



**Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 10, 2026
6:00 PM- Town Hall Commissioners Room**

Call to Order- Mayor Tony Lapish
Invocation- Pastor John Brantly from Boger Reformed Church
Pledge of Allegiance- Mayor Tony Lapish

1. Public Forum

(Please state name, address and limit comments to 3 minutes or less)

2. Conflict of Interest

The Mayor and Commissioners are asked at this time to reveal if they have a Conflict of Interest with any item on the Agenda in order to be recused for that item.

(No member shall be excused from voting except upon matters involving the consideration of the member's own financial interest or official conduct or on matters on which the member is prohibited from voting under G.S. 14-234 or 160D-109(a). NC State Statute 160A-75 and no public official shall knowingly participate in making or administering a contract, including the award of money in the form of a grant, loan, or other appropriation, with any nonprofit with which that public official is associated. NC State Statute 14-234.3)

3. Approve Agenda (Pages 1-2)

4. Consent Agenda (Pages 3-10)

- A. Minutes February 10, 2026 (pages 3-8)
- B. Minutes February 17, 2026 Special Called Meeting (pages 9-10)

5. Staff Reports (Pages 11-39)

- A. Town Manager-Randy Holloway (page 11)
- B. Town Asst. Manager- Planning & Economic Development Director - Erin Burris (pages 12-18)
- C. Town Clerk/Finance Officer - Amy Schueneman (includes Project Cost updates pages 19-20)
- D. Human Resources/Events- Crystal Smith (page 21)
- E. Code Enforcement - Jim Sells (pages 22-27)
- F. Public Works- Derek Linker (page 28)
- G. Fire Department-Dustin Sneed (page 29)
- H. Cabarrus County Sheriff's Department (pages 30-39)

6. Presentation

A. Fire Chief Dustin Sneed –Retirement of Firefighter Jeff Cook (*postponed from February 10, 2026*)

B. FY 25/26 Audit Presentation by Tony Brewer, CPA

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7. New Business (Pages 40-53)

A. Theater Presentation/CVB Request (page 40)

B. Consider adopting the Parade Safety Policy (pages 41-53)

8. Old Business (Page 54-55)

A. Receive update on the status of (page 54):

- Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall Project
- Water Distribution Improvements Project
- Water Treatment Plant Renovation Project

B. Receive update from the meeting with Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners Budget Workshop concerning the Rural Fire Tax Rate. (page 55)

9. Adjournment

All agenda items and attachments are considered public records.

If you would like a copy of the Agenda Packet, which includes all documents related to the Board meeting, please visit <https://mtpleasantnc.gov> and look under the Government Tab to see the packet, agenda, and prior Board Minutes

Closed Session minutes are unavailable until released by the Board and/or the Town Attorney.

**Budget Workshop will be held
Saturday, March 21st 8am-12pm
in the conference room of Town Hall.**



NORTH CAROLINA

**Board of Commissioners
Town Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.**

Attendance: Mayor Tony Lapish
Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Lori Furr
Commissioner Steven Dixon
Commissioner Liz Poole
Commissioner Mike Steiner (absent)
Commissioner Justin Simpson
Town Administrator Randy Holloway
Town Attorney John Scarbrough
Town Clerk Amy Schueneman

Also Present: Crystal Smith, Erin Burris, Ally Schueneman, Pastor David Snow, John Estep, Allen James, Ginger Moore, George & Evonne Caudill, and Deputy T Beverly.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tony Lapish called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Pastor David Snow of Community Church of Mount Pleasant led the Board in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Lapish led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Forum

Evonne Caudill of E. Franklin St. spoke of the positive experience with State Utility Contractors as the waterline was installed in front of her home and wanted to let the Board know how cooperative the workers have been.

2. Conflict of Interest

The Mayor and Commissioners are asked at this time to reveal if they have a Conflict of Interest with any item on the Agenda in order to be recused for that item.

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No one had a conflict of interest.

3. Approve Agenda

Mayor Lapish postponed item #6. Presentation-A. Fire Chief Dustin Sneed –Retirement of Firefighter Jeff Cook to March 10th

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A motion to approve the amended Agenda was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes January 13, 2026
- B. Budget Amendment #13 LKC Engineering Amendment #2 Water Project
- C. Budget Amendment #14 Purchase FD-2026 Chevy Truck Minutes December 9, 2025

Commissioner Furr made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with a second by Commissioner Dixon. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

5. Staff Reports

- A. Town Manager- Randy Holloway
- B. Town Asst. Manager- Planning & Economic Development Director – Erin Burris
Ms. Burris mentioned the launch of the Avett Theater website (avetttheater.org) and the start of the fund-raising campaign. It is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. It will host music and performing arts. The theater and its restoration is part of the 2017 Comprehensive Plan. Hopefully, someone will come to the March meeting to inform the Board of what is happening with the theater project.
- C. Town Clerk/Finance Officer - Amy Schueneman
- D. Human Resources/Events- Crystal Smith
- E. Code Enforcement/Grant Writer- Jim Sells
- F. Public Works- Daniel Crowell
- G. Fire Department-Dustin Sneed
- H. Cabarrus County Sheriff's Department

6. Presentation (POSTPONED until March 10, 2026)

- A. Fire Chief Dustin Sneed –Retirement of Firefighter Jeff Cook

7. Public Hearings

A. ANX 2026-01 & REZ 2026-01 Yost Property

Ms. Burris introduced the request for the Yost Property located at 5623, 5641, 5605 NC Hwy. 49 N, consisting of 4.06 acres, to be annexed and rezoned by the Town. Highlights from the packet were discussed. The detailed packet is located in the Minute Book.

A motion to open the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

Ginger Moore of Carlos Moore Architects from Concord stated she had been working for a year and a half with Ms. Yost on this project. A year ago, Ms. Moore was in the Town Hall Conference Room waiting for a meeting to start and noticed the Zoning Map and the long-range plan which showed it was already there. Ms. Moore discussed it with Ms. Yost and if it fit with the long-range plan for this project. There are 3 parcels of connected land with the counseling center going on the back parcel. The center will use the current drive to the Law Office. The design and location of the building will provide the feeling of privacy along with the calming connection of nature. Ms. Yost would like to be a part of Mount Pleasant and look forward to working with the Town.

A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Poole. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

A motion to approve the requested noncontiguous annexation was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

A motion to approve and find consistent (for the rezoning) was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

B. ANX 2026-02 James Property

Ms. Burris presented the packet for the annexation of 39.03 acres located at 2260 Mt. Pleasant Rd. S. on behalf of Charles A. James Properties, LLC. The detailed packet is located in the Minute Book.

A motion to open the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Dixon. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

No one spoke during the Public Hearing.

A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

A motion to approve the requested noncontiguous annexation of 2026-02 was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

C. TA 2026-01 Contractors Offices and Shops in AG Zoning District

Ms. Burris stated that the text amendment and the following rezoning request are related but separate since one needed to go before the other. Mr. John Estep is asking for an amendment to Section 4.6 (Table 4.6-1) to permit Contractors Shops and Contractors Offices in the Agricultural (AG) zoning district as a special use. This means that either a Special Use Permit or a Conditional Zoning district would be required to permit a Contractor Shop or Contractor in the AG district. These uses are not currently permitted in the AG district. A presentation of the changes to Section 4.6 (Table 4.6-1) was explained to the Board and questions were answered. The detailed packet is located in the Minute Book.

A motion to open the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Dixon. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

Mr. John Estep stated that he has been looking for years to find a piece of property that would allow a building for his electrical business in the Mount Pleasant area. The property being discussed will be used for material storage and a place to meet at the start and end of each workday. Neighbors that he spoke with have not been against the business being there.

A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Poole. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

A motion to approve the amendments and find consistent with the Comprehensive Plan was made by Commissioner Dixon with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

D. REZ 2026-02 Estep Electrical

Erin Burris stated Mr. Estep would like to rezone the 17.78 acres at 9950 Foil Road from Residential Low Density (RL) to Conditional Zoning Agricultural (CZ AG). The packet was presented to the Board. A copy of the packet is in the Minute Book.

A motion to open the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

No one spoke during the Public Hearing.

A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

A motion to approve and consistent was made by Commissioner Pool with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

8. Old Business

A. Receive update on the status of:

Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall Project

Erin Burris reported on Wednesday, January 28, the Town held its monthly project meeting with Elite Infrastructure to receive updates on the Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall project.

Here is a summary of the work that has been completed since last month and work that is currently underway. The Town has been providing the information it has been given by contractors and engineers working on the project:

- All sewer line installations have been completed. All sewer lines have been tested.
- Waiting on as-built plans to complete tie-ins and flow inversion for NCDEQ approval to remove Summer Street Pump Station and Pasture Pump Station. Pasture Pump Station inversion will be completed first.
- Native grass mix has been provided by Catawba Lands Conservancy to complete restoration at Buffalo Creek Preserve.
- Gates for easement to be installed week of February 9.
- Substantial completion is expected at end of February or beginning of March.
- Restoration and punch list items identified by WSACC and inspectors to be completed.

Water Distribution Improvements Project

The Town held its monthly project update with contract engineers and utility contractors for the waterline project on Wednesday, January 28. The Town has been providing the information it has been given by contractors, engineers, and NCDOT. This is a complex project in which field conditions can result in delays and alterations in work and schedules. Thank you for your continued patience during this once-in-a-lifetime project installing 4 miles of waterline for the backbone of the Town's water distribution system to improve water quality and fire flow, as recommended in the 2007 Water and Sewer Master Plan.

- **N. Main Street** (including Crestwood and Cook Street)
On N. Main Street between North Drive and Hwy. 73 (Franklin Street), waterline installation, pressure testing, certification, and tie-ins are complete, and the line is active. Flowable fill and asphalt patch are complete. Final restoration of impacted sidewalk, curb, and pavement will be completed upon installation of all lines.
- **S. Main Street**
Waterline installation on S. Main Street between Hwy. 73 (Franklin St.) and Lee Street is complete, pressure tested, and certified. Flowable fill and asphalt patch are complete. This week tie-ins to Lee Street and Barringer Drive were scheduled for the first week of February. This caused service interruptions of 3-5 hours for customers on Lee Street, Barringer Drive, and the Oldenburg subdivision. Final restoration of impacted sidewalk, curb, and pavement will be completed upon installation of all lines.
- **Hwy. 49**
Waterline installation on Hwy. 49 between N. Main Street and Hwy. 73 is complete and pressure tested. Certification has been completed. Service tie-ins were completed this week. Sidewalk restoration has been completed.

