



TOWN OF RIVER BEND

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**RIVER BEND TOWN COUNCIL
PROPOSED AGENDA
May 21, 2026
River Bend Town Hall – 45 Shoreline Drive
5:00 p.m.**

Pledge: Noonan

1. Call to Order (Mayor Bledsoe Presiding)
2. Invocation / Pledge
3. Recognition of New Residents
4. Additions/Deletions to Agenda
5. Addresses to the Council - NONE
6. Public Comment

The public comment period is set aside for members of the public to offer comments to the Council. It is the time for the Council to listen to the public. It is not a Question & Answer session between the public and the Council or Staff. All comments will be directed to the Council. Each speaker may speak for up to 3 minutes. A member of staff will serve as timekeeper. A sign-up sheet is posted by the meeting room door and will be collected prior to the start of the Public Comment Period. Speakers will be called on by the Clerk in the order that they signed up. In order to provide for the maintenance of order and decorum, the Council has adopted a policy for this section of the meeting. A copy of the policy is posted by the door for your review. Please follow the policy. If you have a specific question for staff, you are encouraged to contact the Town Manager or the appropriate Department Head at another time.

7. Public Hearings - NONE
8. Consent Agenda

All items listed under this section are considered routine by the Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

A. Approve:

*Minutes of April 9, 2026 Work Council Meeting
Minutes of April 16, 2026 Regular Council Meeting
Minutes of April 28, 2026 Budget Workshop Meeting
Minutes of April 30, 2026 Budget Workshop Meeting
Minutes of May, 11, 2026 Budget Workshop Meeting
Minutes of May 14, 2026 Budget Workshop Meeting*

9. Town Manager's Report – Delane Jackson

Activity Reports

- A. *Monthly Police Report* by Chief Joll
- B. *Monthly Water Resources Report* from Director of Public Works Mills
- C. *Monthly Work Order Report* from Director of Public Works Mills
- D. *Monthly Zoning Report* from Assistant Zoning Administrator McCollum

Administrative Reports:

10. Public Safety – Councilwoman Noonan
 - A. **VOTE** – Town Ordinance 7.01.003 Amendment
 - B. **VOTE** – Town Ordinance 9.01 Animals Amendment

11. Parks & Recreation – Councilman Weaver
 - A. Parks and Rec Report
 - B. Organic Garden Report
 - C. **VOTE** – Dog Park Rules

12. Finance – Councilman Leonard
 - A. Financial Report - Finance Director

13. Mayor's Report

14. Adjournment

**River Bend Town Council
Work Session Minutes
April 9, 2026
Town Hall
5:00 p.m.**

Present Council Members: Mayor Mark Bledsoe
Buddy Sheffield
Lisa Benton
Brian Leonard
Kathy Noonan
Jeff Weaver

Town Manager: Delane Jackson
Finance Director: Mandy Gilbert
Town Clerk: Kristie Nobles
Police Chief: Sean Joll
Town Attorney: Trey Ferguson

Members of the Public Present: 3

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bledsoe called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, 2026, at the River Bend Town Hall with a quorum present.

VOTE – Addition to the Agenda

Councilwoman Benton motioned to amend the agenda by adding Budget Amendment #4 as item #6 & Water/Sewer Capital Improvement Plans as item #7. The motion carried unanimously.

VOTE – Approval of Agenda

Councilwoman Benton motioned to accept the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion – Upcoming Public Hearings for Zoning Amendment and Comprehensive Plan

The Town Manager stated that there are two public hearings scheduled for April 16, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

Discussion – Board of Adjustment Meeting

The Town Manager stated that there is a Board of Adjustment meeting scheduled for April 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall. He stated that the purpose of the meeting is to hold a public hearing for a special use permit from Harmoni Towers Development for the parcel identified by Craven County PIN 8-205-2000 to construct a cellular tower.

Discussion – Line Worker Appreciation Proclamation

The Mayor stated that the proclamation included in the agenda states that April 18 is Line Worker Appreciation Day and he wants to acknowledge this day.

Discussion – Town Ordinance, Chapter 7.01.03

Councilman Weaver stated that the Council was addressed recently regarding the use of electric bikes and scooters in the town and that the police department needs guidance from the Council on enforcement. Councilman Sheffield stated that he had researched electric bikes and did not realize there was such a difference in the different speeds and wattage of the bikes.

Councilwoman Benton asked the Police Chief what his thoughts on the topic were and he stated that there are state statues that define the usage of the electric bikes on highways. Councilman Weaver stated that he would like to see examples of other town's ordinance on electric vehicles. Councilman Leonard asked the Town Manager for his opinion, and he stated that if the concerns of the Council are addressed within the general statue, then it would be easiest to simply follow the general statue. After a brief discussion among the Council, it was agreed that Councilman Weaver and the Police Chief would investigate other town's ordinance's and prepare language to present to the Council.

VOTE – Budget Amendment 25-B-04

The Town Manager presented Budget Amendment 25-B-04.

Councilwoman Leonard motioned to approve Budget Amendment 25-B-04 as presented. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

VOTE – FY26-27 Water/Sewer Capital Improvement Plans

The Town Manager presented FY26-27 Water and Sewer Capital Improvement Plans and Resolutions.

Councilwoman Sheffield motioned to approve FY26-27 Sewer Capital Improvement Plan and Resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

Councilwoman Sheffield motioned to approve FY26-27 Water Capital Improvement Plan and Resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

REVIEW – Agenda for the April 16, 2026, Council Meeting

The Council reviewed the agenda for the April 16, 2026, Council Meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Councilwoman Noonan motioned to go into Closed Session under NCSG §143-318.11(a)(2)(3). The Council entered Closed Session at 5:37 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Councilwoman Noonan motioned to return to Open Session at 6:11 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT/RECESS

There being no further business, *Councilman Weaver moved to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.* The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Kristie J. Nobles, MMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk



**TOWN OF RIVER BEND
 BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 25-B-04
 FISCAL YEAR 2025 - 2026**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of River Bend, North Carolina that the 2025-2026 Budget Ordinance as last amended on September 18, 2025, be amended as follows:

Summary

General Fund	2,707,895
General Capital Reserve Fund	154,144
Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Fund	540
Water Fund	712,800
Water Capital Reserve Fund	25,000
Sewer Fund	788,550
Sewer Capital Reserve Fund	26,000
Total	4,414,929

Section 1. General Fund

Anticipated Revenues

AD VALOREM Taxes 2025-2026	1,153,846
AD VALOREM Tax-Motor Vehicle	140,000
Vehicle Registration Fee	30,800
Animal Licenses	1,500
Sales Tax 1% Article 39	225,177
Sales Tax 1/2% Article 40	132,451
Sales Tax 1/2% Article 42	112,435
Sales Tax Article 44	16,436
Sales Tax Hold Harmless Distribution	125,643
Solid Waste Disposal Tax	2,200
Powell Bill Allocation	109,000
Beer and Wine Tax	13,490
Video Programming Sales Tax	45,303
Utilities Franchise Tax	135,931
Telecommunications Sales Tax	6,530
Court Refunds	500
Zoning Permits	5,000
Miscellaneous	9,000
Interest- Powell Bill Investments	5
Interest-General Fund Investments	45,859
Contributions	900
Wildwood Storage Rents	18,144
Rents & Concessions	18,000
Sales Tax	11,365
Sale of Capital Assets	12,000
Transfer From Capital Reserve Fund	130,500
Appropriated Fund Balance	205,880
Total	2,707,895

Section 1. General Fund (continued)

Authorized Expenditures

Governing Body	81,200
Administration	348,725
Finance	161,290
Tax Listing	19,500
Legal Services	34,000
Elections	0
Police	839,700
Public Buildings	75,125
Emergency Services	5,370
Animal Control	27,820
Street Maintenance	317,675
Public Works	290,325
Leaf & Limb and Solid Waste	76,725
Stormwater Management	88,300
Wetlands and Waterways	3,025
Planning & Zoning	72,415
Recreation & Special Events	14,200
Parks & Community Appearance	76,000
Contingency	25,156
Transfer To General Capital Reserve Fund	151,344
Transfer To L.E.S.A. Fund	0
Total	<u>2,707,895</u>

