New Business
None
- III. Approval/Adoption of Final Agenda
Commissioner Banks made the motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Bryan seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- IV. Public Comment
None
- V. Approval of Minutes of July 14, 2026 and July 21, 2026 Meeting (reconvened meeting)
Commissioner Barbee made a motion to approve the minutes with a second from Commissioner Robles. All were in favor.
- VI. Presentations to the Board
 - A. Trail Life Troop – Pollocksville Baptist Church – Life Jacket Station-Members of the Trail Life Troop introduced themselves, along with their parents. Erected as a tool to help prevent childhood fatalities on the water during the summer months. Members of the Craven County Childhood Fatality Task Force donated the jackets. There are adult and child sizes available, and all jackets must meet Coast Guard requirements.
 - B. Other?
- VII. Action Items
 - A. Recommendation of Award – Fourth Street Drainage Project: We were permitted to do private solicitations due to not receiving any bids from traditional bid avenues. The \$248,110 Jones & Smith Construction Co. bid will be modified to fit our budget, with the extra funding coming from Powell Bill funds. Commissioner Robles asked if the plans addressed all the concerns. Mayor Bender stated that the Board was not approving a plan, only the contract documents. Commissioner Robles asked if we could cancel the bid if the requested work is not included. She

is not comfortable awarding the bid if the contract does not include the requested work/changes. Mayor Bender will make McDavid Associates aware that the Board is not comfortable awarding the contract until they see the plans. He will invite Rich Moore to speak at our next meeting.

- B. FEMA-BRIC Contract Amendments-N/A
- C. Other ? None

VIII. Reports

A. Mayor's Report – Mayor Bender:

- 2. OSBM: Still waiting to purchase truck,
- 3. Radar sign on Beaufort Road is still not working.
- 4. BRIC: Extended until July 2027. Mobilization will occur on or before the 30th of this month. Carter and Meadows projects are first. Contract amendments are needed, but they are not completed yet. Mayor Bender called for meeting on the 25th to approve the completed contracts.
- 5. Waiting on UNC Contract for Regionalization
- 6. Everything is working at the water plant. Still waiting to see if we can pay for purchased water from grant.
- 7. Minor violations noted at WWTP, some related to old lagoon. Concerns have been addressed. Close to moving to Phase 2 of project. Waiting on state to fund property acquirement.
- 8. Reminder: Congressman Murphy will be here at 10:30 on Friday.
- 9. Barnett working on releasing CDBG-NR funds
- 10. No new people have filed for election to a town board position
- 11. Mayor attended municipal meeting, invited to participate in Rural Listening Session with DEQ, IT, and Revenue. He was the only mayor in attendance. Presentation by Duke to Filling Station for \$25000.
- 12. Board invited to dedication of Revolutionary War Plaques at Court House.
- 13. Sept 17 Jones County Committee of 100 meeting
- 14. The Filling Station is asking to close White Street from 9-3 on Nov 7th for Perfect 10. Motion Vic, Maria all in favor
- 15. No communication from county regarding dog incidents
- 16. Discussion of past issues with police department.

B. Department of Public Works – Todd Meadows and J.J. Chadwick:

- 1. Water and Wastewater projects updates: No big updates
- 2. Other? Trying to keep up with mowing

C. Town Clerk/Finance Office – Toni Floyd

- 1. Check Register, BVA, Cash Report
- 2. Budget Amendments for approval-None
- 3. Other? Talked about NC Cash

D. Beautification/Economic Development

- 1.

E. Planning and Zoning – Mayor Bender:

- 2. Update from Andy Thomas, Code Enforcement Officer-Presented to Board
- 3. Burned house is getting worse by the day. Do not know the current status of the foreclosure. Will soon send a letter to the bank about cleaning the property with a \$100 per day penalty
- 4. Still waiting on updates to Nuisance Ordinance

F. Attorney-David Baxter

1. None

IX. Unfinished Business

A.

X. New Business

A.

XI. Public Comment

XII. Closed Session – if necessary

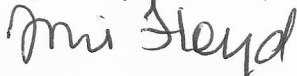
XIII. Announcements

The next meeting will be at 7:00 on September 8, 2026.

XIV. Adjournment

Commissioner Banks made a motion to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Robles. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Toni Floyd, Town Clerk

Approval Date 9/8/2026