- **E. Franklin Street (Hwy. 73)**
In early September 2025, a crew began working on installation of the new 12-inch waterline on E. Franklin Street from Main Street to Blueberry Street. Main waterline installation has been completed. Asphalt patch was completed during the week of January 19, ahead of the ice storm. Testing and tie-ins are scheduled through February.
- **W. Franklin Street (Hwy. 73)**
Waterline installation on W. Franklin Street between Halifax Street and Main Street is complete, pressure tested, and certified. During the week of January 19 crews completed service tie-ins for each customer along W. Franklin St. On January 29 and January 30, crews started tie-ins for side streets at Halifax, Summer, Hillside, and College Streets. This resulted in service interruptions on S. Halifax Street, Summer Street, Hillside Drive, New Street, Ludwig Street, Ridge Avenue, S. College Street and a portion of N. College Street for 3-5 hours for each of the four tie-ins. This week the tie-ins for Skyland Drive, Page Street, and Eagle Street are scheduled, which will also result in service interruptions for customers located on those streets for 3-5 hours. Flowable fill was installed in the trench between Halifax Street and College Street. As required by NCDOT, the trench was filled with ABC stone and fabric between College Street and Main Street. The winter weather delayed completion of asphalt patch. The contractor is waiting on temperatures above 40 degrees for a couple of days and for NCDOT to authorize completion of the asphalt patch. As soon as this is done, the road can be reopened.

When all is completed, NC DOT will mill Main St. and Franklin St., then repave. Another positive outcome of the waterline project is it will bring 3,000gpm around the Town Square which will allow the Avett Theater enough flow for a sprinkler system that requires a minimum of 2,000gpm. Before the new 12" waterline was installed the flow was just 800gpm.

Water Treatment Plant Renovation Project

Randy Holloway informed the Board that the Town should be ready to bring the plant back online next week. The initial testing is very promising. Next steps are:

- Monday- Utility Services will come in and sanitize the ground storage tank, clearwell, and Foil St. tank. Once sanitized, water has to be placed in the tanks within 24 hours.
- Tuesday- Harper Construction, who did the pipes and pumps, will come back to help bring the pumps back online and fill the tanks.
- Wednesday- City of Concord agreed to send a team to help the Town take samples for the BAC test from all storage tanks to test for bacteria. If it comes back free of bacteria, the results will be sent to NC DEQ for a 12 hour turn around to get approval to start up the plant.
- Friday- The plant could be back online after being down since July 2025.

The Town is very appreciative of the City of Concord for allowing the Town to purchase water from them at a discounted rate. The Town could not have completed this without their cooperation.

The Powder Activate Carbon (PAC) System and new well are still awaiting permitting by NC DEQ. One division of DEQ is handling the PAC permitting while another is handling the well permit. Because each division is not communicating with each other, both permits are delayed. The Town Engineer is trying to get everyone on the same page to get quick approval for both the PAC system and the new well permits.

The January water testing results (water tested was from the City of Concord) were well below the acceptable limit, but because the 12-month rolling average is still above the limit, letters will be mailed out again in the February water bills. In addition, because the Town's July 2025 numbers were high, Staff will have to do another mailing in May since the 12-month rolling average will still be above normal. Hopefully, the notice in April will be the last mailing.

9. Adjournment

Town Clerk reminded Board Members of the Budget Workshop which will be held Saturday, March 21st 8am-12pm in the conference room of Town Hall.

Commissioner Poole reminded the Board and audience that the Mt. Pleasant Library Literary Festival will be held on March 19-21.

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Furr made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

By our signatures, the following minutes were approved as submitted on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 in the Regular Meeting.

Town Clerk Amy Schueneman

Mayor Tony Lapis



NORTH CAROLINA

**Board of Commissioners
Special Called Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 6:00 P.M.**

Attendance: Mayor Tony Lapish
Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Lori Furr
Commissioner Steven Dixon
Commissioner Liz Poole
Commissioner Mike Steiner (absent)
Commissioner Justin Simpson
Town Administrator Randy Holloway
Town Attorney John Scarbrough
Town Clerk Amy Schueneman

Also Present: Erin Burris, Fire Chief Dustin Sneed, Deputy Chief Austin McDonald, Scott O'Loughlin, Lt. Jerry Taylor, John & Dana Hilfirty, and 1 unknown.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tony Lapish called the meeting to order.

Discuss possible increase of Rural Fire Tax Rate

Fire Chief Dustin Sneed and Deputy Chief Austin McDonald presented a PowerPoint presentation (*included in the Minute Book*) to the Board requesting a .02¢ increase to the Rural Fire Tax Rate for FY26/27. The reason for the increase would be to set aside funds in a Capital Reserve account for future fire station #2 on Walker Road and the apparatus that will be needed. The Fire Chief would also like to increase firefighter wages by \$1.00 an hour.

Randy Holloway explained to the Board to keep the amount paid by Rural and Town residents equitable, if there is a .02¢ increase to the Rural Fire Tax Rate, it is only fair to increase the Town Tax Rate by the same amount. A chart displaying both Rural and Town Tax Rates from FY13/14 until present was provided to show the stability of the tax rates over the years. Also, Mr. Holloway stated that no one received raises since the Pay Study 2 years ago and the preliminary discussion was to increase all salaries by 2.5%, which would be approximately .50¢ for firefighters. In fairness to all staff, if a \$1.00 increase (roughly 5%) was given to the firefighters, it should also apply to Town Staff: Public Works, Water Treatment Plant, and Town Hall staff.

The Board discussed a possible .01¢ versus .02¢ increase and the financial effect on the residents. This discussion is opposite of the Towns' normal budgeting process because Cabarrus County moved their workshop up due to the \$13 million shortfall. Normally, the Budget workshop in March would take place prior to notifying the County of a request for a possible increase in tax rates.

The consensus of the Board was to go ahead and ask Cabarrus County for the .02¢ increase to the Rural Tax Rate with the option to lower it after the Budget Workshop.

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A motion to request a .02¢ increase in the Rural Fire Tax Rate was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

Adjournment

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Furr made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Steiner absent)

By our signatures, the following minutes were approved as submitted on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 in the Regular Meeting.

Amy Schueneman, Town Clerk

Mayor Tony Lapis

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Town Board

From: Randy Holloway, Town Manager

Date: March 10, 2026

RE: Manager's report for February 2026

Please find listed below an update / overview for the month of February 2026

- Continued working with Staff, Graver Engineering and NCDEQ to keep the PAC project plans moving forward. The PAC building power is on and Morgan Well is planning to install the well the week of March 9th. The floating curtain for the lagoon is on order. We hope to have the PAC system permitted and running by mid-to-late April.
- Continued working with Staff to begin bringing the water treatment plant back online. The Plant should be back online by March 5th.
- Continued working with Staff, LKC and State Utility to review and approve items for change orders for the water line and sewer project to keep the projects moving forward. The Assistant Manager has a comprehensive update to her monthly report.
- Continued worked with Staff to keep the State funded sidewalk project and the North Washington Drive projects moving forward.
- Continued working with Staff to keep the proposed Town parking lot behind Buddy's restaurant moving forward.
- Worked with Staff to begin the FY26/27 budget process.
- Participated in the monthly water and sewer project update meetings.
- Attended the monthly WSACC meeting.
- Worked with the Fire Chief to prepare for a meeting with Cabarrus County to discuss increasing the rural fire tax and the possibility of co-locating Cabarrus County Squad 410 at Mount Pleasant Fire Department.



To: Mayor & Board of Commissioners
From: Erin Burris, AICP, Assistant Town Manager & Planning Director
Date: March 10, 2026
Re: Monthly Update for Planning, Economic Development, & Infrastructure Projects

Active Planning & Zoning Cases

TA 2026-01 & REZ 2026-02 ESTEP ELECTRICAL

Description: Applicant requests text amendment to permit Contractors Offices and Contractors Shops in the Agricultural (AG) zoning district as special uses. Applicant also requests to rezone property with existing single-family residential home and 6,200sf shop building to Conditional Zoning Agricultural (CZ AG) to permit single-family residential, contractor shop, and agriculture on the property.

Location: 9950 Foil Road

Cabarrus PIN: 5670-89-4187

Current Zoning: RL Residential Low Density

Proposed Zoning: CZ AG Conditional Zoning Agricultural

Area: 17.78 acres

Current Status: Planning & Zoning Board recommended approval at January 29 meeting. Town Board voted to approve at February 10 meeting.

ANX 2026-02 JAMES PROPERTY VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION REQUEST

Description: Property owner requests non-contiguous voluntary annexation of property into the Town limits.

Location: 2260 Mt. Pleasant Rd. S.

Cabarrus PIN: 5579-08-4903

Current Zoning: Town of Mount Pleasant RL Residential Low Density

Proposed Zoning: No zoning change proposed

Area: 36.03 acres

Current Status: Town Board voted to approve at February 10 meeting.

ANX 2026-01, REZ 2026-01, & SITE 2026-01 YOST PROPERTY VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION REQUEST

Description: Property owner requests non-contiguous voluntary annexation of property into the Town limits. Parallel request to zone property Conditional Zoning Office & Institutional (CZ OI) for existing office use, existing single-family residential, and one additional professional office building. Preliminary site plan provided with zoning district request.

Location: 5623, 5641, & 5605 NC Hwy. 49 N

Cabarrus PIN: 5650-82-0012, 5650-81-1884, 5650-71-9774

Current Zoning: Cabarrus County Office & Institutional Special Use (OI-SU) and Countryside Residential (CR)

Proposed Zoning: Conditional Zoning Office & Institutional (CZ OI)

Area: 4.06 acres

Current Status: Planning & Zoning Board recommended approval at January 29 meeting. Town Board voted to approve at February 10 meeting.

