

TOWN OF TRYON, NORTH CAROLINA
FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027 BUDGET ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the Town of Tryon, North Carolina:

Section 1 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the General Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Real Property Taxes	\$ 1,308,785
Prior taxes on Real Property	10,000
Real Property Tax Discounts	-10,000
Motor Vehicle Taxes	125,000
Tax Interest	1,000
Local Option Sales Taxes	557,100
City Hold Harmless / Utility Franchise Fees	300,000
Beer and Wine Tax	6,100
Rents	12,000
Investment Earnings	85,000
Zoning Permits	5,000
Loan Proceeds	374,000
Transfer From Police Pension Trust	18,471
Appropriation of Fund Balance	<u>10,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,802,456</u>

Section 2 – The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund for the operation of Town government and its activities for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Governing Board	\$ 81,800
Administration	615,202
Police	992,393
Streets	1,000,138
Parks	24,900
Zoning, Planning, & Community Development	0
Debt and Transfers	88,023
Total	<u>\$ 2,802,456</u>

Section 3 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Powell Bill Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Powell Bill Revenues	<u>80,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 80,000</u>

Section 4 – The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Powell Bill Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Powell Bill Expenditures	<u>\$ 80,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 80,000</u>

Section 5 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Police Pension Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts for the Town:

Investment Earnings	\$ 900
Appropriation of Fund Balance	<u>17,571</u>
Total	<u>\$ 18,471</u>

Section 6 – The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Police Pension Trust Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Transfer to General Fund (Police Separation)	<u>\$ 18,471</u>
Total	<u>\$ 18,471</u>

Section 7 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Culture and Recreation Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts for the Town:

Rogers Park Donations	\$ 4,500
Appropriation from Fund Balance	<u>15,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 19,500</u>

Section 8 – The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Culture and Recreation Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Contract Services	\$ 1,000
Capital Outlay	<u>18,500</u>
Total	<u>\$ 19,500</u>

Section 9 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Cemetery Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Appropriation of Fund Balance	\$ 5,000
Transfer from General Fund	<u>10,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 15,000</u>

Section 10 – The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Cemetery Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Operations	<u>\$ 15,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 15,000</u>

Section 11 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Tourism Development Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Tourism Development Fund Revenues	\$ 19,000
Total	<u>\$ 19,000</u>

Section 12 – The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Tourism Development Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Tourism Development Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ 19,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 19,000</u>

Section 13 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Sanitation Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Sanitation Fund Revenues	\$ 346,950
Total	<u>\$ 346,950</u>

Section 14 – The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Sanitation Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Sanitation Fund Expenditures	\$ 334,069
Debt Service	<u>12,881</u>
Total	<u>\$ 346,950</u>

Section 15 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Loan Proceeds	\$ 100,000
Water Revenues	1,588,000
Sewer Revenues	631,500
Total	<u>\$ 2,319,500</u>

Section 16 – The following amounts are hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Water Distribution	\$ 520,930
Water Plant	795,261
Sewer Collection	344,991
Sewer Plant	421,369
Water & Sewer Debt Service	<u>236,949</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,319,500.</u>

Section 17 -- It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Water Meter Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts for the Town:

Automated Meter Fees	\$ 45,500
Investment Earnings	<u>4,500</u>
Total	<u>\$ 50,000</u>

Section 18 -- The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Police Pension Trust Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Automated Meters, Registers	<u>50,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 50,000</u>

Section 19 – It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Fire Department Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Fire Department Fund Revenues	<u>\$ 1,173,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,173,000</u>

Section 20 – The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Fire Department Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Debt	\$ 80,842
Fire Department Fund Operations	<u>1,092,158</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,173,000</u>

Section 21 – Note: Harmon Field Tax Rate is set and collected by Polk County with a tax rate of 3.52-cents cents (\$0.0352) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of property. It is estimated that the following revenue will be available in the Harmon Field Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Appropriation of Fund Balance	\$ 5,345
Harmon Field Fund Revenues	<u>328,300</u>
Total	<u>\$ 333,645</u>

Section 22 – The following amount is hereby appropriated for expenditures in the Harmon Field Fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, in accordance with the chart of accounts established for the Town:

Debt	\$ 5,345
Harmon Field Fund OperationS Maintenance	<u>\$ 328,300</u>
Total	<u>\$ 333,645</u>

Section 23 – The operating funds encumbered on the financial records as of June 30, 2026 are hereby reappropriated into this Ordinance.

Section 24 – There is hereby levied a tax rate of 43.78-cents (\$0.4378) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of property for the purpose of raising revenue in the General Fund in Section 1 of this Ordinance. This rate is based on a total estimated valuation of property for the purposes of taxation of \$307,902,086 and an estimated collection rate of 97.21%. This estimated rate of collection is based on the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 projected collection rate of 97.21%.