Section 2. General Capital Reserve Fund

Anticipated Revenues

Contributions from General Fund	151,344
Interest Revenue	2,800
Appropriated Fund Balance	0
Total	<u>154,144</u>

Authorized Expenditures

Transfer to General Fund	130,500
Future Procurement	23,644
Total	<u>154,144</u>

Section 3. Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Fund

Anticipated Revenues:

Contributions from General Fund	0
Interest Revenue	540
Total	<u>540</u>

Authorized Expenditures:

Separation Allowance	0
Future LEOSSA Payments	540
Total	<u>540</u>

Section 4. Water Fund

Anticipated Revenues

Utility Usage Charges, Classes 1 & 2	200,120
Utility Usage Charges, Classes 3 & 4	18,239
Utility Usage Charges, Class 5	12,854
Utility Usage Charges, Class 8	4,933
Utility Customer Base Charges	283,169
Hydrant Availability Fee	17,934
Taps & Connections Fees	1,250
Nonpayment Fees	10,500
Late payment Fees	7,790
Interest Revenue	15,060
Sales Tax	4,300
Sale of Capital Asset	0
Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund	25,000
Appropriated Fund Balance	111,651
Total	<u>712,800</u>

Authorized Expenditures

Administration & Finance [1]	530,625
Operations and Maintenance	161,675
Transfer To Fund Balance for Capital Outlay	0
Transfer To Water Capital Reserve Fund	20,500
Total	<u>712,800</u>

[1] Portion of department for bond debt service: 133,671

Section 5. Water Capital Reserve Fund

Anticipated Revenues

Contributions From Water Operations Fund	20,500
Interest Revenue	350
Appropriated Fund Balance	4,150
Total	<u>25,000</u>

Authorized Expenditures

Transfer to Water Operations Fund	25,000
Future Expansion & Debt Service	0
Total	<u>25,000</u>

Section 6. Sewer Fund

Anticipated Revenues:

Utility Usage Charges, Classes 1 & 2	255,040
Utility Usage Charges, Classes 3 & 4	39,981
Utility Usage Charges, Class 5	28,328
Utility Usage Charges, Class 8	10,146
Utility Customer Base Charges	298,921
Taps & Connection Fees	1,250
Late payment Fees	8,222
Interest Revenue	23,006
Sales Tax	4,050
Sale of Capital Asset	0
Transfer from Sewer Capital Reserve	25,000
Appropriated Fund Balance	94,606
Total	788,550

Authorized Expenditures:

Administration & Finance [2]	533,650
Operations and Maintenance	229,400
Transfer to Fund Balance for Capital Outlay	0
Transfer to Sewer Capital Reserve Fund	25,500
Total	788,550

[2] Portion of department for bond debt service: 115,429

Section 7. Sewer Capital Reserve

Anticipated Revenues:

Contributions From Sewer Operations Fund	25,500
Interest Revenue	500
Total	26,000

Authorized Expenditures:

Transfer to Sewer Operations Fund	25,000
Future Expansion & Debt Service	1,000
Total	26,000

Section 8. Levy of Taxes

There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of twenty-eight cents (\$0.28) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of property as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2025, for the purpose of raising the revenue listed as "Ad Valorem Taxes 2025-2026" in the General Fund Section 1 of this ordinance. This rate is based on a valuation of \$413,245,000 for purposes of taxation of real and personal property with an estimated rate of collection of 99.72%. The estimated collection rate is based on the fiscal year 2023-2024 collection rate of 99.72% by Craven County who has been contracted to collect real and personal property taxes for the Town of River Bend. Also included is a valuation of \$50,000,000 for purposes of taxation of motor vehicles with a collection rate of 100% by the North Carolina Vehicle Tax System.

Section 9. Fees and Charges

There is hereby established, for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, various fees and charges as contained in Attachment A of this document.

Section 10. Special Authorization of the Budget Officer

- A. The Budget Officer shall be authorized to reallocate any appropriations within departments.
- B. The Budget Officer shall be authorized to execute interfund and interdepartmental transfers in emergency situations. Notification of all such transfers shall be made to the Town Council at its next meeting following the transfer.
- C. The Budget Officer shall be authorized to execute interdepartmental transfers in the same fund, including contingency appropriations, not to exceed \$5,000. Notification of all such transfers shall be made to the Town Council at its next meeting following the transfer.

Section 11. Classification and Pay Plan

Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for all Town employees shall be 2.8% and shall begin the first payroll in the new fiscal year. The Town Manager is hereby authorized to grant merit increases to Town employees, when earned, per the approved Pay Plan.


Section 12. Utilization of the Budget Ordinance

This ordinance shall be the basis of the financial plan for the Town of River Bend municipal government during the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The Budget Officer shall administer the Annual Operating Budget and shall ensure the operating staff and officials are provided with guidance and sufficient details to implement their appropriate portion of the budget.

Section 13. Copies of this Budget Ordinance

Copies of this Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk, Town Council, Budget Officer and Finance Officer to be kept on file by them for their direction in the disbursement of funds.

Adopted this 9th day of April, 2026.



 Mark Bledsoe, Mayor

Attest:



 Kristie J. Nobles, Town Clerk, MMC, NCCMC

RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA
Adopting the Updated Town of River Bend’s
10-Year Wastewater System Capital Improvements Plan

RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

WHEREAS, The Town of River Bend, within its Sewer Fund, operates and maintains a public Wastewater System under Public ID No’s. NC0030406 (treatment) and WQCS00216 (collection), issued by the State of North Carolina, and

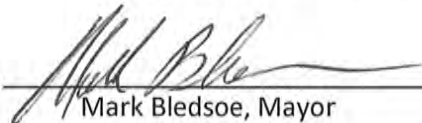
WHEREAS, WHEREAS, the Town of River Bend has developed a 10-Year Wastewater System Capital Improvements Plan, within its Sewer Fund, to identify needed capital improvements and their costs,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVER BEND

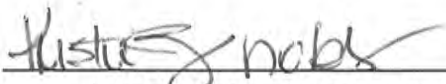
That, the Town of River Bend Town Council hereby adopts the 10-Year Wastewater System Capital Improvements Plan, beginning in Fiscal Year 26-27, as a guidance document for pursuing capital improvement funding in the Sewer Fund to keep the wastewater system in good operating order, and

That town staff, under the direction of the Mayor and Town Council, shall regularly review and update the 10-Year Wastewater System Capital Improvements Plan to ensure compliance with all federal, state, and local regulations.

ADOPTED, this the 9th day of April, 2026 at River Bend, North Carolina.



Mark Bledsoe, Mayor



Kristie J. Nobles, Town Clerk, MMC, NCCMC



RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA
Adopting the Updated Town of River Bend’s
10-Year Water System Capital Improvements Plan

RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

WHEREAS, The Town of River Bend operates and maintains a public Water System under Public Water Supply ID No. 04-25-113 issued by the State of North Carolina, and


WHEREAS, WHEREAS, the Town of River Bend has developed a 10-Year Water System Capital Improvements Plan to identify needed capital improvements and their costs,


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVER BEND

That, the Town of River Bend Town Council hereby adopts the 10-Year Water System Capital Improvements Plan, beginning in Fiscal Year 26-27, as a guidance document for pursuing capital improvement funds to keep the water system in good operating order, and

That town staff, under the direction of the Mayor and Town Council, shall regularly review and update the 10-Year Water System Capital Improvements Plan to ensure compliance with all federal, state, and local regulations.

ADOPTED, this the 9th day of April, 2026 at River Bend, North Carolina.