SUB 2026-01 PLEASANT SPRINGS SUBDIVISION (& REZ 2026-03)

Description: Proposed major subdivision preliminary plat for 89 lot single-family residential subdivision. Property was initially annexed into the Town limits in 2019 and zoned RH and C-2. Applicant proposes rezoning 7.3 acres of C-2 zoning to RH zoning.

Location: 5122 & 5130 NC Highway 49 N (near intersection of Hwy. 49 and Cold Springs Rd.)

Cabarrus PIN: 5660-34-5579

Current Zoning: RH Residential High Density (approx. 31.5 acres) & C-2 General Commercial (approx. 7.3 acres)

Proposed Zoning: Request to rezone 7.34 acres of C-2 to RH. All other zoning to remain the same

Area: 38.8 acres

Proposed Density: 2.3 dwelling units per acre

Estimated Sewer Capacity Usage: 20,025 gpd (Town Board approval required for allocation)

Current Status: Technical Review Committee reviewed proposed plat and provided comments. Waiting on revised plat submittal. Will be scheduled for Planning & Zoning Board review following completion of revisions.

SUB 2025-01 N. MAIN STREET INFILL SUBDIVISION (revised)

Description: Preliminary plat for proposed 17-lot infill subdivision on N. Main Street.

Location: 816 N. Main Street

Cabarrus PINs: 5670-16-6055 & 5670-15-7981

Current Zoning: RM Residential Medium Density

Area: 7.90 acres

Proposed Density: 2.15 dwelling units per acre

Estimated Sewer Capacity Usage: 3,825 gpd

Current Status: First submittal of Preliminary Plat reviewed by Technical Review Committee (TRC). Comments provided to engineer April 7, 2025. Revised plan received January 5, 2026 and is under review by TRC. Has not been scheduled for Planning & Zoning Board review.

SITE 2025-01 HARRIS MUSTANG SUPPLY

Description: Request construct a 12,000 square foot building with office, retail, and warehouse space

Location: 6705 NC Highway 49 N

Cabarrus PIN: 5660-34-5579

Zoning: CZ I-1 Light Industrial

Area: 4.93 acres

Estimated Sewer Capacity Usage: 0 gpd (project to utilize well and septic)

Current Status: Construction underway.

SITE 2024-01 UWHARRIE BANK

Description: Construction of new approximately 6,000sf bank building

Location: 8320 W. Franklin St.

Cabarrus County Parcel Number(s): 5670-13-6357

Current Zoning: CC Center City

Area: 3.707 acres (approximately 1 acre portion of site to be used)

Estimated Sewer Capacity Usage: existing tap for previous building

Current Status: Construction underway.

SUB 2020-03 BRIGHTON PARK

Description: 178-lot single-family subdivision with community clubhouse and pool. Plans for development of this property were originally initiated in 2008.

Applicant: Niblock Homes

Location: Southwest corner of NC Highway 73 and NC Highway 49

Cabarrus County Parcel Number: 5660-56-4096, 6785, 8647, & 9681

Zoning: RM Residential Medium Density

Area: 86.77 acres

Density: 2.05 dwelling units per acre

Estimated Sewer Capacity Usage: 28,560gpd for first three phases and 14,160gpd for last two phases (42,720gpd total, allocated in development agreement 6/17/2022)

Current Status: Phase 1 Final Plat (58 lots) recorded. Bonded improvements are being completed. Zoning Permits being issued (16 issued to date, 41 remaining in Phase 1).

SUB 2017-01 GREEN ACRES

Description: 37-lot single-family subdivision. Plans for development of this property were originally initiated in 2008.

Location: NC Highway 73 at Green Acres Circle

Cabarrus County Parcel Number(s): 5651-70-6355

Zoning: RM CZ Conditional Residential Medium Density

Area: 14.92 acres

Density: 2.28 dwelling units per acre

Estimated Sewer Capacity Usage: 8,880gpd (allocated in development agreement 7/12/2022)

Current Status: Final Plat recorded. Bonded improvements are being completed. Zoning Permits being issued (all 37 zoning permits issued)

Code of Ordinances

During Fiscal Year 25-26, codification and updates to Part 4 Public Works and Part 6 Licensing and Regulation will be completed.

WSACC Sewer Treatment Capacity Allocation

The WSACC Wastewater Capacity Distribution #1 Memo dated July 22, 2025 shows that Mount Pleasant has a total of 133,438gpd of allocation. Distribution #14 added 9,574 gpd to Mount Pleasant's allocation. The Town's updated sewer allocation spreadsheet shows 38,700gpd of pending non-strategic reserve and 8,308gpd of strategic reserve remaining to be allocated through the 30MGD Rocky River Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant (RRWWTP) expansion. Allocation expires after two years, if developments have not moved forward with construction plans. WSACC flow acceptance expires after two years following construction plan approval.

Permits

February 2026 permit list attached at end of report.

Infrastructure Projects

Information on all infrastructure projects is provided on the Town's project website at <https://mpncfuture.com/>

Below is a summary of project descriptions, overall schedule, funding sources, and status from the website:

WATER DISTRIBUTION IMPROVEMENTS (12-INCH WATER MAINS) – NEARING COMPLETION

- **Project Description:** This project will replace old 6-inch water lines (most installed in 1937) with new 12-inch water mains along Main Street (North Drive to Lee Street), Franklin Street (Skyland Drive to Blueberry Street), Cook Street (Main Street to N. Washington Street), and Highway 49 (Main Street to Highway 73 interchange). This is a total of approximately 4 miles of waterline. This project will improve both water quality and fire flow throughout the Town. Click [here](#) to view the proposed improvements map.
- **Schedule:** This project began February 10, 2025 with substantial completion by the end of the year.
- **Funding Source:** \$9,988,029 State Budget allocation from federal ARPA funds
- **Status:** Nearing completion-Approximately 95% complete. Information about road closures and service interruptions will be posted on social media. Latest update can be viewed at: <https://mpncfuture.com/Dev/ID/1053/Waterline-Project-Monthly-Update--February-26-2026>

LOWER ADAMS CREEK SEWER OUTFALL – COMPLETE (ONLY PUNCHLIST ITEMS REMAINING)

- **Project Description:** This project was originally planned to be completed by the Water and Sewer Authority of Cabarrus County (WSACC) in 2009. The project never came to fruition, so the Town is picking up the project where it left off. This project will retire the Summer Street and Pasture pump stations. Click [here](#) to view the proposed Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall map. Click [here](#) to see a composite map of all proposed sewer improvements.
- **Schedule:** This project began March 3, 2025 with completion by March 2026.
- **Funding Source:** \$5,822,971 State Budget allocation from federal ARPA funds
- **Status:** Complete. Latest update can be viewed at: <https://mpncfuture.com/Dev/ID/1054/Lower-Adams-Creek-Sewer-Outfall-Project-Monthly-Update-February-26-2026>

WATER INTAKE & TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS – NEARING COMPLETION

- **Project Description:** The Town worked with the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) and three different consulting engineers to determine the necessary water intake and treatment upgrades and changes to improve drinking water quality and bring disinfection byproduct levels into compliance. All internal components and filter media the Water Treatment Plant are being replaced, a new Powder Activated Carbon (PAC) system is being installed, and the ground storage tank will be cleaned and coated and have new pipes and pumps installed. The Town plans to utilize a well to feed the PAC system and supplement the water from Dutch Buffalo Creek.
- **Schedule:** Recommendations from engineering firms were provided in February 2025. The implementation and installation of improvements began March 2025. The water treatment plant will be shut down to complete water treatment plant, PAC, and ground storage improvements August through December of 2025. Water will be purchased from the City of Concord during this time.
- **Funding Source:** Approximately \$1,600,000 total cost utilizing \$1,000,000 State Budget allocation (redirected by technical correction in state budget from S. Skyland Drive/Allman Road extension water lines). Approximately \$600,000 to be used from Water/Sewer fund balance. Additional funding is being pursued to complete needed improvements.
- **Status:** Nearing Completion-Approximately 98% complete. Water Treatment Plant, ground storage, and clear well upgrades and testing have been completed. Water Treatment Plant started producing water the week of March 4. Powder Activated Carbon (PAC) system building has been constructed and system has been set up. NCDEQ has approved well location. Well to be drilled second week of March. Waiting on final

NCDEQ approval of engineering for PAC integration, following well installation. PAC system should be active by spring.

N. WASHINGTON STREET SIDEWALK – ENGINEERING COMPLETE

- **Project Description:** The Town adopted an NCDOT-funded Pedestrian Project Acceleration Plan in 2020 and has been pursuing funding to complete priority sidewalk segments since that time. The first sidewalk project will complete 900 feet of sidewalk, curb & gutter on the southern end of N. Washington St. between Park Drive and E. Franklin Street. This also includes a new stormwater culvert and slightly wider travel lanes. Phase 2 on S. Washington Street is not included in this project.
[N. Washington Street cut-sheet excerpt from Project Acceleration Plan](#)
- **Schedule:** Engineering is complete. Final approvals are underway. Right-of-way acquisition to begin in March 2026. The project is expected to go to bid in spring of 2026 with construction to begin mid-year.
- **Funding Source:** In the state's 2023 budget, \$2.7 million was directed to the Town of Mount Pleasant to complete priority sidewalk segments.
- **Status:** Volkert Engineering has completed engineering plans. Engineer is preparing right-of-way acquisition exhibits.