Section 25 – There is hereby levied a tax rate of 12.38-cents (\$.1238) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) valuation of property for the purpose of raising revenue in the Fire Department Fund in Section 11 of this Ordinance. This rate is based on a total estimated valuation of property for the purposes of taxation of \$521,144,657 (as of June 16, 2025) and an estimated collection rate of 97.21%. This estimated rate of collection is based on the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 projected collection rate of 97.21%. The estimated value is the traditional city valuation combined with the rural fire district.

Section 26 – The Schedule of Fees for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 is included as Attachment 1 of this Ordinance and is hereby adopted as the official Schedule of Fees for Fiscal Year 2026/2027.

Section 27 – The Schedule of Sanitation Rates for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 is included as Attachment 2 of this Ordinance and is hereby adopted as the official Schedule of Sanitation Rates for Fiscal Year 2026/2027.

Section 28 – The Schedule of Water & Sewer Rates/Fees for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 is included as Attachment 3 of this Ordinance is hereby adopted as the official Schedule of Water & Sewer Rates/Fees for Fiscal Year 2026/2027.

Section 29 – The Town Manager (Budget Officer) is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations as contained herein under the following conditions:

- (A) The Town Manager may transfer amounts between line-item expenditures within a department without limitation and without a report being made.
- (B) The Town Manager may transfer amounts up to \$10,000 between functional areas/departments including contingency appropriations, within the same fund. The Town Manager must make an official report on such transfers at the next regular meeting of the Governing Board.
- (C) The Town Manager may not transfer any amounts between funds, except as approved by the Governing Board in the Annual Budget as amended.

Section 30 – The Town Manager is hereby authorized to execute agreements, within funds included in this Ordinance or other actions by the Governing Board, for the following purposes:

- (1) Grant agreements with public and non-profit organizations.
- (2) Leases of routine business equipment.
- (3) Consultant, professional or maintenance service agreements.
- (4) Purchase of supplies, materials or equipment where formal bids are not required by law.
- (5) Applications for and agreements for acceptance of grant funds from Federal, State, public, and non-profit organization sources, and funds from other governmental units, for services rendered which have been previously approved by the Governing Board.
- (6) Construction or repair projects.
- (7) Liability, health, life, disability, casualty, property, workers compensation or other insurance or performance bonds.
- (8) Other administrative contracts which include agreements adopted in accordance with directives of the Governing Board.

Section 31 – Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-129, the Town Manager is hereby authorized to award formal bids received in amounts less than \$250,000 within the following guidelines:

- (1) Bid is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder;
- (2) Sufficient funding is available within the budget; and
- (3) Purchase is consistent with the goals and/or outcomes of the Town.

The Town Manager shall further be authorized to reject any and/or all bids received if it is in the best interest of the Town. A report shall be made to the Governing Board of all bids awarded or rejected under this section.

Section 32 –A summary of all budget funds included in this ordinance is as follows:

General	\$ 2,802,456
Police Pension	18,471
Culture & Recreation	15,150
Cemetery Fund	15,000
Powell Bill Fund	80,000
Water & Sewer Fund	2,319,500
Water Meter Fund	50,000
Sanitation Fund	346,950
Harmon Field Fund	333,645
Fire Department Fund	1,173,000
Tourism Development Fund	<u>19,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 7,173,172</u>

Section 33 – Copies of this Ordinance shall be furnished to the Town Clerk, to the Governing Board, and to the Town Manager to be kept on file by them for examination by the public and for their direction in the disbursement of funds.


J. Alan Peoples, Mayor

Attest: 
Emily M. Dale, Town Clerk

ATTACHMENT 1
Schedule of Fees for Fiscal Year 2026/2027

Administrative Fees

Returned Payment (Check, Card, Online, Phone, etc)	\$ 35.00
Accident Reports	\$ 8.00
Fingerprinting	\$ 10.00
Photocopying	\$ 0.35 Per Page
Parking Impound	\$ 35.00
Delinquent Tax Advertising Fee	\$10.00

Rogers Park

Reservation Fee (Town Resident)	\$ 150.00
Reservation Fee (Non Town Resident)	\$ 250.00
Reservation Fee (For Profit Event)	To Be Negotiated With Town
Deposit for Private Event	\$ 100.00
Deposit for Public Event	\$ 250.00

Licenses

Itinerant Merchants	\$ 150.00
Peddlers of Farm Products	\$ 35.00
Peddlers on Foot	\$ 50.00