Mark Bledsoe, Mayor


Kristie J. Nobles, Town Clerk, MMC, NCCMC



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN Water Fund		Prior Year	Upcoming Year	Future Years				
				2025-2026	2026-2027	2027-2028	2028-2029	2029-2030
Appropriation: Annual Appropriation: Grant/Loan/Other Funds Appropriation: For Vehicles (50/50 with sewer) FY Appropriation: Previous Year Ending Balance		15,000	20,000	20,000	25,000	30,000	25,000	150,000
		2,000,000						
		5,500	5,500	6,000	6,500	6,500	7,000	52,500
		\$ 2,020,500	\$ 25,500	\$ 26,000	\$ 31,500	\$ 36,500	\$ 32,000	\$ 202,500
		\$ 22,260						
Capital Projects		Prior Project yr.						
<i>Administration:</i>								
Vehicle Replacement (split Water/Sewer)	Per schedule				24,500	20,500		22,000
Backhoe (split with water and general)	21-22							60,000
<i>Treatment</i>								
Well #1 Replacement		1,000,000						
Well #2 Replacement		1,000,000						
Treatment House Corrosion Prevention	20-21							
Filter Media Rehab	24-25 (all 3)							
Well #1 Pump Replacement	13-14							
Water Treatment Plant Improvements	24-25							
Sampling Station Replacement	23-24					10,000		
<i>Distribution</i>								
Line Extension (2 on Old Pollockville Rd.)		25,000	25,000					
Howell Center and Riverstone Backflow	11-12							
Industrial Meter Replacement					6,000			
Elevated Tank Projects						30,000		
FY Expenditures:		2,025,000	25,000		30,500	60,500		82,000
Any reserves shown in ending balance line are accounted for in fund balance		2025-2026	2026-2027	2027-2028	2028-2029	2029-2030	2030-2031	2032-2037
		\$ 17,760	\$ 18,260	\$ 44,260	\$ 45,260	\$ 21,260	\$ 53,260	\$ 173,760
Adopted by Council 4/9/26								

**River Bend Town Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2026
Town Hall
5:00 p.m.**

Present Council Members: Mayor Mark Bledsoe
Buddy Sheffield
Lisa Benton
Brian Leonard
Kathy Noonan
Jeff Weaver

Town Manager: Delane Jackson
Finance Director: Mandy Gilbert
Police Chief: Sean Joll
Town Clerk: Kristie Nobles
Town Attorney: David Baxter

Members of the Public Present: 5

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bledsoe called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2026, at the River Bend Town Hall with a quorum present, followed by invocation and the pledge of allegiance.

RECOGNITION OF NEW RESIDENTS

None

VOTE – Approval of Agenda

Councilwoman Noonan motioned to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ADDRESSES TO THE COUNCIL

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Barbara Maurer – 300 Shoreline Drive – she presented several years version of the town’s comprehensive plan going back 20 years. She said that the town does not currently have a comprehensive plan and she suggested that the town develop one.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Proposed Amendment to Chapter 15.02.047 of the Town’s Zoning Ordinance
Councilman Sheffield motioned to open the Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendment to Chapter 15.02.047 of the Town’s Zoning Ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

He then invited anyone who wished to comment on the Proposed Amendment to Chapter 15.02.047 of the Town’s Zoning Ordinance to step to the podium to be heard.

With no one stepping forward, Councilman Sheffield moved to close the Public Hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

B. 2026 Comprehensive Land Use Plan

Councilman Sheffield motioned to open the Public Hearing on the 2026 Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

He then invited anyone who wished to comment on the 2026 Comprehensive Land Use Plan to step to the podium to be heard.

Barbara Maurer – 300 Shoreline Drive – commended Assistant Zoning Administrator, Allision McCollum, on her work creating the document.

Councilman Sheffield moved to close the Public Hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Mayor presented the Council with the Consent Agenda. *Councilman Leonard moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.* Within this motion, the following items were approved:

A. Approve:

*Minutes of March 12, 2026, Work Council Meeting
Minutes of March 19, 2026, Special Council Meeting
Minutes of March 19, 2026, Regular Council Meeting*

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Manager gave the following updates:

- The Stormwater AIA Project is complete.
- The town received the final deliverables for the Water and Sewer AIA Project today.
- Board of Adjustment meeting and public hearing is scheduled for April 21, 2026.
- Annual budget workshops will begin on April 28, 2026.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**FINANCE – Councilman Leonard**

Financial Report – Finance Director, Mandy Gilbert, presented the financial statement for the month of March to the Council. She stated the total of the Town's Cash and Investments as of March 31, 2026, were \$3,098,371 and Ad Valorem Tax Collections for FY25-26 were \$1,122,947 and Vehicle Ad Valorem Tax Collections were \$84,611.

COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION – Councilwoman Benton

Councilwoman Benton stated that CAC met on Wednesday, March 18 and the next meeting is May 20. She stated that CAC is working on several activities for the upcoming year including, working on the sidewalk garden, updating the festive award document along with a new logo. She stated that the Arbor Day event was very successful.

ENVIRONMENTAL & WATERWAYS – Councilman Leonard

Councilman Leonard provided the following report from the April meeting.

Chairman Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. There was a quorum of members present. There were no visitors. The minutes for the March 2nd, 2026, meeting were approved. Old Business: Tee shirts for EWAB members delivered. Sinkhole at 717 Plantation. New Business:

There are two vacancies on EWAB. No May 2026 meeting. Another cleanup is planned for August 22nd, 2026. Councilman Leonard gave a council update and answered members questions. Next meeting June 1st, 2026, at 7PM in the municipal building in the small conference room.

PLANNING BOARD – Councilman Sheffield

Councilman Sheffield provided the following report from the April meeting.

The regular meeting of the Planning Board was held on April 2nd at 6:00 pm in the Community Building. A quorum was present along with several citizens and Two representatives of Ellis Development. Chairman Lippert asked for public Comment. A spokesman from Lakemere addressed the board. He thanked the Ellis engineer for meeting with Lakemere residents and addressing their concerns. Manager Jackson explained the recent changes to the Kirkland Creek subdivision plat. After some discussion, the board voted to approve the plat and send the matter to the Town Council for final approval. Under new business, the board took up the special use permit application for a cell phone tower on Highway 17 near Guy C. Lee. The Board voted to approve the permit without addendums and sent it to the Board of Adjustment. The Board of Adjustment will hold a hearing on April 21st at 6:00pm to consider the permit application. Interested parties are urged to attend.

VOTE – Proposed Amendment to Chapter 15.02.047 of the Town’s Zoning Ordinance

Councilman Sheffield motioned to approve the Amendment to Chapter 15.02.047 of the Town’s Zoning Ordinance as presented. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

VOTE – 2026 Comprehensive Land Use Plan

Councilman Sheffield motioned to approve the 2026 Comprehensive Land Use Plan as presented. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

PARKS & RECREATION – Councilman Weaver

Councilman Weaver gave the following report:

Parks and Recreation partnered with the River Bend Country Club and hosted an Easter Egg Hunt and Festival that was very well attended and a great success. The feedback about the obstacle course, magic show and balloon animals was overwhelmingly positive. The River Bend Country Club was especially accommodating, and Parks and Recreation is currently working with them to host more events there including June’s Movie Night. There was a great response to the Jewelry Workshop that will be held this Saturday. There is currently a waitlist. Caregiver Classes have been scheduled to begin in June. P&R will again celebrate Mental Health Month in May with numerous activities planned. Make sure to follow P&R to stay abreast of all their planning and check the Town calendar for dates.

RIVER BEND COMMUNITY ORGANIC GARDEN

Councilman Weaver gave the following report:

Gardeners worked 100 hours in March. Work hours are increasing as the days get warmer. The annual Plant Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 25, from 9 am to 1 pm with a rain date set for week later. Indoor plants, vegetables, herbs, flowers, shrubs and trees will be available. Baked goods and crafts will be on sale. The next meeting is scheduled for May 4th at 1:30 pm. Guests are always welcome at the meetings and in the garden.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Bledsoe gave the following report.

