

## Gillsville Town Council Meeting

Frankum Building

January 12th, 2026

Called to Order-7:03 pm

In attendance Mayor Wade Dale, Council Members: Todd Dale, Jeff Perry, Keith Segars, Kody Rylee, Ricky Sutton and Citizens.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** Kody Rylee gave the invocation, and Mayor Dale led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Dale welcomed the citizens in attendance.

The new Mayor Ricky Sutton was sworn in by the Clerk Rachel Canada. Incumbent council members Jefferson Perry, and Kody Rylee were also sworn in by the Clerk Rachel Canada.

Jeff Perry made a motion to appoint Wade Dale in Ricky Suttons vacated seat. Keith Segars seconded the motion, and all council members present voted in favor of Wade Dale being placed in the vacated seat of Ricky Sutton as council member.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Approval of December 1st, 2025, Minutes** – Kody Rylee made a motion to approve the December 1st, 2025, Minutes, Todd Dale seconded the motion, all council members present voted in favor of approving the December 2025 Minutes.

**Town of Gillsville Garbage Pick-up** - Mayor Sutton brought up the fact that Cooks Sanitation is raising their residential pricing as of the month of January from \$15 per resident to \$20 per resident. The estimate that was given from Waste Eliminator was revisited in order to replace Cooks Sanitation and replace WM and Roll-Off for the dumpsters behind Town Hall. After some discussion it was decided that the Town will discuss the cost of residential pick-up with Cooks and revisit this at a later date. It was also decided to inquire with Waste Eliminator to go forward to replacing the 2 dumpsters behind the café with Waste Eliminator's dumpster.

**SPLOST Expenditures-** The yearly SPLOST Expenditures report for FY24-25 was discussed. This expenditure will be published in the Banks County News.

**Clerk Salary-** Mayor Sutton brought a discussion about the current Clerk Salary. He cited that he would like to see the clerk have more hours, possibly another workday, and a raise in her pay. Kody Rylee proposed that the clerk add Thursdays to her schedule for the hours of 8am-1:00 pm and a 10% pay increase. Wade Dale made a motion to increase the clerk's pay and to add another office day. Keith Segars seconded, all council members present voted in favor.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Veteran Memorial Update-** Mayor Sutton asked for an update on the progress of the Veterans memorial. Council member Wade Dale gave an update, and said that landscape work has

started, and suggested that everyone go and view the progress. The next phase is installation of lighting and flagpoles. This will start soon.

**Adjourn:** Kody Rylee made a motion to adjourn at 7:55 pm. Todd Dale seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

Rachel Canada, Town Clerk

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Wade Dale, Mayor

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Council Members

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