

Town of Mason Council

Regular Meeting

April 21, 2026, 3:30 p.m., Town Hall

The regular meeting of the Mason Town Council was opened by Recorder Mindy Kearns with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Present were Kearns, and council members Mike Zirkle, James Pauley, Becky Pearson, Sarah Stover, and Mason Hicks. Mayor Kristopher Clark arrived late due to work.

Regular meeting minutes from March 12, 2026 were approved upon motion by Stover and second by Pearson. Bills were submitted and approved following a motion by Hicks and second by Pauley.

Public Forum:

Nathan Ohlinger appeared before council to tell members about a 5K run he is planning to benefit the Wahama Track and Field Team. It will be Sept. 19 at 11 a.m. Route to be determined later.

Melissa Knapp attended and asked council to exchange a bench she owns for one that is at the connection center. It was tabled for more information.

Mayor's Report:

None

Council Reports:

Stover asked if the tractor had been received and was told yes. She also asked if there was an update on the sales tax and was told no.

Unfinished Business:

Kennon Chambers of Ghosh Engineers updated council members on upcoming projects. He said the authorization to bid on the Clifton water project should come at any point. It will have to be advertised in the newspaper twice before the opening. He reported he needed a little more time on the splash pad project. Chambers also said the critical needs UV project for the sewer plant will probably be the first of July.

New Business:

Upon motion by Stover and second by Hicks, council members voted to lay the levy at the rates given.

Upon motion by Pauley and second by Hicks, the motion passed to sign a resolution for the state retirement program for employees. The town will contribute \$10 per pay period for each full time employee.

Upon motion by Hicks and second by Stover, it was approved to allow the mayor to open paving bids for Fourth Street and accept the lowest bid.

Kearns told council members about a complaint received on a property on Fourth Street regarding the residents' backyard. Council agreed the town cannot go into residents' backyards to make sure there is no trash or debris unless seen from the street.

The meeting was adjourned.

Addendum:

Clark returned to town hall at 4:30 p.m., the deadline for paving bids. Two bids were received, including Paving Solutions with a bid of \$66,070.47, and Myers Paving at \$37,375. The bid will be granted to Myers,