Planning & Zoning Fees

Lake Lanier Encroachment Permit	\$ 650.00
Zoning Compliance Permit	\$ 100.00
Fence Permit	\$ 25.00
Special Use Permit	\$ 250.00
Minor Subdivision	\$ 250.00
Zoning Verification Letter	\$ 100.00
Construction, Repair or Demo of Street or Sidewalk	\$ 200.00 (Plus \$1,000 refundable bond)
Wireless Telecommunication Tower	\$ 500.00 (Up to 1 acre, \$50 for each additional acre)
Final Plat (Major Subdivision)	\$ 500.00
Major Subdivision (Preliminary Plat)	\$ 700.00 (Up to 1 acre, \$50 for each additional acre)
Site Plan	\$ 400.00 (Up to 1 acre, \$50 for each additional acre)
Rezoning	\$ 800.00 (Up to 1 acre, \$75 for each additional acre)
Conditional Use Rezoning	\$ 1000.00 (Up to 1 acre, \$75 for each additional acre)
Text Amendment	\$ 500.00
Variance	\$ 800.00
Appeal	\$ 750.00
Vested Rights	\$ 850.00
Copy of Zoning Ordinance	\$ 25.00
Copy of Subdivision Ordinance	\$ 8.00
Zoning Map (11x17)	\$ 10.00
Zoning Map (22x34)	\$ 16.00

ATTACHMENT 2
Schedule of Sanitation Rates for Fiscal Year 2026/2027
(Per Month)

Residential	\$ 28.60
Commercial GA	\$ 75.00
Commercial GB	\$ 156.00
Commercial GC	\$ 242.00
Special Pick-Up	\$ 75.00

Special pickups:
Brush/limbs/shrubs:

Up to 2 wheelbarrows full	No charge
Between 2 wheelbarrows and 6.5 cubic feet	\$ 40.00
Between 6.5 cubic feet and 13 cubic feet	\$ 60.00

Construction & demolition materials

Up to 2 wheelbarrows full	No charge
Between 2 wheelbarrows and 6.5 cubic feet	\$ 50.00
Between 6.5 cubic feet and 13 cubic feet	\$ 70.00

**See Town of Tryon Code of Ordinances Chapter 50, Garbage, for reference*

ATTACHMENT 3
Schedule of Water/Sewer Rates for Fiscal Year 2026/2027
(Per Month)

BASE RATES-WATER

Customer Description	Rate	Gallons
Inside Residential	\$ 21.21	1,000
Outside Residential	\$ 46.44	1,000
Industrial	\$ 1,777.07	300,000

BASE RATES-WATER FOR METERS WITH MULTIPLE USERS

2 Units	\$ 42.36	2,000
3 Units	\$ 63.45	3,000
4 Units	\$ 84.60	4,000
6 Units	\$ 126.79	6,000
5 Units	\$ 100.89	5,000
11 Units	\$ 232.41	11,000
14 Units	\$ 295.67	14,000
22 Units	\$ 464.57	22,000
43 Apartment Units	\$ 908.04	43,000
60 Apartment Units	\$ 1,266.98	60,000
98 Beds	\$ 2,069.34	98,000
WHO WATER-5 UNITS	\$ 220.92	5,000
WKO, SKO WATER-2 UNITS	\$ 88.38	2,000
WFO WATER-3UNITS	\$ 132.55	3,000

RATES PER ADDITIONAL THOUSAND-WATER

Usage Over Base Rate Allowance	Cost/1000 Gallons	
	Inside	Outside
Next 97,600 gallons	\$ 5.72	\$ 16.96
Next 400,000 gallons	\$ 5.89	\$ 17.57
Next 500,000 gallons	\$ 6.08	\$ 18.18
Any Additional	\$ 6.26	\$ 18.72

SEWER CHARGE RATES

	Rate	Gallons
Inside Sewer Charge	150% of Inside Water charges	-----
Outside Sewer Charge	Same as Outside Water charges	-----
Industrial Metered Sewer Rate	\$ 3.29	1,000

MONTHLY METER CHARGES

3/4" meter	\$ 1.85
1" meter	\$ 2.50
2" meter	\$ 4.00

ADDITIONAL FEES AND CHARGES

Inside Water Tap	\$ 1,200.00	PLUS	\$ 300.00	3/4" Meter
Inside Sewer Tap	\$ 900.00		\$ 400.00	1" Meter
1" Inside Water Tap	\$ 1,890.00		\$ 1,100.00	2" Meter
2" Inside Water Tap	\$ 2,400.00			
Outside Water Tap	\$ 1,900.00			
Outside Sewer Tap	\$ 1,700.00			
1" Outside Water Tap	\$ 2,500.00			
2" Outside Water Tap	\$ 3,500.00			
Lake Lanier Impact Fee	\$ 2,750.00			

(for taps located in the Phase II development running from Caledonia Road along Lakeshore Drive Through the old Scout Camp to the houses up on the hill located off of Lakeshore Drive.)

After 4 PM

Reconnect Fee for Delinquent Payments	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00
Reconnect Fee - Customer's Request	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00
Administrative Fee	\$ 25.00	
Late Fee	\$ 15.00	
Water Deposits Residential	\$ 100.00	
Water Deposits Commercial	\$ 150.00	