FRANKLIN STREET SIDEWALKS - IN PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

- **Project Description:** The Town adopted an NCDOT-funded Pedestrian Project Acceleration Plan in 2020 and has been pursuing funding to complete priority sidewalk segments since that time. There were three segments identified on Franklin Street: Duchess Drive to Halifax Street, Halifax Street to Main Street, and Main Street to Blueberry Street. The Town worked with NCDOT to design a project for one or more of these segments to stay within available funds. Click here for excerpts from the Project Acceleration Plan. Each segment is being evaluated for feasibility with available funds.
[Franklin Street \(Duchess Drive to Halifax Street\) cut-sheet from Project Acceleration Plan](#)
[Franklin Street \(Halifax Street to Main Street\) cut-sheet from Project Acceleration Plan](#)
[Franklin Street \(Main Street to Blueberry Street\) cut-sheet from Project Acceleration Plan](#)
After getting cost estimates from NCDOT, it was determined that only the E. Franklin Street section of sidewalk, curb & gutter between Main Street and Blueberry Street could be completed with available funding. This segment was chosen because it will also be able to correct several stormwater issues along the corridor.
- **Schedule:** NCDOT provided a timeline that shows completion of E. Franklin Street sidewalk during 2029. There is currently no funding source identified for completion of sidewalk on W. Franklin Street.
- **Funding Source:** Estimated project cost-\$3.2 million. Funding from remainder of \$2.7 million state directed grant (after completion of N. Washington Street) as min. 20% match with federal CMAQ/CRP grant funding. A grant deadline extension has been requested in order to complete the E. Franklin Street sidewalk project.
- **Status:** Staff is currently working with NCDOT to design and administer sidewalk, curb & gutter improvements on E. Franklin Street, which will also help with stormwater issues in that area and can be coordinated with the Downtown Stormwater project.

DOWNTOWN SOUTHWEST QUADRANT PARKING – IN ENGINEERING

- **Project Description:** The Town's Comprehensive Plan, adopted in 2017 and updated in 2025 includes a strategy to improve downtown parking. McAdams Engineering prepared a conceptual parking plan for the southwest quadrant of downtown which will provide approximately 160 parking spaces when complete.
[Downtown Southwest Quadrant Parking Conceptual Plan](#)
- **Schedule:** Project engineering is scheduled to begin in November 2025 with estimated completion of Phase 1 parking by the end of 2026. Completion of other phases depends on cost estimates.
- **Funding Source:** Town General Fund (cost estimate being prepared)

- **Status:** Engineering is underway. Preliminary plan is under revision.

DOWNTOWN STORMWATER MITIGATION & UTILITY DUCT BANK - IN ENGINEERING / GRANT APPLICATION

- **Project Description:** Since Hurricane Florence in 2018, the Town has been working with NCDOT, Duke Energy, Windstream, Spectrum and contract engineers to implement necessary improvements to the Downtown stormwater system and place overhead utilities into underground duct bank. In 2020, the Town received a federal grant to study the stormwater issues in downtown and to update the Mount Pleasant National Register Historic District documentation in an effort to protect historic buildings. Following the completion of the study, it was determined that stormwater inlets and conveyances in downtown were undersized. The utility duct bank installation was an identified strategy in both the 2017 Comprehensive Plan and the update of the plan adopted in 2025 in order to achieve the goal to "cultivate a vibrant and attractive downtown atmosphere that residents and visitors enjoy while enhancing community character through the preservation of historic resources." The project involves the installation of properly sized inlets and conveyances along N. Main Street, W. Franklin Street, beside and behind the Old Barringer Motors building, and under Barringer Drive as well as the installation of underground utility duct bank within one block each direction of the Square (intersection of Highway 73 and Main Street).
[Downtown Stormwater Study Existing Conditions](#) [Utility Duct Bank Schematic](#)
[Comprehensive Plan Illustration](#)
- **Schedule:** The project had originally been scheduled to run concurrently with the waterline project. However, the FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC) grant program, which the project had been selected for, was cancelled in April of 2025 by the current federal administration. Click [here](#) to view article about cancellation. The Town is now attempting to apply for a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Fund Grant through the NC Department of Public Safety while the state of North Carolina is pursuing the reinstatement of the BRIC grant through the courts. This pushes the original timeline back approximately four years, with an estimated completion date of 2029, if the Town is able to secure funding. The Town will attempt to work with NCDOT to complete the portion of the project that is located within the state right-of-way concurrently with the E. Franklin Street sidewalk project. The Town will attempt to complete the portions not within the state right-of-way concurrently with the downtown southwest quadrant parking lot project in 2026.
- **Funding Source:** Total cost estimate - \$5.44 million. Town pursuing Hazard Mitigation Fund Program (HMFP) grant. 2022 FEMA BRIC grant cancelled (however State Attorney General's office recently won lawsuit in federal court to reinstate funding-waiting on how this might affect project).
- **Status:** Staff submitted the Hazard Mitigation Grant application packet to the North Carolina Department of Public Safety for initial review on December 15. Department of Public Safety sent a request for information. Staff submitted additional information in mid-February and is waiting to hear back.

February 2026 Zoning Permits

Permit #	Date	Cab. Co. #	Add. #	Street Name	Town/ETJ	Type	Permit Description	Applicant	Notes
Z-2026-10	2/3/2026	5560-56-7535	527	Oleander St.	Town	New	Single-family home	Niblock Homes	Brighton Park
Z-2026-11	2/3/2026	5650-79-8923	5435	Arnold Way	Town	New	Single-family home	Smith Douglas Homes	Green Acres
Z-2026-12	2/11/2026	5660-46-4828	6823	Glen Abbey Lane	Town	New	Single-family home	Niblock Homes	Brighton Park
Z-2026-13	2/11/2026	5560-56-1652	7105	Hallmark Lane	Town	New	Single-family home	Niblock Homes	Brighton Park
Z-2026-14	2/11/2026	5550-79-7943	5447	Arnold Way	Town	New	Single-family home	Smith Douglas Homes	Green Acres
Z-2026-15	2/19/2026	5560-56-3972	6932	Glen Abbey Lane	Town	New	Single-family home	Niblock Homes	Brighton Park
Z-2026-16	2/19/2026	5560-60-7671	2708	Tabitha Lane	ETJ	New	Single-family home	Danielle Nickal	

7 Zoning Permits

Financial Report as of February 28, 2026

	<u>Bank Acct Name</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>General Fund Accts</u>	General Checking	\$91,262.46
	General Fund MM at First Bank	\$348,686.36
	General Fund MM (NCCMT)	\$1,952,457.57
	General Fund 42% MM at First Bank	\$3,356.22
	General Fund 42% MM (NCCMT)	\$1,319,311.51
	Façade Grant	\$26,133.15
	Park Development (Uwharrie)	\$1,226.40
	Payroll Checking	\$80,742.74
	Powell Bill	\$101,806.34
	Retiree Insurance	\$2,580.68
Retiree Insurance (NCCMT)	\$26,176.81	
Water/Sewer accts	WS Checking	\$145,868.68
	WS Money Market	\$57,586.92
	WS Money Market (NCCMT)	\$1,034.94
	Debt Setoff (NCCMT)	\$1,137.47
	Dredging Fund (Uwharrie)	\$304.18
	USDA- Debt Service Reserve Fund (DSRF)	\$5,000.22
	USDA- (DSRF)Payment Reserve (NCCMT)	\$406,817.60
	USDA- (SLARF) Short Lived Asset Rep (NCC	\$128,112.80
Capital Reserve Accts	Infrastructure & Streets	\$48,977.55
	Police Vehicles	\$24,164.13
Capital Projects	CMAQ Capital Project	\$127,631.31
	USDA Capital Project	\$142,825.68
	State Funded-Sewer Project	\$198,357.91
	State Funded Water Projects	\$83,535.67
	USDA (Uwharrie-Loan funds-savings)	\$496,622.79
	State Grant-WTP Grant	\$88,882.42
	State Grant- \$100,000 capital/equipment	\$99,162.25
	State Grant- \$2.7M for Sidewalks	\$122,225.24
	State Grant- \$2.7M for Sidewalks(NCCMT)	\$2,555,696.60
	Downtown Storm Drainage Improvement	\$2,500.27
Parking Lot- S Main Cap Proj	\$3,001.30	
Fire Dept.	Fire & Rescue Relief Fund	\$2,500.33
	Fire & Rescue Relief Fund (NCCMT)	\$52,064.68
	FD-Radio Capital Reserves	\$11,569.74
	FD Capital Reserve -Vehicles	\$21,017.72
	TOTAL	\$8,780,338.64

FY2024-2025		General Fund			
	APPROVED	MONTH	YEAR	REMAINING	PERCENT
	FY2025-2026	TO DATE	TO DATE		
		(Encumbered)			
Revenues	\$3,253,572.00		\$2,673,793.69	\$579,778.31	82%
Expenditures	\$3,253,572.00	\$58,200.58	\$1,915,504.58	\$1,338,067.42	61%
FY2024-2025		Water Sewer Fund			
	APPROVED	MONTH	YEAR	REMAINING	PERCENT
	FY2025-2026	TO DATE	TO DATE		
		(Encumbered)			
Revenues	\$2,309,549.00		\$1,302,388.34	\$1,007,160.66	56%
Expenditures	\$2,309,549.00	\$41,012.50	\$1,731,083.57	\$578,465.43	77%

**TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT
COMPARISON BUDGET VS ACTUAL -February 2026**

	CURRENT BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Town Hall	114,973.00	84,424.21	30,548.79	73%
Governing Body	40,068.00	24,239.78	15,828.22	60%
Admin	338,259.00	191,899.26	146,359.74	57%
Planning & Zoning	122,556.00	75,645.30	46,910.70	62%
	<u>615,856.00</u>	<u>376,208.55</u>	<u>239,647.45</u>	61%
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Law Enforcement	247,339.00	123,635.14	123,703.86	50%
Fire Department	1,258,662.00	730,740.26	527,921.74	58%
	<u>1,506,001.00</u>	<u>854,375.40</u>	<u>651,625.60</u>	57%
PUBLIC WORKS				
Operations Center	61,840.00	41,959.82	19,880.18	68%
Streets	240,029.00	56,244.87	183,784.13	23%
Sanitation	173,586.00	98,940.48	74,645.52	57%
Buildings & Grounds	95,475.00	59,358.30	36,116.70	62%
	<u>570,930.00</u>	<u>256,503.47</u>	<u>314,426.53</u>	45%
CULTURE/REC	<u>94,571.00</u>	<u>57,701.80</u>	<u>36,869.20</u>	61%
DEBT SERVICE				
Debt Service Principal	230,543.00	171,064.65	59,478.35	74%
Debt Service Interest	109,032.00	84,914.71	24,117.29	78%
	<u>339,575.00</u>	<u>255,979.36</u>	<u>83,595.64</u>	75%
TOTAL	3,126,933.00	988,353.00	1,326,164.42	
WATER/SEWER				
Admin	947,247.00	398,389.02	548,857.98	42%
Operations Center	24,140.00	\$ 16,083.72	8,056.28	67%
Water	210,280.00	132,844.20	77,435.80	63%
Sewer	441,279.00	267,071.61	174,207.39	61%
Water Treatment Plant	438,177.00	278,852.83	159,324.17	64%
	<u>2,061,123.00</u>	<u>1,093,241.38</u>	<u>967,881.62</u>	53%
DEBT SERVICE				
Debt Service Principal	109,671.00	9,467.52	100,203.48	9%
Debt Service Interest	138,753.00	3,661.08	135,091.92	3%
	<u>248,424.00</u>	<u>13,128.60</u>	<u>235,295.40</u>	5%
TOTAL	2,309,547.00	1,119,498.58	1,190,048.42	
COMBINED	5,436,480.00	2,107,851.58	3,328,628.42	



Date: March 2, 2026
To: Mayor and Town Board of Commissioners
From: Crystal Smith, Human Resources Director / Events Coordinator

CWS

Listed below are activities for the month of February 2026

General Business:

- Attended February Town Board meeting
- Attended EDC Communication Committee Monthly Meeting
- Attended Department Budget Meetings
- Worked with Town Manager, Assistant Manager, and Finance Officer on Salary increase projections, forecasting department line-item amounts, and started working on budget presentation

Customer Service Area:

- Generated 1325 bills (which includes 613 ebills) totaling \$127,590.68
- Seventeen (7) customers were disconnected for non-payment.
- Bill reminder notification to customers on Constant Contact: 262 customers received either email/text notification.
- Lead Line Survey Update: We will be discussing Phase 2 of this project at the budget workshop. As a reminder, 120 Water is the company we have been working with on this project and there was no cost to the Town.
- Update on installation of meters at Brighton Park and Green Acres Subdivisions:
 - Brighton Park – 8 homes have been sold.
 - Green Acres – 30 homes have sold (out of 37 homes being built).

Human Resources Area:

- Participated in Zoom webinar hosted by Civic Fellows Alumni Association
- Participated in NCLM ADA Website Compliance webinar. We will be discussing information from webinar at Budget workshop. The Town has until April 2027 to make our website(s) ADA Compliant.

Events Area:

- Work has started on 2026 Events:
 - Independence Parade & Celebration – Saturday, June 27, 2025
 - Parade @ 5 pm
 - DJ @ Town Hall Park following the Parade @6 pm
 - Featured Band this year: The Tonez (The Tonez are an 8-piece band dedicated to keeping crowds dancing to a mix of Motown, Rock, Disco, Funk, R&B, and Beach music.
- Fall Festival 2026 – Saturday, October 3, 10am - 3:30pm
- Christmas Market/Parade/Tree Lighting – Saturday December 5
 - Market – Plans TBD
 - Parade @ 3:30pm
 - Tree Lighting @ 5:30pm

CODE ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Monthly Report: January 2026

Case Status

New Cases	14
Cases Cleared	13
Monitoring	0
Referred	2

New Cases

Case #	Location	Reference	Status
026-013-EM	n/a	County request for Town Emergency Plans	C
026-014-C	7913 W. Franklin Street	Debris	O
026-015-EM	Emergency Fuel Supply	Recommendation for developing a budgetary item for an emergency fuel supply for the Town.	O
026-016-C	1074 North College Street	Complaint regarding residential use of an unpermitted driveway resulting in mud being tracked onto Historic Hill Drive. Residence has a “wrap around” concrete drive.	O
026-017-C	9250 Historic Hill Drive	Commercial vehicle parked in front of a residence in residential neighborhood.	O
026-018-C	1761 Gamon McGuire	This was an old case that is still open involving an illegal manufactured home. Based on aerial photography, the unit has been removed and the case closed.	C
026-019-C	6411 Aarnold Way – Green Acres	Illegal flag sign. Sign has been removed.	C
026-020-C	400 Dutch Road	Refrigerator left beside roadway with doors still attached. Unit has been removed.	C
026-021-G	NCDEQ Dam Grant	Review of a potential grant for dam rehabilitation for the Dutch Buffalo Creek Dam. This grant has previously been reviewed. The Town cannot participate since the dam is not classified as a high hazard. The Black Run Creek Dam is not eligible due to no damage during Hurricane Helene.	C
026-022-EM	Black Run Creek Dam Plan.	The plan was submitted and a review received. No change of ownership when the dam was purchased from WSACC	O

		was on file with the State. This application is being submitted. Several grammatical changes were required, and the Inundation Study did not attach the original plan due to size. These items will be corrected and re-submitted.	
026-023-C	1220 Summer Street	Complaint involving a “cut antennae wire”. Referred to Zoning Director.	C
026-024-C	1765 Garmon McGuire Road	Illegal Burn. Area is in the ETJ and referred to the Cabarrus County Fire Marshal’s Department.	C

DAILY OPERATIONS SUMMARY

Action	Number
Code Enforcement	15
Emergency Management	8
Golf Cart Inspection	1
Grants	3
Investigation	0
Meeting	1
Other	3
Recheck	14
Sign Sweep (30 signs)	0
Training	0
TOTAL	45

Daily Work Log

MONTH

February 2026

Day	Address	Case #	Code	Notes
02	City Wide	n/a	EM	Monitored streets for accumulation. Assisted with a stranded motorist. Town Hall Closed.
03	1550 South Main Street	025-085-CPI	C	Reviewed case and drafted a Civil Citation for livestock on the property.
03	Monthly Report	----	O	Completed monthly report for February 2026 and submitted.
03	Thank you for MPMC	026-026-EM	EM	Developed a Thank You for Mount Pleasant Methodist Church for assistance during the snowstorm.
05	9115 E. Franklin Street	025-157-C	C	LOI for debris (concrete) staged beside the roadway at this address. The trash bags have been removed.
05	1725 Short Street	026-001-C	C	NOV for an RV parked beside the resident without a tag. Owner is attempting to obtain a tag.
05	Computer grant for FD	026-025-C	G	Reviewed a grant through the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition Built For Life Program and submitted to Fire, and Town Managers. Deadline for application was March 02, 2026. No response –
05	1550 South Main Street	025-085-CPI	C	Issued the Civil Citation to the owner.
05	Laptop Grant	026-025-C	G	Researched information regarding 5 laptops for the Fire Department. Information forwarded to Town Manager and Assistant Town Manager for review.
05	Request for Town Emergency Plans	026-013-EM	EM	Cabarrus County requested a copy of all Town Emergency Plans. Sent copies via email
09	8530 Walnut Street	025-021-C	R	Spoke with the Town Engineer regarding the rip rap at this location partially blocking the culvert and adding to flooding in the area during heavy rain. He reviewed photographs and indicated this should be addressed.
09	8327 West Franklin Street	025-013-C	R	The property had added an addition to the parking lot without striping. An application was received for the addition, but no permit approved. Sent information to Planning Director for recommendation on how the Town wishes to proceed.

09	1550 South Main Street	025-085-C	R	Spoke with the owner regarding the CPI and arrange a meeting at the property to verify the livestock has been removed.
10	Public Works Facility	026-015-EM	M	Met at Public Works to discuss emergency fuel supply.
10	1074 North College St.	026-016-C	C	Illegal parking. Property has a wrap around drive but parking in the front yard resulting in mud being spread onto Historic Hills Drive.
10	9250 Historic Hill Drive	026-017-C	C	Commercial parked on residential property.
12	1550 South Main Street	025-085-C	R	Met with the owner at the property and found the livestock (2xgoats) have been removed. Owner still has to pay the Civil Penalty.
12	1761 Garmon-McGuire Road	026-018-C	C	Received a complaint regarding debris. Researched previous cases and found several open cases. 1761 Garmon-McGuire Road had a previous case (GM-1761) opened on 09/12/2019. The manufactured home is visible in aerial photographs at that time but was removed based on 2023 aerial photography. The property does have a new structure which appears to have been constructed without a permit. Closed case GM-1761 and will evaluate the property along with remain properties based on observations.
13	1550 South Main Street	025-085-CPI	C	Received payment of the Civil Penalty associated with 025-085-C. Closed cases: (025-085-C and 025-085-CPI).
16	8338 Fisher Road	025-018-C	R	Closed the case due to inability to contact the owner. Opening a new case to maintain continuity and try different avenues. CLOSED
16	Garmon-McGuire Road	Monitoring case	C	Reviewed the properties along Garmon-McGuire Road. At least five previous cases were found. Three of which are still open: Z17-01 (2016 and 2018), GM 1758 (2019), GM1765 (2019), and GM 1751 (Opened a new case and closed this one as manufactured home was removed). Case 023-026-C was opened in 2023 and referred to Cabarrus County Sheriff's Department regarding animal cruelty. Developed a summary of the possible violations on multiple properties and sent to the Zoning Director for review. Also discussed this with the Town Manager. These properties are in the ETJ.
17	Parade Safety Policy	025-163-EM	EM	Received reviews of the policy, compiled and submitted for presentation at the March 2026 Board Meeting.