Leading the way to Independence. On April 12, 1776, in the small town of Halifax, North Carolina made history. Through the Halifax Resolves, it became the first American colony to officially call for independence from Great Britain. At a time when many still hoped for reconciliation, North Carolina chose courage. Meeting as the Fourth Provincial Congress of North Carolina, these leaders authorized their delegates to the Second Continental Congress to vote for independence,

form foreign alliances, and create a new government of their own. What makes the Resolves especially important is their direct link to the Declaration of Independence. By making this bold decision of authorizing North Carolina's delegates to vote for independence, they helped shift the Continental Congress from hesitation to action. Other colonies—especially Virginia—soon followed with similar instructions, creating the unified push that made independence possible in July. leading to the birth of a nation and the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Today, we remember that moment every time we see the date April 12, 1776, on the Flag of North Carolina—a lasting symbol of leadership, resolve, and the first call for freedom.

CLOSED SESSION

Councilwoman Benton motioned to go into Closed Session under NCSG §143-318.11(a)(3). The Council entered Closed Session at 5:25 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Councilwoman Benton motioned to return to Open Session at 5:36 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilman Weaver moved to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Kristie J. Nobles, MMC
Town Clerk

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF RIVER BEND

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of River Bend that the Town Code of Ordinances, Title XV, Land Usage, Chapter 15.02, Zoning, be amended as follows:

§ 15.02.047 DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS

For convenience in the administration of this chapter, there is hereby established and made a part of this chapter the following schedule for the several districts setting forth minimum limitations and requirements. The requirements listed for each district as designated are subject to all provisions of this chapter and, unless otherwise indicated, shall be deemed to be the minimum requirements in every instance of their application.


<i>Schedule of District Requirements</i>										
	R-20	R-20A	R-15	PDR-MF	PDR-SF	ID	BD	WP	AGR	PD-BD
Minimum Lot Area (SF)	20,000	20,000	15,000	-	6,500	20,000	20,000	-	-	20,000
District Size	-	-	-	5 acres	10 acres	-	-	-	-	4 acres
Density	-	-	-	*	†	-	‡	-	-	‡
Minimum Front Lot Line (FT)	90**	90**	85**	50††	50††	-	100	-	-	100
Minimum Bldg. Set Back (FT)	30	30	30	25	25	40	40	-	-	40
Minimum Side Yard (FT)										
Main Building	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	-	-	10
Accessory Building	5	5	5	5	5	-	-	-	-	-
Swimming Pool	10	10	10	-	-	10	-	-	-	-
Tennis Court	15	15	15	-	-	10	-	-	-	-
Minimum Rear Yard (FT)										
Main Building	15	15	15	15	15	10	20	-	-	20
Accessory Building	10	10	10	10	10	-	-	-	-	-

<i>Schedule of District Requirements</i>										
	R-20	R-20A	R-15	PDR-MF	PDR-SF	ID	BD	WP	AGR	PD-BD
Swimming Pool	10	10	10	-	-	10	-	-	-	-
Tennis Court	15	15	15	-	-	10	-	-	-	-
Accessory Building	PLEASE REFERENCE CHART IN §15.02.061									
Maximum Lot Coverage by Impervious Surface (%)	24	24	24	24	30	24	24	-	-	24
Maximum Height (FT)										
Main Building	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	-	-	34
Accessory Building	The lesser of 18 FT or one (1) story									
CAMA and FEMA setbacks, if applicable, take priority to Town designated setbacks.										
*Density – PDR-MF – No more than 6.5 dwelling units per acre. †Density – PDR-SF – No more than 4 dwelling units per acre. ‡Density – BD, PD-BD – Nor more than 4 business units per acre. **Min. Front Lot Line – R-20, R-20A, R-15 – 40 FT on cul-de-sac. ††Min. Front Lot Line – PDR-MF, PDR-SF – 25 FT on cul-de-sac.										

Penalty, see § 1.01.999

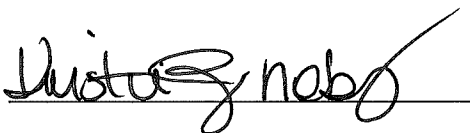
This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption.

Adopted this on the 16th day of April, 2026



 Mark Bledsoe, Mayor

ATTEST:



 Kristie J. Nobles, Town Clerk

Town of River Bend

COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN

2026



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Introduction

Why Plan Our Town?

The purpose of the *Town of River Bend – Comprehensive Land Use Plan* (hereinafter referred to as “Town Plan”) is to provide information and perspective used to plan and prioritize actions to support a resilient, self-sustaining community. The Town Plan must outline goals and strategies to perpetuate and improve upon the livability and desirability of the Town of River Bend. The Town Plan should encourage growth opportunities, while maintaining the character and resources essential to River Bend. Information within the Town Plan should serve as the basis for future development decisions.

River Bend – On the river, around the bend.

About Town Planning

Long term planning for the future of a community is vitally important. The Comprehensive Plan is one of two key documents that the Town develops and uses to plan, finance, and implement projects and programs. Our Capital Improvement Plan estimates the costs for specific projects and finances them over a 5-year period. The Comprehensive Plan is structured to provide an overview of a community’s existing conditions and features. The main function of the plan is to serve as a guide to a community’s future development policy. The goals of a comprehensive land use plan are to:

- » develop a long-term vision,
- » address what should be maintained or changed to achieve that vision,
- » identify future land uses in an overall community-wide context,
- » identify and prioritize needed future infrastructure improvement aimed at supporting the vision, and
- » provide implementation guidance as to the private and public investment strategies to realize the vision.

Planning is an ongoing process! Part of the process is monitoring the plan’s progress as a fluid document that should be regularly updated to reflect changing conditions.

Official State Policy

The State of North Carolina requires local governments in NC General Statute 160D, effective January 1, 2021, to adopt a plan to be eligible for certain funding, powers, and authority. The plan is to be used as an assurance to the public that local decisions are made with a perspective on the future implications of pending decisions, and to affirm that public accountability and fiscal responsibility are considered as part of the decision-making process.

Decisions made about public spending and growth can often appear centered around individuals involved and how they may benefit. When governing board decisions adhere to an adopted plan, those individual interests are balanced with others affected by the outcome of decisions, which include citizens, property owners, and businesses.

Statutory Reference

Town of River Bend – Comprehensive Land Use Plan shall serve as the adopted plan pursuant to §N.C.G.S. 160D in the planning and regulation of development.

About River Bend

Vision Statement

The Town of River Bend strives to be a strong community that values its history and neighborhood feel while embracing growth to become a vibrant place that offers a variety of quality opportunities for residents of all ages to live and actively participate in our community.

Town History

The area now known as the Town of River Bend began as a robust tobacco plantation of 1,200 acres owned by the Odd Fellows – a fraternal group of black tenant farmers collectively working and farming together. During the recession of 1914, this group sold the land to the W.S. Clark Company – a leading supplier and farm supplies and general merchandise at the time. In 1964, Frank Efird moved to New Bern, established the Efird Company, and began looking for large tracts of land to develop with single-family homes. As small tenant farming was declining, the Clark family sold the Odd Fellow farm to the Efird Company in October 1967 for \$486,000.

The first family moved to what was then known as River Bend Plantation in July 1969. As demand for more housing, and new housing options increased, new sections of River Bend Plantation were developed. As the population grew, the need for community services also grew. The still active Rhems Volunteer Fire Department was established entirely by residents, completing all the necessary paperwork, raising money for the original construction, and performing manual labor during the construction.

In 1977, after much discussion, several community members met to discuss the possibility of incorporating River Bend Plantation into a town. The initial vote resulted in the residents deciding against incorporation. The idea was revived in 1980, and this time, with a vote of 298 residents in favor versus 224 opposed, the project to incorporate moved forward. In 1981, the Town of River Bend was officially incorporated and held a festival celebrating the event on July 25, 1981.

