

CITY OF EAST ELLIJAY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 15, 2026

THE EAST ELLIJAY CITY COUNCIL CONVENED A COUNCIL MEETING ON APRIL 15, 2026 AT EAST ELLIJAY CITY HALL.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR
CHRIS CALLIHAN, MAYOR PRO-TEM
ED FORRESTER
LINDA SMITH
JAMES WATERS

CITY OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

PETRINA PRITCHETT- CITY CLERK
LARRY CALLAHAN – PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR
JAXON WEST – CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
KENNY BARNEYCASTLE – STREET DEPARTMENT MANAGER
SHANE BOWMAN – ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF - ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER:

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:00 P.M. BY MAYOR DON CALLIHAN.

1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING UPON A MOTION BY ED FORRESTER AND A SECONDY BY LINDA SMITH.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 18, 2026.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: ED FORRESTER

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

A- REVIEW/ACTION – FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR FEBRUARY & MARCH 2026

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2026.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

B- REVIEW/ACTION – NEW BUSINESS LICENSE

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE BUSINESS LICENSES AS PER THE ATTACHED MEMO FROM STAFF MEMBER KIM WISHON.

MOTION: LINDA SMITH

SECOND: JAMES WATERS

C- REVIEW/ACTION – GMEBS DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH RULE OF 80 ALTERNATIVE NORMAL RETIREMENT FOR ELIGIBLE REGULAR EMPLOYEES

THIS IS THE FIRST READING ON THIS ORDINANCE. NO MOTION WAS MADE.

MOTION:

SECOND:

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. MAYORS REPORT

6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS

A. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT – LARRY CALLAHAN & CITY PLANNING REPORT – JAXON WEST

SEE ATTACHED MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

B. WATER & SEWERAGE AUTHORITY REPORT

7. CITIZEN INPUT

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 3:10 P.M.

MOTION: LINDA SMITH

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN



DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR



PETRINA PRITCHETT, CITY CLERK