

The Wake Forest Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, May 19, 2026. Mayor Ben Clapsaddle and the five commissioners were present.

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Meeting Summary

An overview of the Board's actions is provided below.

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Presentations

- Presentation recognizing Police Officer J. Fuquay as recipient of Driving While Impaired (DWI) Enforcer Award during the 2026 MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) NC Awards of Excellence
- Resolution recognizing Katherine Tharrington on their retirement from the Town of Wake Forest
- Proclamation recognizing June 2026 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month
- National Day of Prayer Proclamation
- National Senior Health and Fitness Day Proclamation
- Proclamation Chronic Illness & Medical Advocacy Awareness Month May 2026
- Proclamation recognizing May 2026 as Mental Wellness Month
- Tourette's Syndrome Day Proclamation

Public Hearings/Public Comment

- Public hearing on a contiguous annexation submitted by property owners, Ritchie Family Properties, located at 1313 N White Street being Wake County PIN 1851089042 being approximately 7.76 acres.
 - Developer requested and received a 30-day continuance of the public hearing
- Public Hearing to receive public comment on the proposed FY 2026-2027 Annual Operating Budget
 - Abby Black, Jennifer Amyx, and Margaret Watkins spoke
- Public Comment – the following people spoke (topic(s) provided on sign-up form shown in parentheses):
 - Sara Lind (Concern over Federal Government purchases in the town for purposes of immigration detention)
 - Jennifer Amyx (Concern about whether current ordinances can prohibit use of land and/or buildings as a detention facility)

- Margaret Watkins (Suggestions for filling potentially vacant commissioner seat)

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment # 5 - FY 2025-2026

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