Since incorporating, the Town has continued to evolve. In 1986 the Town acquired the land that currently houses the Town Hall and adjacent park. Over the years, additional parks and municipal buildings have been added – most recently a new building that houses meeting spaces for community events and our police department, and a new building for our Public Works department. The Town manages and operates its own water and sewer system. Community volunteers operate and manage the Red Caboose Library and an active Community Watch organization.

In 2001, the Town transitioned to a Council-Manager form of government. A Town Manager was hired to oversee the day-to-day operations of the Town, including supervising the staff, developing and administering the annual budget, and performing a variety of other tasks to carry out the vision of the elected Council.

Through tireless efforts of the residents of the Town, the Town Council, the Advisory Boards, and the Town staff, the Town of River Bend has evolved from a small, residential neighborhood to a dynamic community which offers unique business opportunities while still maintaining a neighborhood feeling.

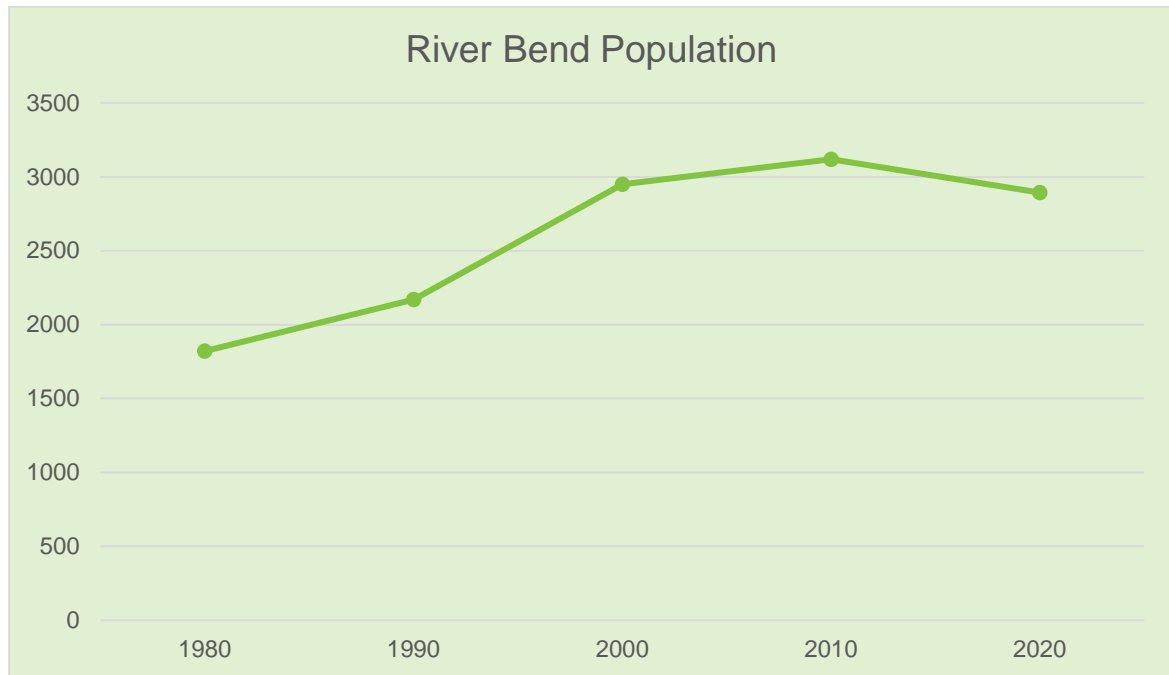
Community Profile

Population

Historic Population Growth

Geographic Area	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020
River Bend	1,821	2,170	2,949	3,119	2,894
Craven County	71,285	82,131	91,954	104,180	100,646
North Carolina	5,896,178	6,664,016	8,081,614	9,574,586	10,449,445

Historic Population Growth Rates (US Census Bureau)



Population Projections

Geographic Area	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060
Craven County	100,646	103,334	103,336	103,335	103,335
North Carolina	10,449,445	11,743,841	12,966,080	14,170,486	15,369,596

Population Projections (NC Office of State Budget & Management)

Age/Sex/Race/Education

Median age is the age that divides the total age frequency into two equal parts (e.g., half of individuals are older than the median age and half are younger). It is a good indicator to gauge whether a population is getting older. In 2023, the median age of all people in the Town of River Bend was 52.5, about 35% higher than the median age in both Craven County and North Carolina.

Median Age by Sex	Town of River Bend	Craven County	North Carolina
Total Population	52.5	39.0	39.4
Male	53.3	35.5	37.8
Female	51.9	42.7	41.0

S0101 – Age & Sex (US Census Bureau)

The Town of River Bend skews older – particularly compared with Craven County and North Carolina – with most citizens falling into the 40+ age category.

Population by Age Range	Town of River Bend		Craven County		North Carolina	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Population	2,896		102,391		10,835,491	
0 to 9 years	111	3.8%	11,488	11.2%	1,235,975	11.4%
10 to 19 years	253	8.7%	13,393	13.1%	1,388,048	12.8%
20 to 29 years	242	8.4%	13,538	13.2%	1,424,474	13.1%
30 to 39 years	287	9.9%	13,938	13.6%	1,445,930	13.3%
40 to 49 years	470	16.2%	10,041	9.8%	1,355,073	12.5%
50 to 59 years	420	14.5%	10,587	10.3%	1,375,569	12.7%
60 to 69 years	499	17.2%	14,881	14.5%	1,319,960	12.2%
70 to 79 years	434	15.0%	10,050	9.8%	891,828	8.2%
80 years and over	180	6.2%	4,475	4.4%	398,634	3.7%

S0101 – Age & Sex (US Census Bureau)

In 2023, 55.8% of River Bend residents were women, which was markedly higher than both Craven County and North Carolina.

Population by Sex	Town of River Bend		Craven County		North Carolina	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Population	2,896		102,391		10,835,491	
Male	1,280	44.2%	51,272	50.1%	5,312,054	49.0%
Female	1,616	55.8%	51,119	49.9%	5,523,437	51.0%

S0101 – Age & Sex (US Census Bureau)

In the Town of River Bend, for people reporting one race alone, 83.7% were White; 12.6% were Black or African American; and 0.5% were some other race. An estimated 3.1% of people in River Bend reported two or more races.

