

Turin Town Hall

Council Work Session Agenda

47 Turin Rd — September 21, 2026, at 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Welcome and Call to Order

- The work session of the Turin Town Hall Council will be called to order.
Announcement, as this is a work session we will not be accepting public comment.

Council Members in Attendance:

- Richard kelley
- Patricia Smith
- Lydia Wallin

Staff in Attendance:

- Clerk Rena Screws
- Water Sup. Rusty Russell

Legal in Attendance:

- Mark Mitchell

Old Business:

- **Old Community Center Building / Downtown Parking**
 - Attorney Mitchell advised the mayor and council that the engineer reported that was done by Safebuilt deemed the Turin community building as an unsafe structure and should not be utilized at all by anyone. Coweta county transferred the deed to that property to Turin as a quick claim deed back in 2009, which is the lowest deed according to GA law. The quick claim deed that was originally done was with conditions when the county obtained the property which was the site was to be used as a justice site, a court room or a community center as long as used. If the conditions were abandoned the site would be used as a Coweta County polling place. In 2018 Turin went back to Coweta County and got them to amend the quick claim deed and take out the conditions. The concern is that the original owner of the property did not approve of the removal of the conditions. Attorney Mitchell will run down the original deed owners that transferred the property to Coweta County to see if there are any heirs that can sign a quick claim deed to the town without the original conditions. Attorney Mitchell advised that before the town spends any funds on the property let him get the original owners/heirs and get the quick deed signed with out the conditions so no one can

come back and say since the town is not using the building as a community center, the property reverts back to the family. Mayor Sprouse wanted the electricity, gas and water cut off of the building and will get the building secured. Mayor Sprouse advised that when the determination of who owns the building the town can look into grants to help with any projects that the property will be used for.

- **2027 Budget (Water, Administration, P&Z)**

- Council member Wallin has a rough draft of the 2027 budget and wants everyone to go through line by line and let her know if there is any changes that should be made. She also attached a wish list for things that will try to be added into the budget if funds are available. The audit is late and council member Wallin and mayor Sprouse talked to the CPA firm and the auditing firm to see what can be done to have all the reports done within the time frame.

- **Fiscal Software**

- Council member Wallin advised that her and the clerk sat in on two software demo's, Edmans and Black Mountain. Both companies are cloud based and she thinks that Black Mountain would be a better fit for Turin since Edman's strong HR part would not work for Turin since we have 3 employees. To convert Edman's is a 14-week process whereas Black Mountain is a 3- or 4-month time frame. Edman's will pull in 3 years of data where Black Mountain does not pull in any.

- **Draft Charter**

- Mayor Sprouse advised that this will be discussed in the council meeting right after the workshop meeting.

New Business

- **Occupational Tax Ordinance**

- Mayor Sprouse advised that all the town gets from business owners is strictly based on the number of employees that they have and should be by the gross sales that the business has that the surrounding areas have done. Mayor Sprouse wants council to discuss this so that if decided to change the town can adopt this in 2027.

Announcements

- N/A

Adjourn