

Town of Faison

July 1, 2026

Mayor
William “Billy” Ward, II

Commissioners:

Christy Allen
Kenneth Avent, Jr.
Carolyn Kenyon
Carlos Quintanilla

Others Attending:
Law Office of Joseph Ezzell, PLLC
Mandy Taylor, Town Clerk
Jimmy Tyndall, Executive Administrator

Board Meeting

Call to Order

Mayor Ward called the regular meeting of the Faison Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00pm. He offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Approval

Mayor Ward requested three items be added to the agenda: three tax write-offs, Carmen Gonzalez’s sick leave balance, and the 2027 Town Celebration. Commissioner Allen moved to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Kenyon seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Derek Bell, representing Ruby Bell, invited the public to attend the Wood Pellet Town Hall Meeting on July 17, 2026, in Clinton.

Old Business

Mayor Ward presented June’s regular Board Meeting minutes and Closed Session minutes. Commissioner Allen moved to approve June’s regular minutes, Commissioner Kenyon seconded, and the Board approved unanimously. Commissioner Allen moved to approve the closed session minutes, Commissioner Kenyon seconded, and the Board approved unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented the previously tabled Jake Brake Ordinance. Following discussion, Commissioner Allen moved to adopt the ordinance and authorize the installation of signs. Commissioner Kenyon seconded the motion, and the Board approved unanimously.

New Business

Mayor Ward recommended appointing Mandy Taylor as Deputy Tax Collector. Commissioner Allen moved to approve the appointment. Commissioner Kenyon seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward discussed discontinuing the PNC credit cards and obtaining credit cards through Southern Bank, with Mandy Taylor and Jimmy Tyndall having an allowance of \$2,500 each, and Carmen Gonzalez, Billy Mello, and Matthew Scott having an allowance of \$1,000 each. Commissioner Allen moved to approve the transfer of credit cards. Commissioner Quintanilla seconded, and the Board approved unanimously.

Mayor Ward requested approval to hire Melany Sanchez part-time at the Rec Center for \$12 an hour. Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve, Commissioner Kenyon seconded, and the Board approved unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented information regarding a property exchange completed in 2006 involving the Cottle family. Due to an oversight that resulted in the Cottle family paying taxes on the property, a motion was requested that the Town assume responsibility for future taxes. Commissioner Allen moved to approve the request, Commissioner Kenyon seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented Budget Amendments 14, 15, and 16 for Board consideration. Commissioner Kenyon moved to approve Budget amendment 14, seconded by Commissioner Quintanilla. Commissioner Kenyon then moved to approve Budget Amendment 15, seconded by Commissioner Allen. Commissioner Kenyon moved to approve Budget Amendment 16, seconded by Commissioner Quintanilla. All three budget amendments were approved unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented two tax releases for Board approval. Commissioner Allen moved to approve the tax releases for Randy Jordan and Yvonne Robinson Williams. Commissioner Kenyon seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented one tax write-off for Board Approval. Commissioner Allen moved to approve the tax write-off for Edward Hill. Commissioner Quintanilla seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Ward made a request to transfer Carmen Gonzalez's 79.33 hours of accrued sick leave from the Town of Warsaw to the Town of Faison. Commissioner Allen moved to approve the transfer. Commissioner Kenyon seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Ward presented an idea about the Town of Faison hosting another celebration in 2027 due to public interest. After some discussion, Commissioner Kenyon made a motion to have a celebration in July of 2027. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously. Commissioner Kenyon made a motion to appropriate \$45,000 for the celebration. Commissioner Allen seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Commissioner Quintanilla made a motion to adjourn at 6:53, and Commissioner Allen seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

William "Billy" Ward, II, Mayor

Mandy Taylor, Town Clerk