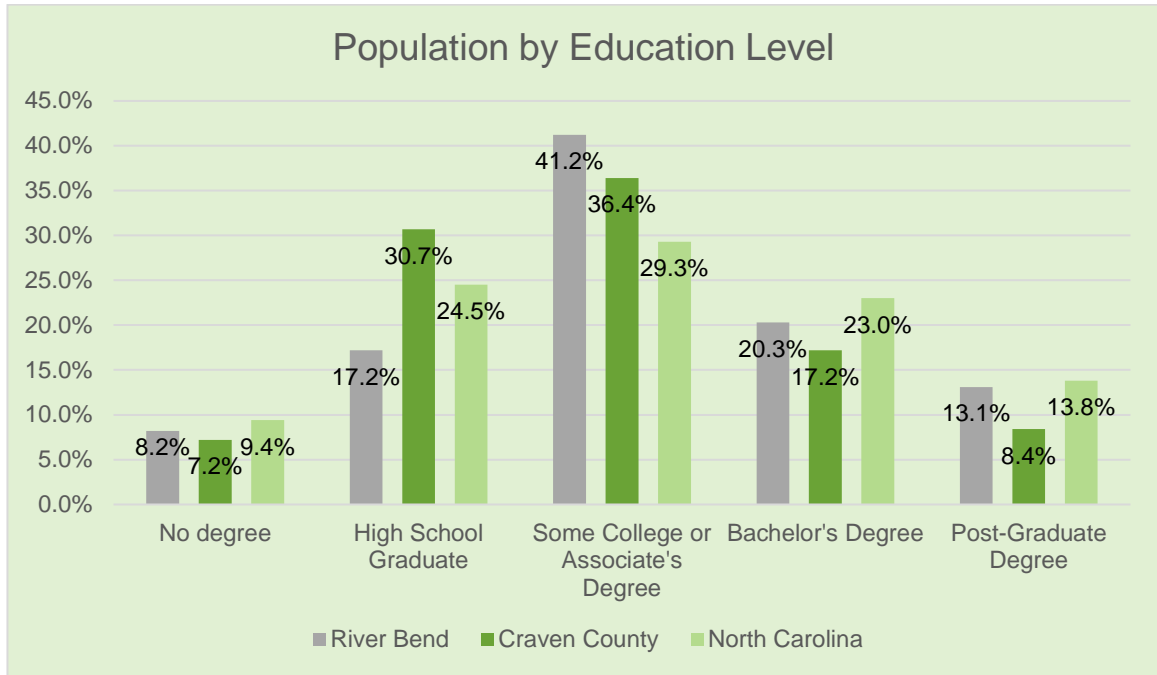
Race & Hispanic or Latino Origin	Town of River Bend	Craven County	North Carolina
Total Population	2896	102,391	10,835,491
White	83.7%	65.2%	61.4%
Black or African American	12.6%	17.6%	20.1%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.4%	0.0%	1.0%
Asian	0.0%	3.1%	3.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Some other race	0.0%	3.9%	5.7%
Two or more races	3.1%	10.0%	8.3%
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	3.3%	7.8%	11.4%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	80.4%	63.8%	59.8%

S0601 – Selected Characteristics (US Census Bureau)

Almost 92% of River Bend residents have a high school degree or higher. Over 33% have a Bachelor’s degree or higher.

Educational Attainment	Town of River Bend		Craven County		North Carolina	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Population 25 years and over	2,348		70,552		7,487,552	
Less than high school graduate	192	8.2%	5,054	7.2%	705,856	9.4%
High school graduate	405	17.2%	21,685	30.7%	1,831,714	24.5%
Some college or associate’s degree	967	41.2%	25,709	36.4%	2,195,061	29.3%
Bachelor’s degree	477	20.3%	12,168	17.2%	1,718,641	23.0%
Graduate or professional degree	307	13.1%	5,936	8.4%	1,036,280	13.8%

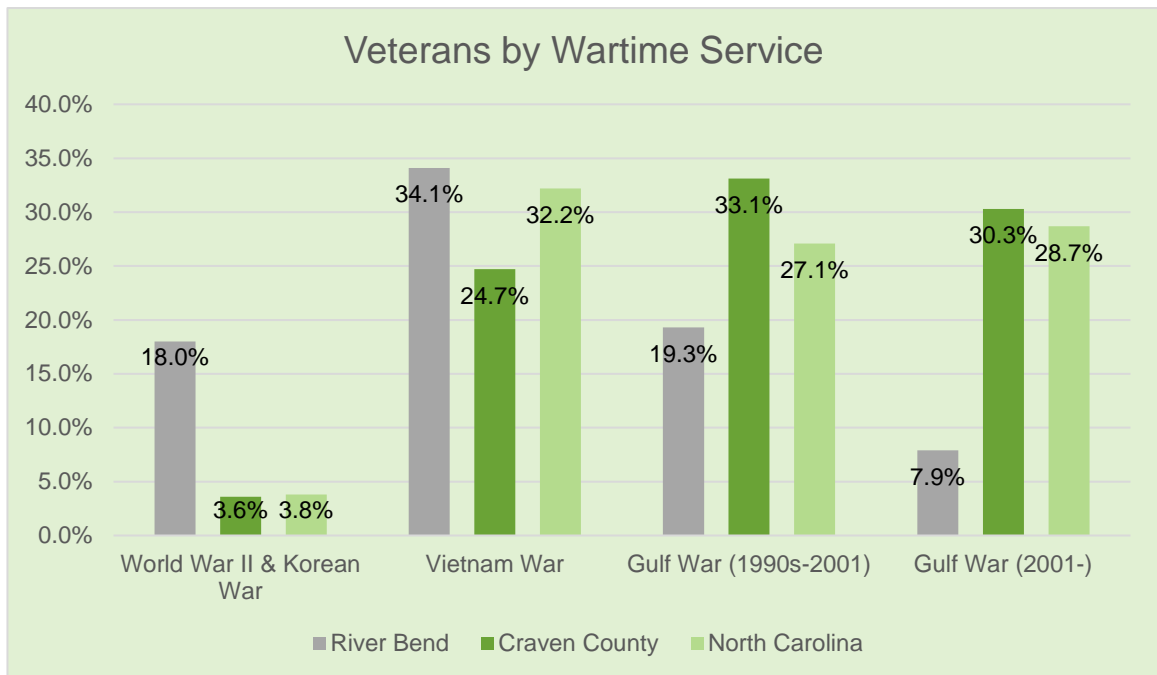
S1501 – Educational Attainment (US Census Bureau)



S1501 – Educational Attainment (US Census Bureau)

Veterans & Military

In 2022, 14.3% of River Bend’s population had veteran status; River Bend had 378 total veterans – 294 males and 84 females. A higher share of Craven County’s population had veteran status (15.7%); Craven County had 11,506 total veterans – 9,752 males and 1,754 females. River Bend had a significantly higher share of veterans who served in World War II and/or the Korean War (18.0%) than both Craven County (3.6%) and North Carolina (3.8%), and a much lower share of veterans who served in the most recent Gulf War (7.9%) compared to Craven County (30.3%) and North Carolina (28.7%).



S2101 – Veteran Status (US Census Bureau)

Household Characteristics

In 2023, the Town of River Bend had 1,345 total households and 875 family households (65.1%). River Bend had an average household size of 2.05 persons, slightly lower than Craven County's average household size of 2.39 persons and North Carolina's average household size of 2.40 persons.

Household Size	Town of River Bend	Craven County	North Carolina
Total Households	1,345	41,100	4,392,669
1-Person Household	28.1%	29.7%	29.1%
2-Person Household	50.2%	36.1%	36.2%
3-Person Household	15.6%	16.8%	15.4%
4-or-More-Person Household	6.1%	17.3%	19.3%

S2501 – Occupancy Characteristics (US Census Bureau)

Among persons 15 years of age and older, 63.5% of males and 54.0% of females are currently married, which is higher than the percentages in both Craven County and North Carolina. Consequently, the population of persons who have never married in River Bend is lower when compared to Craven County and North Carolina.

Marital Status	Town of River Bend		Craven County		North Carolina	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Population 15 years and over	1,215	1,481	41,461	43,187	4,329,463	4,611,456
Now Married	63.5%	54.0%	47.9%	45.6%	51.6%	47.0%
Widowed	1.2%	14.6%	4.0%	9.1%	2.8%	8.6%
Divorced	15.1%	9.7%	8.4%	12.6%	8.8%	11.9%
Separated	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	2.7%	1.6%	2.2%
Never Married	20.2%	19.9%	37.7%	28.7%	35.2%	30.2%

S1201 – Marital Status (US Census Bureau)

Occupancy & Housing Costs

Vacancy Status	Town of River Bend	Craven County	North Carolina
Total Housing Units	1,627	48,300	4,979,177
Vacant Housing Units	282	7,200	586,508
For Rent	30.1%	12.2%	17.4%
Rented, Unoccupied	0.0%	3.6%	4.0%
For Sale	0.0%	4.5%	6.0%
Sold, Unoccupied	0.0%	4.7%	3.2%
Seasonal/Occasional Use	25.5%	19.7%	32.5%
Other Vacant	44.3%	37.7%	36.6%

B25004 – Vacancy Status (US Census Bureau)

In 2023, the median value of owner-occupied housing units in the Town of River Bend was \$233,700, which is slightly higher than that of Craven County (\$229,500). Most homes in River Bend fall within the \$200,000-\$299,999 value range.