17	8912 East Franklin Street	025-161-GCI	GCI	Received payment. CLOSED
17	8424 Hwy 49, North	025-174-C	R	Large political sign in the ROW violating municipal ordinances. Sign was removed. CLOSED
17	5411 Arnold Way	026-019-C	C	Feather sign at entrance to subdivision.
17	Annual mowing PSA	n/a	O	Developed a PSA on annual yard maintenance requirement for newsletter.
20	9115 East Franklin St.	025-157-C	R	Concrete is still staged beside street. Allowing additional time due to water line work in front of the property. OPEN
19	1074 N. College Street	026-016-C	R	The vehicle was not parked in front of the property. CLOSED. Will continue to monitor.
19	1725 Short Street	026-001-C	R	The RV is still on site. Left message with owner. OPEN
19	400 Dutch Road	025-020-C	C	Refrigerator set beside road for pick-up with doors still attached. Sent LOI.
23	1725 Short Street	025-142-C	R	Spoke with the owner and will allow until 03/06 for the vehicle to be moved or a tag obtained. OPEN
23	5411 Arnold Way	026-019-C	R	Sign has been removed. CLOSED
23	Gas Grills	n/a	C	Question about the use of gas grills in Oldenburg.
23	Parade Permit	025-163-EM	EM	Updated parade permit.
23	Black Run Creek Plan	026-022-EM	EM	Closed 025-151-C the review. Submitted the Black Run Creek Dam EAP to NCDEQ for review.
23	NCDEQ Dam Grant	026-021-G	G	Reviewed Grant for rehabilitation of a dam. Town was not eligible. Dam must be high hazard and/or damaged by Hurricane Helene. CLOSED
24	Black Run Creek Plan	025-022-EM	EM	Submitted the list of properties within the inundation study to Cabarrus County for their Alert System. CLOSED
24	Emergency Fuel Supply	026-015-EM	EM	Reviewed requirements for locating 500 gallon above ground storage tanks for emergency fuel. Requested a quote from Propst Brothers. Forwarded a recommendation to Town Manager regarding the tanks. OPEN
24	1220 Summer Street	026-023-C	C	Complaint of someone cutting an antenna at this location. Complainant stated Town Staff or contractors. Forwarded to Assistant Town Manager. CLOSED.

25	1765 Garmon McGuire Road.	025-023-C	C	Complaint about an illegal burn. Checked with the Fire Department and referred to Cabarrus County Fire Marshal. CLOSED
25	Filing	n/a	O	Caught up on case files.
25	9250 Historic Hill Drive	016-017-C	R	Commercial vehicle was not parked at the property. Will continue to monitor. CLOSED.
25	400 Dutch Road	026-020-C	R	Refrigerator has been removed. CLOSED
25	8912 E. Franklin St.	025-061-GCI	GCI	CLOSED
25	8424 Hwy 40, N	025-174-C	R	Sign was removed. CLOSED
25	1337 Hillside Dr.	025-153-C	R	Weeds appear to be under control. Will monitor due to it being winter. CLOSED

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Town Board

From: Derek Linker, Public Works

Date: March 10, 2026

Please find listed below an update / overview for the month of February, 2026

New:

- Completed monthly meter reads
- Water Cut-Offs
- Responded to 1 pump station alarm calls
- Responded to 4 after hour customer calls
- Picked up 10 dump truck loads of brush which equals 120 cubic yards of brush
- Completed work orders for various issues
- Installed more water meters in Green Acres developments
- Assisted State Utilities in locating & turning valves for tie ins on side streets on West Franklin St. so they could reopen the road
- Bolted down & assembled the Pak System
- Assisted with various tasks with getting the water plant back online

Ongoing:

- Public works mows and maintains approximately 18 acres each week to biweekly depending on conditions as well as ground maintenance at all 7 of our sewer pump stations
- 7 pump stations are checked once a week which includes a visit to each station checking dialer status and recording run times. Alarm floats are pulled and checked and stations cleaned monthly in accordance to NC DWQ standards
- Weekly Chlorine monitoring is done on Mondays & Fridays and consists of pulling samples from 3 different test sites
- Due to the volume of brush/yard debris collection typically takes 1 to 1.5 days of the week especially during leaf season

Mayor and Commissioner's,

- In February we responded to 105 calls for service.
- Chief McDonald and I attended our initial budget meeting with town hall staff.
- I attended the Cabarrus County budget workshop, and everyone seemed to be receptive of our requests.
- Engine 19 (Smeal engine) is currently in Charlotte having emissions and engine repairs completed. We are currently riding our reserve engine.
- No other major mechanical issues to report.
- As always thank you for your continued support!

Dustin Sneed
Fire Chief
Mt. Pleasant Fire Dept.

Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office

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Law Calls for Service

12/01/2025 - 02/28/2026

		Dec-2025	Jan-2026	Feb-2026
DISPATCHED	Total	67	50	43
	ALL ANIMAL CONTROL CALLS	3	1	1
	ASSAULT	1	0	1
	ASSIST COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT	1	1	1
	ASSIST EMS	2	2	0
	ATTEMPT TO LOCATE	1	0	0
	BREAKING AND ENTERING IN PROG	0	1	0
	BURGLAR ALARM	7	4	2
	CAC WELFARE CHECK	1	0	0
	CARELESS RECKLESS DRIVING	1	1	2
	COMMITMENT PAPERS	0	0	1
	DEATH	0	1	0
	DISCHARGE FIREARMS	1	0	1
	DISPUTE (ANYONE)	4	1	4
	DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE	2	1	0
	ESCORT	1	1	1
	FOLLOW UP	0	3	2
	FRAUD / FORGERY	1	1	1
	IDENTITY THEFT	1	0	1
	INFORMATION	3	0	0
	INTOXICATED DRIVER	0	1	0
	LARCENY	1	0	0
	LIVESTOCK	0	1	0
	LOUD (ANYTHING DESC IN NARR)	1	0	0
	PROPERTY DAMAGE	0	1	1
	RECOVERED PROPERTY	0	0	1
	ROAD HAZARD	2	1	1
	SECURITY CHECK	1	0	0
	SERVICE CALL LAW	8	3	6
	SRO LOCKDOWN	1	0	0
	STOLEN VEHICLE	0	1	0
	STRANDED MOTORIST	1	3	1
	STRUCTURE FIRE	2	2	1
	SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT	5	3	6

		Dec-2025	Jan-2026	Feb-2026
DISPATCHED	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	1	1	1
	TRAFFIC ACC PROPERTY DAMAGE	5	10	6
	TRAFFIC ACCIDENT PI	0	1	0
	TRESPASSING	1	2	1
	WELFARE CHECK (PERSON)	8	2	0
OFFICER-INITIATED	Total	515	593	590
	50 B OR C	1	0	0
	CIVIL PROCESS	4	6	5
	COMMUNITY CONTACT	4	5	3
	CRIMINAL SUMMONS	1	0	0
	ESCORT	0	1	0
	FOLLOW UP	1	0	1
	FRAUD / FORGERY	0	1	0
	GOVT SECURITY CHECK	16	19	19
	INVESTIGATION	0	1	1
	OPEN DOOR	0	0	1
	ROAD HAZARD	1	1	0
	SECURITY CHECK	169	177	176
	SERVICE CALL LAW	1	0	0
	SEX CRIME	0	0	1
	SPECIAL EVENT	9	5	5
	SRO ASSIST ADMIN	57	74	75
	SRO CAMERA REVIEW	12	11	14
	SRO DARE	11	16	4
	SRO DRILL	1	5	4
	SRO MENTOR/COUNSEL	92	93	99
	SRO PARENT MEETING	1	3	1
	SRO SAFETY CHECK	53	96	29
	SRO SCHOOL EVENT	0	1	1
	SRO SECURITY CHECK	56	52	108
	SRO THREAT	1	0	0
	SRO THREAT ASSESSMENT	5	3	3
	SRO WELFARE CHECK	0	1	0
	STRANDED MOTORIST	1	1	2
	SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT	1	1	3
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	5	1	3
	TRAFFIC ACC PROPERTY DAMAGE	0	1	0
TRAFFIC STOP	12	16	31	
WARRANT	0	1	1	

		Dec-2025	Jan-2026	Feb-2026
OFFICER-INITIATED	WELFARE CHECK (PERSON)	0	1	0

Event #	Date Time	Street	Case #	callsource
ALL ANIMAL CONTROL CALLS 1				
26032801	Feb 19 11:15	JACKSON ST	2602190011	PHONE
ASSAULT 1				
26029306	Feb 14 10:04	SHORT ST	2602140004	PHONE
ASSIST COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT 1				
26023483	Feb 6 0:25	PAGE ST		PHONE
BURGLAR ALARM 2				
26021510	Feb 3 7:50	COOK ST		PHONE
26039412	Feb 28 4:39	W FRANKLIN ST		PHONE
CARELESS RECKLESS DRIVING 2				
26030393	Feb 16 14:23	NC HWY 49 N/N MAIN ST		PHONE
26033985	Feb 20 16:08	SHORT ST/BOWMAN BARRIER RD		PHONE
COMMITMENT PAPERS 1				
26025001	Feb 8 19:02	CIRCLE DR		PHONE
DISCHARGE FIREARMS 1				
26028349	Feb 12 18:41	SUMMER ST		PHONE
DISPUTE (ANYONE) 4				
26024970	Feb 8 17:55	PAGE ST		PHONE
26026681	Feb 10 20:15	SHORT ST		PHONE
26037238	Feb 25 12:57	W FRANKLIN ST	2602250009	PHONE
26039678	Feb 28 19:00	PAGE ST		PHONE
ESCORT 1				
26034355	Feb 21 10:38	COOK ST		PHONE
FOLLOW UP 2				
26022443	Feb 4 16:23	NC HWY 49 N		PHONE
26037541	Feb 25 16:51	SHORT ST		PHONE

FRAUD / FORGERY 1

26037276	Feb 25 13:31	WOOD ST	2602250012	PHONE
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IDENTITY THEFT 1

26036636	Feb 24 17:07	SHORT ST	2602240019	PHONE
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PROPERTY DAMAGE 1

26031774	Feb 18 9:38	W FRANKLIN ST	2602180005	PHONE
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RECOVERED PROPERTY 1

