

hTown of Triana Regular Council Meeting
Monday, August 10, 2026
6:30PM

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

Councilmember George Ragland – Present
Councilmember Scott Altice - Present
Councilmember Casey Whitman-Present
Councilmember George Malone-Present
Councilmember Kathy Nilsen - Present
Mayor Mary Caudle – Present

Members' present constitutes a quorum.

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

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Council Member Whitman to approve the minutes dated July 27, 2026. Council Member Altice second the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Ragland to change the regular order of business to allow Philip Kelly and Jim Smith with Tucker, Smith & Associates to give a summary of the audit ending Sept. 30, 2024. Council Member Altice second the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Kelly stated they could pick up material as early as next week to get started on the next audit report. Jim Smith stated they are a smaller local firm; they do not have individual departments. They do income taxes and audits. He stated timing is everything. Sometimes they have to put taxes ahead of audits because of the deadline. Mayor stated they will have the material by next week.

Mayor Caudle thanked Jim Smith and Philip Kelly for coming out.

Motion by Council Member Ragland to return to the regular order of business. Council Member Altice second the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: We are waiting for the Architect to go through USDA to release the funds for the sewer project to begin. She stated we are also waiting for the engineer to approve our plans, everything else has been approved.

Mayor stated everything is in on the bathroom project; we are waiting for approval before we can start the bid process.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Chairperson Ragland reported that he has not gotten a report from the Fire Dept in several months. He stated the reports help with the ISO rating. Mayor Caudle stated that they have documentation, she stated all he needs to do is ask for the information.

Fire & Police: Chairperson Ragland reported that Police Dept traveled 1,884 miles, made 14 Traffic Stops, issued 11 Traffic Warnings, 5 Traffic Citations, 29 Calls for Service, 0 Arrests and 6 Reports.

Finance: No Report

Utility: Chairperson Whitman reported that our US Representative Dale Strong was here with them this morning. He stated that he, Council Member Kathy Nilsen and Mayor Caudle, were discussing with the press the sewer project Phase 3. He stated that the money was issued by the Federal Government to upgrade our sewer system and key lift stations.

Parks and Recreation: No Report

Streets & Cemetery: No Report

Mayor Caudle reported that the sinkhole in the Malvern Hill Subdivision is being worked on, they plan to finish on Friday. Mayor stated that the sinkhole was very large. She stated they don't know what caused the sinkhole. She stated they warranty calls for them to come back in a year. The estimated cost, \$150,000. She stated once she receives the final bill she will share it with them.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Attorney Caleb Ballew reported that we have received the title report back on who owns Wall Triana Hwy. He stated he should have a full report on that at the next meeting.

Roy Eifert, resident from Bridgemill Community, addressed the council about an issue regarding his neighbors having work done on their driveway, he stated there was a construction crew working next door on a concrete slab. He stated, while working they did not use any water or chemicals to keep the dust down. He stated the dust from work could cause him to begin having health issues.

Mr. Eifert stated he wanted to make sure the protocol was being followed when cases like this occur. He stated this was a violation based on Alabama Code. He stated he did report this as soon as it happened.

Mayor Caudle stated that the building inspector reached out to the homeowner who was out of town. She stated the Bldg. Inspector called them and later he went out and had the work stopped and the issue was resolved.

Mr. Eifert thanked the Mayor and the Bldg. Inspector for their help with the issue.

Council Member Whitman reported that they had their joint work session with the Council, Planning Commission and the Comprehensive Committee on held last Monday to go over the final draft. He stated the next step for that would be for Planning and Zoning Committee to discuss that at the Sept. meeting.

The mayor stated that the plan will come to the council to introduce it then at the next council meeting approve it.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Roy Seay expressed his concern to the council about repairs made to Landess Cir. He stated that he has someone that can help but council must ask them to help.

Daniel Ejide, member of Triana Seventh Day Advent Church addressed the council on an ongoing issue his church has been having with the new owners, Davidson Homes blocking the road at the end of Advent Dr. He stated they have been using the road for 33 years, but the builders are continuing to block

the road. He stated it is locking them up, like dead-end. He is asking the council to assist him with opening the road.

Mayor stated it appears to be a civil matter; they would need to hire an attorney to advise them.

Latoya Rogers, Director of 256, a youth sports organization, stated last year they used the town's football field to conduct their practice 3 days a week. She is coming on behalf of the organization asking for permission to use the field for this upcoming season. She stated they were using the field on July 27th when someone approached one of their coaches and informed him that they did not have permission to use the field.

Mayor Caudle stated that she will need to fill out a facility request form to have a copy of the waiver in her possession and then send the town a notarized letter stating this. Mayor stated we did allow them to use the field the 1st time at no cost but moving forward it will be a cost. She stated to please note that if the city has something planned or needs to use the field may bump them out. Mayor also stated that it is a practice field not game field.

Betty Williams stated that there would be someone working on the west side of the clinic where water is coming in and doing a concrete lift at the door.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date approve August 24, 2026

Sharron Humphrey
Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

May Caudle
Mayor or Chair Pro Tempore