Value	Town of River Bend	Craven County	North Carolina
Owner-Occupied Housing Units	1,188	28,487	2,913,467
Under \$100,000	3.4%	20.3%	12.2%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	11.7%	8.0%	7.0%
\$150,000 - \$199,999	23.7%	12.4%	9.5%
\$200,000 - \$299,999	37.1%	26.6%	19.9%
\$300,000 - \$499,999	19.2%	21.6%	29.5%
\$500,000 - \$999,999	5.0%	10.1%	18.4%
\$1,000,000 or More	0.0%	1.1%	3.6%

DP04 – Selected Housing Characteristics (US Census Bureau)

Homeowners with and without mortgages have ongoing monthly costs. The selected costs used for these estimates include payments for mortgages or other debts on the property, real estate taxes, insurance, utilities, and other related costs. The median Selected Monthly Owner Costs (SMOC) in the Town of River Bend were slightly below the median costs in both Craven County and North Carolina.

Selected Monthly Owner Costs (SMOC)	Town of River Bend	Craven County	North Carolina
Housing Units with a Mortgage	680	14,291	1,785,195
Less than \$500	0.0%	0.0%	1.2%
\$500 - \$999	7.9%	16.9%	16.1%
\$1,000 - \$1,499	68.1%	39.0%	28.7%

\$1,500 - \$1,999	14.7%	23.6%	22.7%
\$2,000 - \$2,499	4.0%	8.5%	14.0%
\$2,500 - \$2,999	2.9%	8.1%	7.1%
\$3,000 or More	2.4%	3.8%	10.1%
Median SMOC	\$1,332	\$1,424	\$1,578

DP04 – Selected Housing Characteristics (US Census Bureau)

Economic Characteristics

In 2023, the per capita income in the Town of River Bend was \$38,496 and the median household income was \$68,314. In Craven County both the per capita income (\$36,111) and median household income (\$59,399) were lower than the Town of River Bend. However, Craven County had a higher percentage of households in the \$150,000+ range (11.9%) compared to the Town of River Bend (9.8%).

Household Income	Town of River Bend	Craven County	North Carolina
Total Households	1,345	41,100	4,392,669
Less than \$10,000	3.4%	6.5%	5.2%
\$10,000 - \$14,999	0.0%	4.4%	3.6%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	5.7%	9.7%	7.0%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	11.7%	7.8%	7.5%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	13.2%	13.8%	11.9%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	21.9%	17.2%	17.5%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	7.9%	11.8%	13.0%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	26.3%	17.0%	16.5%
\$150,000 - \$199,999	5.0%	5.3%	7.9%
\$200,000 or More	4.8%	6.6%	9.7%
Median Income	\$68,314	\$59,399	\$70,804
Mean Income	\$82,947	\$86,508	\$98,139

S1901 & B19301 – Income in the Past 12 Months (US Census Bureau)

Only 4.1% of River Bend residents are also employed within the Town of River Bend. 95.9% of residents are employed outside of the Town of River Bend. In Craven County, a significantly higher share of its residents are also employed in Craven County (48.9%); 51.1% of residents live within the county, but are employed elsewhere.

Inflow/Outflow Job Counts (All Jobs)	Town of River Bend		Craven County	
	Count	Share	Count	Share
Net Job Inflow (+) or Outflow (-)	-753		-4,394	
Living in the Area	1,086	100.0%	38,453	100.0%
Living & Employed in the Area	45	4.1%	18,786	48.9%
Living in the Area, Employed Outside	1,041	95.9%	19,667	51.1%
Employed in the Area	333	100%	34,059	100.0%
Employed & Living in the Area	45	13.5%	18,786	55.2%
Employed in the Area, Living Outside	288	86.5%	15,273	44.8%

Town of River Bend



LEHD, OnTheMap (US Census Bureau)

Town Vision

River Bend is a dynamic and uniquely located waterfront and golfing community well prepared to benefit from the area's historical and natural resources. By protecting its assets and actively fostering a diverse multi-aged population, the River Bend community will continue to be a safe, attractive place to live and will be competitively positioned to participate in the broader area's economic and population growth.



A Vision for the Future Looking Ahead

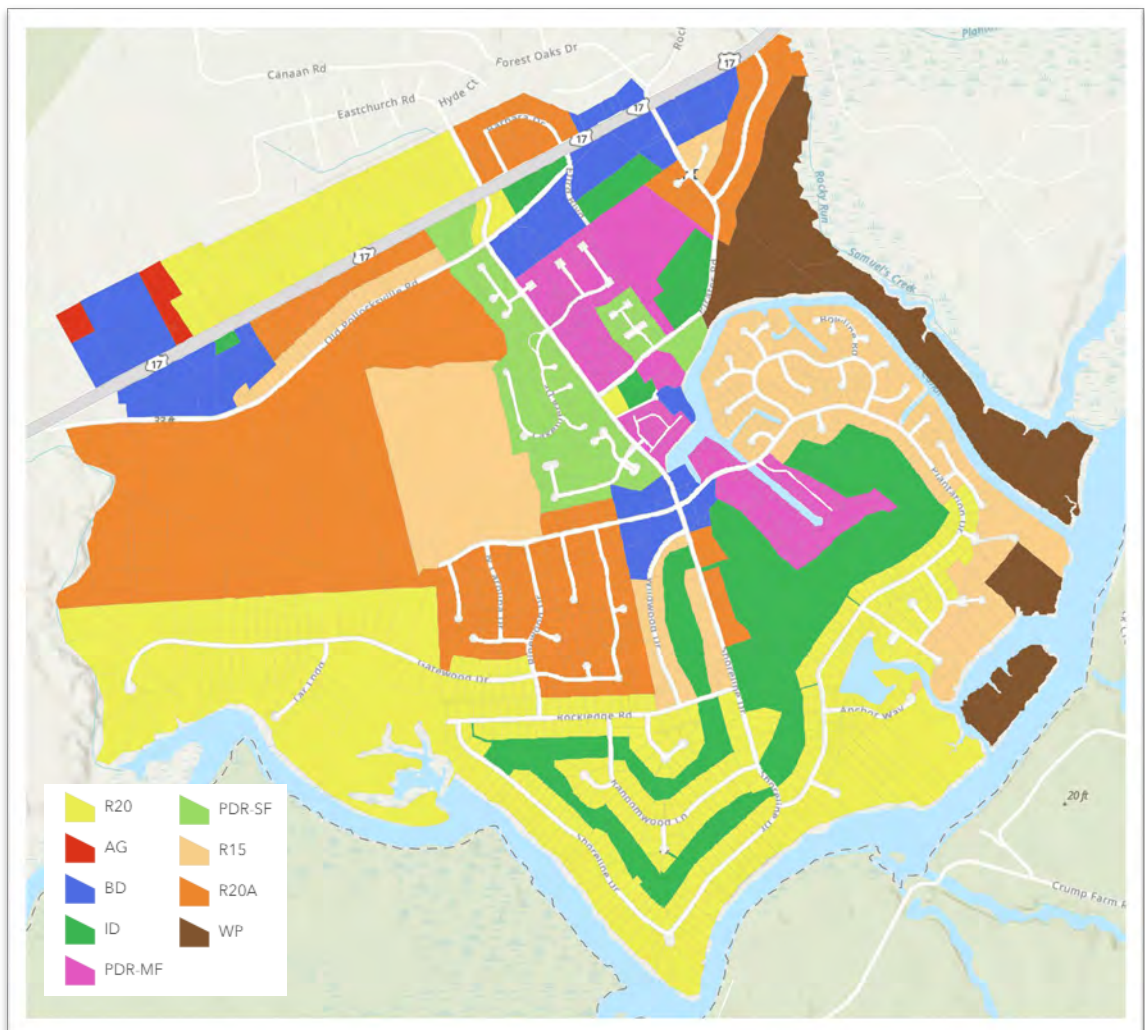
- » **Dynamic waterfront location** – The Town wants to take advantage of its unique location to encourage growth that fully utilizes the waterfront. A public kayak launch is available; considerations for a public boat launch should be made.
- » **A diverse multi-aged population** – The demographics of the Town have changed over the years. While it still trends to an older population, efforts should be made to encourage younger people and families to move to River Bend.
- » **Safe place to live** – The River Bend Police Department provides 24-hour coverage, seven days a week to provide timely response to emergency calls and practice proactive community policing. Our police force is continually looking for ways to improve to keep our citizens safe.
- » **Economic and population growth** – Our business district is relatively small but has seen some growth within recent years. The Town looks to encourage further business development and also new residential developments in the undeveloped areas of Town.