26037876	Feb 26 8:25	NC HWY 49 N	2602260006	PHONE
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ROAD HAZARD 1

26029861	Feb 15 17:39	W FRANKLIN ST		PHONE
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SERVICE CALL LAW 6

26021035	Feb 2 5:38	MT PLEASANT RD S/OLDENBURG DR		PHONE
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26029537	Feb 14 20:30	E FRANKLIN ST		PHONE
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26029639	Feb 15 0:44	NC HWY 49 N		PHONE
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26032764	Feb 19 10:50	PINE ST		PHONE
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26034457	Feb 21 15:11	PAGE ST	2602210004	PHONE
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26037016	Feb 25 9:17	LEE ST		PHONE
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STRANDED MOTORIST 1

26030849	Feb 17 9:11	W FRANKLIN ST/N COLLEGE ST		PHONE
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STRUCTURE FIRE 1

26034066	Feb 20 17:37	NC HWY 73 E		PHONE
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SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT 6

26024167	Feb 6 22:06	N WASHINGTON ST		PHONE
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26024923	Feb 8 15:46	W FRANKLIN ST		PHONE
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26030266	Feb 16 12:07	NC HWY 49 N		PHONE
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26031606	Feb 18 1:14	NC HWY 49 N		PHONE
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26036796	Feb 24 23:16	NC HWY 49 N		PHONE
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26038105	Feb 26 12:53	NC HWY 49 N		PHONE
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SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE 1

26025035	Feb 8 21:14	SHORT ST	PHONE
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TRAFFIC ACC PROPERTY DAMAGE 5

26025381	Feb 9 11:21	W FRANKLIN ST	2602090015	PHONE
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26027481	Feb 11 20:15	N MAIN ST	2602110019	PHONE
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26030739	Feb 17 6:47	N MAIN ST	2602170002	PHONE
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26032882	Feb 19 12:53	NC HWY 49 N	2602190015	PHONE
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26037895	Feb 26 8:45	W FRANKLIN ST/N MAIN ST	2602260007	PHONE
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TRESPASSING 1

26032201	Feb 18 15:09	SHORT ST	PHONE
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TRAFFIC ACC PROPERTY DAMAGE 1

26031518	Feb 17 19:11	NC HWY 49 N	W911
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Total Disp. CFS: 43

Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office

Mt Pleasant

Traffic Stop, Citation, & Arrest Data

02/01/2026 - 02/28/2026

Traffic Stop Data with CAD Event Disposition (Zone 253)

TRAFFIC STOP	
ARREST MADE REPORT TAKEN	1
CITATION ISSUED	11
REPORT TAKEN	1
VERBAL WARNING	11
WRITTEN WARNING	7
Total	31

Citation Data (Mt Pleasant)

Total # of Citations: 41

Total # of Charges: 56

	Charges
DRIVE WRONG WAY/1-WAY ST/RD	1
DRIVE/ALLOW MV NO REG	1
DWLR NOT IMPAIRED REV	4
EXPIRED OPERATORS LIC	1
EXPIRED REGISTRATION CARD/TAG	6
EXPIRED/NO INSPECTION STICKER	3
FAIL CARRY REGISTRATION CARD	1
FAIL CARRY VALID DRIVERS LIC	1
FAIL STOP STOPSIGN/FLSH RED LIGHT	1
FAIL SURR TITLE/REG CARD/TAG	1
FAIL TO SECURE PASSEN UNDER 16	1
FAIL TO STOP-STEADY RED LIGHT	1
FAIL/WEAR SEAT BELT-DRIVER	2
FAILURE TO REDUCE SPEED	1
FICT/ALT TITLE/REG CARD/TAG	2
GIVE/LEND/BORROW LIC PLATE	1
LIC/PERMIT VIO OTH RSTR <18	1
LICENSE PLATE FRAME/COVER VIOL	1
NO LIABILITY INSURANCE	2
NO OPERATORS LICENSE	5
OPERATE VEH NO INSURANCE	1
SPEED VIOLATION	11
SPEEDING	6
WINDOW TINTING VIOLATION	1
Total	56

Arrest Data (Mt Pleasant)

Case #	Charge	City
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ABC
8840 E Franklin St,
Mt Pleasant, NC

Arrest & Citation Data
LAW ENFORCEMENT USE ONLY - DO NOT RELEASE

2/1/2026 - 2/28/2026

LEWIS, MIGUEL DWIGHT - B/M 36

26-0225-0009	02/25/26	7995 W FRANKLIN ST	O - ON-VIEW ARREST	PAT	CSO
13B - MISD CRIME OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE			M		
13A - ASSAULT BY STRANGULATION			F		

HOWELL, TARA LEDBETTER - W/F 47

135028	02/22/26	8440 NC HWY 49 N	T - WARRANT FOR ARREST	PAT	CSO
90Z - WARRANT FOR ARREST			F		
90Z - WARRANT FOR ARREST			M		

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Mt Pleasant, NC

Arrest & Citation Data
LAW ENFORCEMENT USE ONLY - DO NOT RELEASE

2/1/2026 - 2/28/2026

Charge by Misdemeanor or Felony

	F	M	Total
ASSAULT BY STRANGULATION	1	0	1
MISD CRIME OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	0	1	1
WARRANT FOR ARREST	1	1	2
Total	2	2	4



AGENDA ITEM:

Consider requesting funds \$800,000 from the Convention & Visitors Bureau to help bolster tourism in Cabarrus County.

NARRATIVE:

In 2017, the Town of Mount Pleasant adopted its first Comprehensive Plan. Several of the goals and strategies made recommendations regarding historic preservation, economic development and tourism to help replace the loss of employment and investment from all four of the textile mills and state prison closing in the early 2000s. Since the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan and its subsequent update in 2025, Mount Pleasant has been heavily involved in efforts of historic building restorations, infrastructure improvements, and economic development.

The recent announcement of the renovation of the historic Paula Theater into The Avett Theater, a not for profit (501c3) mid-sized performing arts center, represents a pivotal moment in the Town’s status as a tourism destination. The theater has been donated to the 501c3 organization by local investors, and fundraising is underway to make the 634-seat theater a reality. “The Avett” is expected to be a major draw for top national musical talent as well as serving as a community resource and venue. The Town is also currently preparing engineering plans for parking improvements in the southwest quadrant of Downtown to serve not only the theater, but all downtown businesses. Downtown parking improvements have been a Comprehensive Plan strategy since 2017.

In furtherance of the Cabarrus County Convention and Visitors Bureau’s (CVB) mission to “drive visitation to Cabarrus County to generate the maximum impact through hotel stays and visitor spending” and its vision “to continually grow and sustain a dynamic travel industry to become the number one economic force of Cabarrus County”, the Town of Mount Pleasant requests funding and support assistance from the CVB towards the implementation of the following strategies from the Town of Mount Pleasant Comprehensive Plan. Subject to the provisions of Session Law SL1989-658, NCGS 153A-155 and 2013 NC General Assembly Guidance on the use of occupancy taxes, the Town of Mount Pleasant requests \$800,000 from the Convention & Visitors Bureau towards the implementation of these goals to bolster tourism in Cabarrus County.

The draft memo of the request from the Town to the CVB will be provided to the Town Board prior to the meeting for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:

Open

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AGENDA ITEM

Consider adopting the Parade Safety Policy.

NARRATIVE:

Staff have noticed during the past two parades an increase in children running into the streets in front of parade participants/vehicles to collect candy/items landing on the roadway. Also, at the Christmas parade, several participants threw candy/items very hard at spectators which hit them in the face. Also, a Staff member witnessed a child running out into the street in front of a large vehicle to collect candy. The vehicle had to suddenly stop.

After the Christmas parade, staff discussed adopting a formal Parade Safety Policy to protect spectators, participants, and the Town. Many municipalities in Cabarrus County have Parade Safety Policies in place.

The goal of this policy is to hand candy/items out to spectators instead of throwing candy/items from a float or vehicle.

This Policy would not eliminate candy/item distribution: it simply replaces throwing with safer hand-to-hand distribution and emphasizes safety for spectators, participants and the Town.

RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to adopt the Parade Safety Policy.

TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT



PARADE SAFETY POLICY

(DATE)

Effective Date:
Reviewed/Revised:
Approved by:
Plan Coordinator:

Municipal Parade Safety Policy

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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to protect the safety of parade participants and spectators, reduce municipal liability exposure, maintain public order, and preserve the enjoyment and tradition of community parades within the Town of Mount Pleasant.

This policy applies to all parades conducted within the town limits, whether sponsored by the Town or by private organizations.

1. Parade Authorization

1. All parades conducted within the town limits must obtain a permit issued by the Town Clerk or designated municipal department.
2. Applications must be submitted no fewer than sixty (60) days prior to the proposed parade date.
3. The application must include:
 - Proposed parade route
 - Event duration and schedule
 - Emergency action plan
 - Estimated number and type of participants
 - Description of floats, vehicles, animals, or special equipment

The Town reserves the right to approve, modify, or deny applications based on public safety considerations.

2. Participant Requirements

1. Each parade entry (float, vehicle, marching unit, band, organization) must designate a responsible adult contact person.
 2. All vehicle operators must:
 - Possess a valid driver's license
 - Maintain current insurance coverage
 - Operate vehicles in a safe and prudent manner
 - Truck w/trailer (trucks with trailer greater than 45' are not permitted due to narrow streets)
 3. Maximum allowable speeds:
 - Floats: 5 miles per hour
 - Other vehicles: 10 miles per hour unless otherwise approved
 4. Drivers are responsible for maintaining constant awareness of pedestrians and walkers near their vehicle.
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3. Candy and Item Distribution

Permitted:

- Candy or promotional items may be **handed** directly to spectators by designated walkers accompanying a float or vehicle.
- Distribution must occur from the sidewalk or a clearly defined parade boundary (such as the 6-foot parking lane along North Main Street), and never from a moving vehicle.

Prohibited:

1. **Throwing candy**, toys, beads, or any other objects from floats, vehicles, or moving participants.
2. **Distributing items** in a manner encourages spectators, particularly children, to enter the roadway.

Rationale:

Prohibiting **thrown** items reduces the risk of children entering the roadway, prevents vehicle-related injuries, minimizes post-parade debris entering yards and storm drains, and reduces municipal liability exposure. The tradition of giving treats is preserved through safe, hand-to-hand distribution.

