Town of Talking Rock Special Meeting Minutes

October 22nd,2026

Mayor James Bryant called the meeting to order at 5:31pm

I. **Attendance**

Board:
James Bryant
Lynda Cagle
Jason Little
Darlene O'Connell
Tony Hawf
Mark McDonnell

City Manager/Clerk: Amanda Buntin

Others in attendance:
Jene Bryant

PUBLIC HEARING: There were no comments from the public on the millage rate vote.

I. **Pledge of Allegiance**

II. **Mayor Announcements:** A personal situation involving the city manager delayed submission of the town's millage rate to the newspaper. As a result, the council held a special meeting to approve the millage rate.

III. **Approval of 2026 Millage Rate:** A motion was made by Tony Hawf to adopt the roll-back rate for 2026 millage rate to be 1.903 with no increase to property tax, seconded by Lynda Cagle. All voted unanimously in favor.

IV. **Adjourn:** A motion was made by Tony Hawf to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lynda Cagle at 6:07pm. All voted unanimously in favor.

The next regular council meeting will be November 5th, 2026, at 7pm with the working group session beginning at 5:30pm.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:

The town learned that the millage rate published in the newspaper differed from the rate the council voted to adopt for 2026. Following advice from the Pickens County tax office and the town attorney's office, the council will announce the correct millage rate, as published in the newspaper, at the November meeting.

James W. Bryant Jr. Mayor

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Assisted by: Amanda Buntin

Darlene O'Connell