

Town of Newton Grove

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

August 10, 2026

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Newton Grove was held on August 10, 2026.

Present: Mayor Craig Warren, Mayor Pro-Tem Chris Raynor, Commissioner Bartley Warren, Commissioner George Schwartz, Commissioner Alan Herring, and Commissioner Cody Smith

Staff Present: Town Clerk Amanda Baggett, Deputy Clerk Dana Ellington, and Legal Lew Starling

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and opening prayer.**
3. **Financial Review.** Upon motion by Commissioner Alan Herring, seconded by Commissioner Bartley Warren, and passed by unanimous vote, the financial review was approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes.** Upon motion by Commissioner George Schwartz, seconded by Commissioner Cody Smith, and passed by unanimous vote, the minutes for July 13, 2026 were approved.
5. **Class Review.** Upon motion by Commissioner Bartley Warren, seconded by Commissioner George Schwartz, and passed unanimously, Class Review was added to the agenda. Town Clerk Baggett attended the first week of the Clerk Institute at the School of Government in Chapel Hill. She shared many things she learned.
6. **Police Fleet.** Upon motion by Commissioner Chris Raynor, seconded by Commissioner Bartley Warren, and passed unanimously, the motion to sell the two Tahoe's and the ford truck was approved.
7. **Public Comment.** Quenita Lee wanted thank the Town of Newton Grove how proud she is and how thankful she is about the participation at her church's back to school bash.
8. **Town Comments.** See attached.
9. **Departmental Reports.**

Street Department – Commissioner Chris Raynor. Commissioner Raynor wanted to thank everyone for their support during his recent loss. No issues with trash. There are several potholes, and Timmy will get to them when he can.

Police Department – Commissioner Alan Herring. Commissioner Herring shared the police reports for the month of July from the Sheriff's Office.

Buildings & Grounds – George Schwartz. Commissioner Schwartz reported the sidewalk in front of the library has been repaired.

Public Works Department and Zoning – Commissioner Cody Smith. Glenn Holland reported that the town is permitted to pump 120,000.00 gallons a day. The county is asking us to investigate promising them 20,000 gallons of that capacity for the Industrial Park. We have already promised the county that we could handle 14,000 gallons for the new Hobbton High School. We are in the process of applying for more grant funds for the WWTP. At some point we will need to look into a larger water tank. We are working very hard with what we've got right now. Our water tank is run off of a SCADA system that works through cell service. There have been many issues locally lately with Verizon. This sometimes causes the water tower to overflow. We ask if you see it, please call and report it.

Parks & Special Projects – Commissioner Bartley Warren. Commissioner Warren announced our truck or treat at the fire station on October 28, 2026 from 6pm-8pm. He also mentioned power at the park. This is an ongoing issue and it needs to be looked at and repaired.

10. Mayor Comments. Mayor Warren commented that it is something every day. Water and sewer are our priority right now. He appreciates the staff and the commissioners for all their help.

11. Adjournment.

TOWN OF NEWTON GROVE

Craig Warren, Mayor ATTEST:

Amanda Baggett, Town Clerk

TOWN COMMENTS 8/10/2026

1. There were no discrepancies in the budget amendments approved on 6/30/2026. The paper covered the water and sewer amount. They have now covered the amount for the general fund.

GL Account	Balance
10-1010-0101 General Fund Cash	\$668,821.30
11-1010-0101 ABC Contributions	\$38,554.00
20-1010-0101 Water Fund Cash	\$401,259.36
30-1010-0101 Powell Bill Cash	\$87,326.96
	\$1,195,961.62

NC CAPITAL MANAGEMENT TRUST

GENERAL \$532,501.32

W/S \$281,503.04

STREETS \$ 63,813.81