4. Parade Safety Rules

1. Spectators must remain on sidewalks or behind designated safety boundaries.
 2. Parade participants must maintain a minimum three (3) foot separation from spectators. Designated parking lanes (approximately 6 feet wide) may serve as a visual and physical safety buffer.
 3. Alcohol and controlled substances are strictly prohibited for all parade drivers, participants, and walkers.
 4. Animals must be properly restrained and handled by experienced individuals and cannot walk in the parade.
 5. No Equestrian entries are permitted.
 6. Emergency personnel and designated town officials retain authority to slow, redirect, pause, or terminate the parade if public safety is threatened.
 7. Weather – Parade participants and staff must recognize that decisions affecting the whole community also apply to them. Decisions about continuation of the parade will be made by Town Staff preferably by the Event Coordinator and Emergency Planner. The ultimate goal is to protect the well-being and safety of all involved. For lightning, the parade will be halted at the first sound of thunder and/or flash of lightning and not restarted until 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder and/or flash of lightning.
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5. Insurance and Liability

1. Float and vehicle owners must provide proof of valid liability insurance.
2. Parade participants must sign an acknowledgment confirming they have read and agree to comply with all parade safety rules.
3. The Town of Mount Pleasant shall not be liable for injuries, damage, or losses resulting from a participant's failure to comply with this policy.

6. Enforcement

Town officials, Cabarrus County Sheriff's Deputies, and designated event managers are authorized to enforce all parade rules.

Violations may result in:

- Immediate removal from the parade
 - Disqualification from future town parades
 - Referral to law enforcement when violations involve criminal conduct or public endangerment
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7. Exceptions and Special Considerations

1. Written requests for exceptions (such as float design variances or accessibility accommodations) must be submitted no fewer than thirty (30) days prior to the parade date.
 2. Exceptions may be granted at the discretion of the Town Clerk or designated Parade Committee when consistent with public safety.
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8. Public Notification

1. Parade rules shall be posted on the Town's official website and social media at least thirty (30) days prior to the event.
 2. Applications and safety rules shall be made available to all participating organizations.
 3. Temporary signage along the parade route shall remind spectators to remain behind designated safety boundaries and avoid entering the roadway.
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9. Mandatory Safety Briefing

All parade participants must attend a mandatory safety briefing or review approved information provided by the Town (to be developed after approval). The briefing shall cover:

- Vehicle and float operation
- Candy and item distribution procedures
- Crowd management expectations
- Emergency response procedures

Failure to complete the safety briefing may result in disqualification from participation.

10. Effective Date

This policy shall become effective immediately upon approval by the Town Board and shall apply to all parades conducted within the Town of Mount Pleasant.

Policy Considerations

- This policy reflects safety practices adopted by comparable North Carolina municipalities and is designed to reduce accidents, injuries, post-parade debris, and liability exposure.
- The policy does not eliminate the distribution of candy or promotional items; it simply requires safe, controlled, hand-to-hand distribution.
- Clear rules, defined parade boundaries, and designated events managers are especially important in small-town settings where floats and pedestrians share limited roadway space.
- The policy remains flexible enough to accommodate holiday parades, seasonal festivals, civic celebrations, and special events while prioritizing public safety.

TOWN BOARD SUMMARY VERSION

Town of Mount Pleasant – Parade Safety Policy Overview

Purpose

This policy establishes clear, reasonable safety standards for all parades held within the Town of Mount Pleasant. Its goals are to:

- Protect children and families
- Reduce accident risk
- Limit municipal liability exposure
- Preserve parade traditions in a safer manner

The policy applies to both Town-sponsored and privately organized parades within town limits.

Key Policy Points

1. Permit Requirement

- All parades require a permit.
- Applications must be submitted at least 60 days in advance.
- Applicants must provide route details, participant information, and an emergency plan.

2. Vehicle & Float Safety

- Floats: maximum 5 mph
- Other vehicles: maximum 10 mph
- All drivers must be licensed and insured.
- Each entry must designate a responsible adult contact.
- Truck w/trailer (trucks with trailer greater than 45' are not permitted due to narrow streets)

3. Candy & Item Distribution (Major Clarification)

1. **Hand-to-hand distribution is permitted** by designated walkers from sidewalks or defined parade boundaries (such as the 6-foot parking lane along North Main Street).
 - This preserves tradition while preventing:
 - Children running into the roadway
 - Vehicle-pedestrian collisions
 - Slip-and-fall injuries
 - Post-parade debris entering yards and storm drains
 - Increased municipal liability exposure
2. **Throwing candy or objects is prohibited.**

4. Safety Boundaries

- Spectators must remain on sidewalks or behind defined boundaries.
- A minimum 3-foot separation must be maintained between participants and spectators.

5. Insurance & Liability

- Float/vehicle owners must provide proof of insurance.
- Participants must acknowledge safety rules.
- Violations may result in removal or ineligibility for future parades.

6. Enforcement

- Town officials, parade event managers, and Cabarrus County Sheriff's Deputies may enforce rules.
- Emergency personnel may pause or stop the parade if safety is compromised.

What This Policy Does NOT Do

- It does NOT eliminate candy distribution.
- It does NOT make parades more restrictive than comparable towns.
- It does NOT reduce the festive nature of events.
- It does NOT create unnecessary bureaucracy.

It simply replaces throwing with safer hand-to-hand distribution and clarifies enforcement authority.

Why This Matters

Small towns face increasing liability exposure from preventable injuries. A single serious accident involving a child can have lasting financial and reputational consequences.

This policy is proactive, balanced, and designed to prevent harm before it occurs.

Closing Position for Board Discussion

This policy:

- Preserves parade tradition
- Keeps candy distribution
- Protects children
- Reduces litter and storm drain debris
- Provides clear enforcement authority
- Aligns with modern safety practices

It is measured, reasonable, and designed for a small-town environment where floats and pedestrians share limited roadway space.

Common Arguments and Response

Argument: *“Throwing items is tradition and fun.”*

Response:

Tradition evolves when safety requires it. Hand-to-hand distribution preserves the spirit of giving without encouraging children to run into the street. Many communities have modernized this practice after preventable injuries.

Fun should never depend on creating avoidable risk.

Argument: *“We’ve always done it this way and never had a problem.”*

Response:

Past luck does not eliminate future risk. Near misses often go undocumented. Municipal responsibility requires proactive safety standards, not reactive policies after an injury occurs.

One serious incident could outweigh decades of “no problems.”

Argument: *“It will reduce participation or sponsorship.”*

Response:

Comparable towns that prohibit throwing have maintained strong participation. Sponsors primarily seek visibility and community goodwill—not the ability to throw items.

Clear, consistent safety rules create confidence for families and participants alike.

Argument: *“Enforcing a no-throwing rule will be difficult.”*

Response:

The rule is simple and easy to observe. Event Managers can quickly identify violations. Clear pre-parade briefings and signed acknowledgments greatly improve compliance.

Most participants follow clearly communicated expectations.

Argument: *“Kids love running for candy.”*

Response:

The policy prioritizes keeping children out of moving traffic lanes. Running toward floats—especially between vehicles—creates unpredictable hazards for drivers.

Children can still receive candy safely from walkers without entering the roadway.

Argument: “This is overregulation.”

Response:

The policy does not ban parades or eliminate traditions. It sets minimal, common-sense guardrails:

- Slow vehicle speeds
- No throwing objects
- Defined spectator boundaries
- Proof of insurance

These are standard safety measures, not burdensome regulations.

Argument: “The Town is just trying to avoid liability.”

Response:

Yes—responsible governance includes reducing preventable liability exposure. Protecting public safety and limiting taxpayer risk are core municipal duties.

Preventing injury protects families first and taxpayers second.

CURRENT PARADE APPLICATION/POLICY (2026)

**TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT
INDEPENDENCE PARADE APPLICATION
Saturday, June 27, 2026
Parade begins promptly at 5 pm**

Parade Application due Friday, June 12, 2026 @ 4:30 pm

Parade Line Up begins at 3 pm. You must be in line by 4:30 pm. The streets close at 4:45 pm.

Each entry must fill out an application. Once the application is received, you will receive a confirming phone call and email with parade details.

Entry/Organization Name: _____

Contact Name: _____ Contact Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

City & State _____ Zip Code _____

Contact Email Address: _____

Type of Parade Entry (Required - Each Entry Must Fill Out An Application)

Car Golf Cart Tractor/Mower Walking Group Float (with walkers) Float (without walkers)

Truck Other _____

Truck w/trailer (trucks with trailer greater than 45' are not permitted due to narrow streets)
_____ (please provide length)

Church Scout Troup/4H Group Dance Group Queen Martial Arts Group Political Group
Motorcycle Group Antique Vehicle Other _____

Groups: Group Contact will be responsible for communicating all details to others in the group and all must arrive together.

****PLEASE NOTE DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS, EQUESTRIAN ENTRIES ARE NO LONGER PERMITTED****

You must submit an application and receive confirmation in order to participate.

I agree that I have read, understood, and agree to follow all the rules and guidelines of the Town of Mount Pleasant Independence Parade. I agree to hold harmless the Town of Mount Pleasant, its employees, agents, volunteers, and sponsors from all claims, liabilities, costs, expenses, and damages which may result from my participation in this event.

Signature of Contact

Date

Questions? Contact the Town of Mount Pleasant Events, 704-436-9800 Ext 1003

Email application to events@mtpleasantnc.gov



AGENDA ITEM:

Receive update on the status of:

- Water Distribution Improvements Project
- Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall Project
- Water Treatment Plant Renovation Project

NARRATIVE:

An update on the projects listed above will be given.

RECOMMENDATION:

Open

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AGENDA ITEM:

Receive update from the meeting with Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners Budget Workshop concerning the Rural Fire Tax Rate.

NARRATIVE:

Town Manager will give the Board a brief update on the discussion with the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners and County Management personnel. The meeting went well and it will be discussed in more detail at the Town's Budget Workshop to be held on March 21st.

RECOMMENDATION:

Open

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