

Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting
Monday, May 26, 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: Motioned by Councilmember Casey Whitman to approve the minutes dated May 11, 2026, with corrections. Councilmember George Malone second the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: Mayor asked council to review the financial audit report ending Sept. 30, 2024. She stated if they have any questions to let her know. And, if they want the auditors to come out to present to also let her know. Mayor stated everything looked good with the report

We received the report from GEO-tech, she stated this report is the study done on the sinkhole in the Malvern Hill subdivision and that we are waiting on cost estimate to do the work. She stated there are two companies that are in the area that do that type of work. She is recommending that the reports be sent to those two companies to be looked at.

Councilmember Whitman stated that there was a company that reached out to him interested in bidding.

Mayor Caudle stated this project will not go through the regular bid process and that we will treat this as an emergency. We are sending this out to the two companies; it could not be a firm amount until they get down into the hole and examine the situation to determine the cost.

Community nursing is still going on, it will resume Thursday, June 11th 1-4.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Chairperson Ragland reported that the Police Dept traveled 1,613 miles, 21-traffic citations, 19-warning citations, 4-traffic citations, 35-calls for service, 2-arrest and 6-reports. No Report from Fire Dept.

Mayor Caudle reported that Officer Coates was in the refresher academy and Chief Powell attended and completed CIA certification for crisis intervention.

Finance: Mayor Caudle presented the Bank Reconciliation Statement ending April 30, 2026. Motion by Councilmember Ragland to approve the Bank Reconciliation Statement ending April 30, 2026. Councilmember Altice second the motion. Motion carried.

Utility: Chairperson Whitman reported that EOS sent us their 30% drawings for the Landess Cir. water project. He stated that his recommendation once they get 50% completion would be to have them come and present to the council what they have.

Councilman Whitman reported that they opened the tornado shelter on Friday, he stated there was a pop-up tornado warning around 12:00noon, thankfully no damage.

Parks and Recreation: Chairperson Altice reported that as of now there are still no sign-ups for summer camp.

Update of restrooms: Mayor Caudle and Councilman Altice reported things are moving along as planned.

Mayor Caudle reported that we have received the concurrent report from the Indian tribes. She also reported that everything has gone to the architects and engineers of the state, we are waiting for a reply from them to start bids.

Streets and Cemetery: No Report

Street signs have come in, Councilmember Malone stated they will get started posting those.

RESOLUTIONS, ORFINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Councilmember Malone stated regarding the GEO report they had talked about getting emergency funds, he asked if we were able to get the funds. Mayor Caudle stated she submitted the request through CDGB, Community Development Block Grant. She also submitted the report to them, and she stated a copy of the report will be sent to ADEM, letting them know what is going on. She stated we are awaiting the estimate right now, as soon as she knows anything he will let them know.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Roy Seay asked about comments made about waterworks being repaired on Landess Cir. Mayor Caudle stated we will be upgrading the water lines beginning on 6th Street S of Landess Cir., she stated this will give better water flow. It could interfere with traffic, won't be done in 1 day. She stated we will announce possible start date and an end date.

Discussion on who owns Landess Cir. Roy Seay asked if Landess Cir. was a city owned or county owned road. Mayor Caudle stated that has always been a debate. She stated the county has always been the one who maintains it, as far as paving, grass cutting, cleaning ditches. She stated she cannot find any paperwork stating who owns it.

Mr. Nilsen stated regarding the police, he asked how many officers the town does have. Mayor Caudle answer 3.

Mr. Nilsen stated that he does not see any action on speed control, especially on Zierdt Rd., it's a bit of concern. Mayor Caudle stated she's seen them all the time monitoring and controlling traffic on Zierdt Road.

Madge Griffin stated she has seen State Troopers are out on Wall Triana monitoring and writing tickets.

Mayor Caudle stated Huntsville Police are assisting as much as they can.

Mr. Nilsen asked with this new officer that we have hired, if there is anything in place to keep him from leaving. Mayor Caudle stated that we cannot stop an officer from leaving and going where they want to go. She stated that the state requires that wherever he goes either he pays back or the hiring agency must pay us back. She stated it's not just us it's all over the United States.

Councilmember Whitman stated that our new pay structure that we implemented does have retention incentives.

Mayor Caudle reported that they had 2 open house days for the Comprehensive Plan. She stated the crowd was not as large as they would like but the discussions were good. She stated that they would be moving forward.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date approve June 8, 2026

Sharron Humphrey
Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

May Caudle
Mayor or Chair Pro Tempore