

Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting
Monday, September 22, 2025
6:30PM

The meeting was called to order by the mayor. Roll call:

Councilmember George Ragland – Present
Councilmember Casey Whitman-Present
Councilmember Levoneia Ayers-Present
Councilmember Erica Hopkins-Present
Councilmember Theresa Nelson-Present
Mayor Mary Caudle – Present
Members' present constitutes a quorum.

Legal counsel Caleb Ballew and the clerk Sharron Humphrey were also present.

Motion by Councilmember Whitman to approve the minutes dated Sept. 8, 2025. Councilmember Ayers second the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: See Committee reports

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Chairperson Ragland reported that the Fire Dept. responded to 11 medical calls, 1 grill fire, 1 power line down, 1 fire alarm, total of 21 for Sept.

Police Dept. traveled 933 miles, made 9 traffic stops, issued 8 warning citations, 1 traffic citation, 26 calls for service, 1 arrest and 2 reports.

Work session scheduled for Sept. 29th at 5:30 with the consultants to present their report on the Police Dept.

Finance: Chairperson Hopkins presented the Bank Reconciliation Statement ending August 31, 2025.

Motion by Councilmember Hopkins to approve the Bank Reconciliation Statement ending August 31, 2025. Councilmember Nelson second the motion. Motion carried.

The mayor reported that council met at a work session to discuss and include in the budget a raise to be given to regular employees only. She stated she had recommended to the council a 5% raise. She stated the only thing not showing is for the Police Dept., theirs will be a little different based on the report they receive from the consultants.

Motion by Councilmember Hopkins to approve the 5% increase for the regular employees effective Oct. 1. This will also include the following positions: Bookkeeper, Firemen, Maintenance and Park & Recreation. Councilmember Ayers second the motion. **Roll call:**

Councilmember Ragland-yes
Councilmember Hopkins-yes
Councilmember Nelson-yes
Councilmember Ayers-yes

Councilmember Whitman-yes
Mayor Caudle-Abstain
Motion carried

Utilities: Chairperson Whitman reported that in the past we had experienced low water pressure, he stated that he believes the problem is from the water leak from a Huntsville Utilities supply issue. He stated he and others drove around town and did not see any issues.

Councilman Whitman reported that he and the mayor met with EOS on Friday. He stated they discussed starting an engineering task order to come up with a proposal to improve the water lines on Landess Cir. in addition to expanding sewer down in that area. He stated they have provided them with mapping data. He stated EOS has submitted a proposal to do the work, cost \$12,000.00 plus expenses.

Motion by Councilmember Whitman to approve the proposal from EOS regarding the Landess Cir. water improvements. Councilmember Ayers second the motion. **Roll call:**

Councilmember Ragland-yes
Councilmember Hopkins-yes
Councilmember Nelson-yes
Councilmember Ayers-yes
Councilmember Whitman-yes
Mayor Caudle-yes
Unanimous consent, motion carried.

Councilman Whitman also reported that the leak at 6th Street in front of the Fulfyld plant has been repaired, and valve has been installed at the corner Landes Cir., and the leak has been repaired. He stated Madison Utilities is out doing the regular maintenance on the sewer lift stations.

Mr. Whitman stated he does not have an update on the new streetlights to be installed.

Parks & Recreation: Chairperson Ayers reported that clean-up day went well, she stated they had good participation. They had 3 different groups that walked through the town.

She stated Martinson & Beason donated bagels & coffee and Caleb was also with them. She thanked the Executive Director Denise Taylor with Keep Alabama Beautiful, who also met with the mayor and brought down the supplies needed.

She stated the mayor could not be there, but she made sure they had all their supplies, and Mr. Malone, one of our new council members, was with them. She thanked everyone for coming out.

Streets & Cemetery: No Report

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS:

The mayor reported the following:

- They had their Comprehensive Planning meeting that went well, she stated their plan is to get started on Oct. 20th. at 5:30.
- She is working with UAH Nursing Department, looking to bring community nursing to the town. She stated if the project goes right we might get a building. She stated the plan is for us

to figure out what is needed in the community. They will have mobile units to come first. They will be parked in the storm shelter parking lot for bathroom use. If it works out, then they will look at putting a building here. It will be run by a Nurse and Nurse Practitioners with Physician Proctor. She stated our partners include UAH, Wellstone, Inc., Hudson & Alpha and Pharmacies. It will be funded by John Hopkins. She stated she will keep everyone updated as the project moves along.

She stated she is working on a project but cannot mention what it is right now, may have some news to report on next month.

Councilmember Ragland asked council to think about purchasing an admin car, and he stated the black charger can be declared surplus.

Councilmember Hopkins asked does the town does anything to recognize volunteers, suggested we do something once a month to show appreciation, a certificate or something. The mayor stated that it is something that the town did in the past, but we can look at doing it again.

Councilmember Ayers stated that volunteer appreciation is in April, we could do something once a year to show appreciation.

Councilmember Whitman suggested maybe doing something hour based.

Public Comments:

Roy Seay asked how many police officers do we currently have.

The mayor stated 1 that we were trying to hire, she stated we have a couple of applications in, we will start interviewing soon.

George Malone stated the landscaping for the Comprehensive Plan is not complete, he stated there was supposed to be a survey done before the Comprehensive Plan comes out, he stated in that survey it's supposed to be just for the community.

The mayor stated that is correct.

Larry Harris asked if they received damage by the water pressure being off & on without being notified that the water would be off, he asked if the city was liable.

The mayor stated that the town is not responsible. She stated like last time the water was turned off it did not have anything to do with the town it was the City of Huntsville. She stated sometimes when there is a main water break there's is no time to notify customers that the water's off.

Mr. Harris asked who to get a copy of last year's audit report.

The mayor stated to come by the office, she stated it will cost you to get a copy.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date Approved

Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor or Chair Pro Tempore