Land Use Patterns & Community Resources

To better plan for the future of the River Bend community, it is important to understand the existing features of the area, including the existing land use and environmental constraints.

Existing Land Use & Development

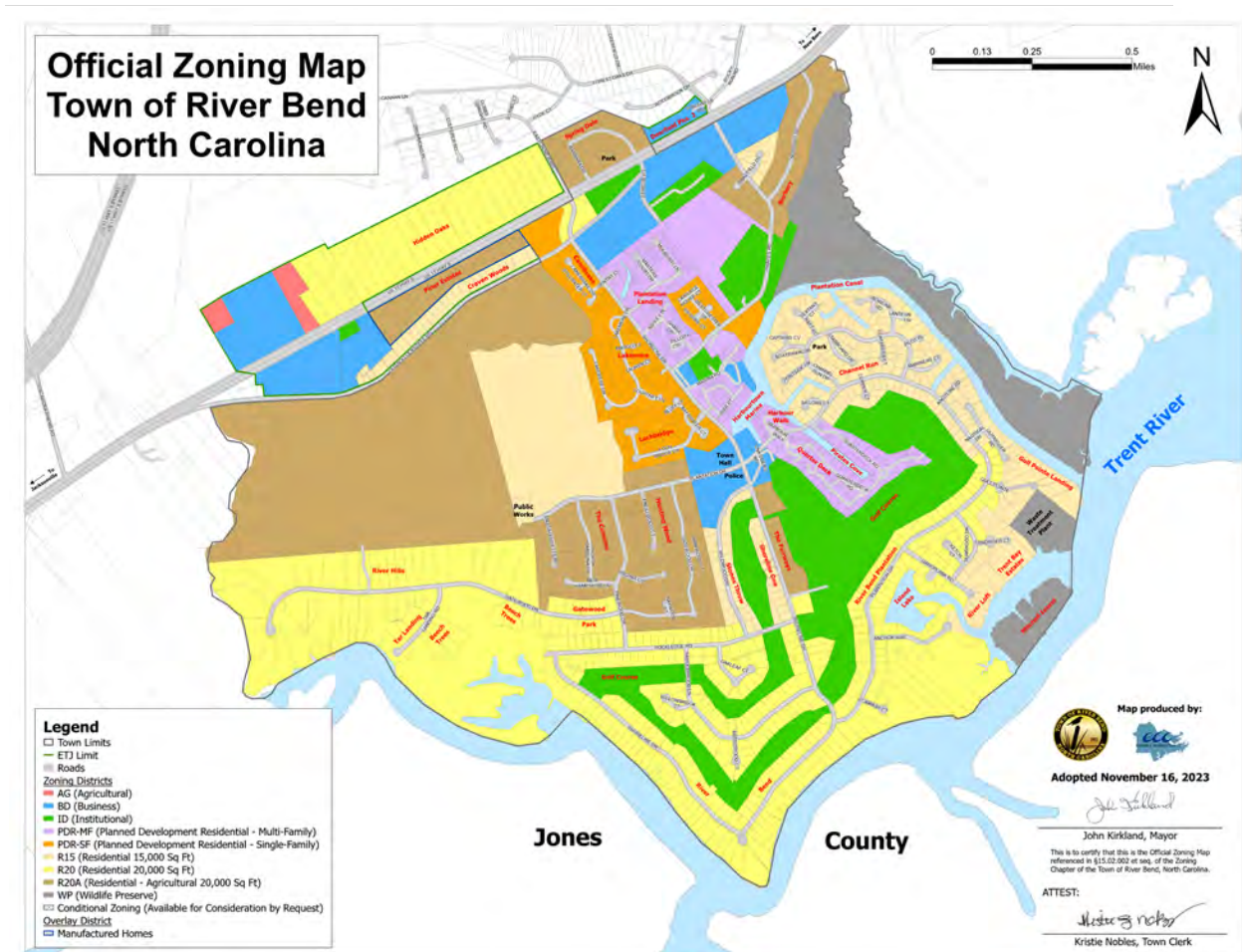
The Town of River Bend began as a residential development centered around an 18-hole golf course, 36-stall riding academy, and a marina. The first family moved into the new development in July 1969. Since then, there have been many residential subdivisions developed with a variety of housing options and a slow, but significant, increase in commercial and institutional development. The Town of River Bend remains primarily a residential community, and the majority of the undeveloped parcels are currently zoned for residential uses.



Current Zoning (Map)

The following zoning classifications are contained within the Town of River Bend (both within the town limits and the ETJ):

- » AG (Agricultural) – designated as prime farmland
- » BD (Business) – commercial development for retail, office space, etc.
- » ID (Institutional) – established for churches, private clubs, academic facilities, health-related facilities, etc.
- » PDR-MF (Planned Development Residential – Multi-Family) – residential district with 1 and 2 story attached condominiums, apartments, and townhouses with no more than 4 dwelling units in a single building; no more than 6.5 dwellings per acre of land
- » PDR-SF (Planned Development Residential – Single-Family) – residential district for single-family detached dwellings; no more than 4 dwellings per acre of land
- » R15 (Residential) – residential district for single-family detached dwellings; minimum lot size of 15,000 square feet
- » R20 (Residential) – residential district for single-family detached dwellings; minimum lot size of 20,000 square feet
- » R20A (Residential/Agricultural) – designated for both agricultural and residential uses; minimum lot size of 20,000 square feet
- » WP (Wildlife Preserve) – established to protect the wetland habitat



Current Land Use

These estimates include both property within the town limits and within the extra-territorial jurisdiction.

Land Use Category	Acres	Percentage
Agricultural	110.36	5.2%
Civic	25.29	1.2%
Commercial	103.60	4.9%
Golf Course	141.23	6.6%
Institutional	166.39	5.5%
Residential	1133.33	53.1%
Undeveloped and/or Forested	367.70	17.2%
Wildlife Preserve	84.6	4.0%

Community Facilities & Public Infrastructure

Transportation & Traffic

The roadway network in the Town of River Bend primarily consists of secondary and local roads that connect with the main highway at the entrance of town. US Highway 17.

The Town of River Bend Police Department maintains a Traffic Unit to provide motor vehicle law enforcement combined with educational initiatives and accurate crash scene investigations to enhance the Town's quality of transportation. The team maintains close working relationships with other Town departments, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and the Governor's Highway Safety Program.

Parks & Recreation

The Town of River Bend has several recreational amenities for the enjoyment of residents of all ages.

- » Two playgrounds, one near Town Hall, and the other in the Springdale subdivision.
- » A skateboard park near Town Hall
- » A basketball court on Wildwood Drive near Public Works
- » A volleyball court on Town Commons
- » Two large "recreation" fields – Town Commons and Ritter Field - include a walking trail and fitness trail
- » A smaller "recreation" field at the corner of Starboard Drive/Channel Run Drive
- » Kayak / Canoe Launch to the Trent River
- » A dog park adjacent to the skateboard park

We also have a small picnic shelter (with restrooms), a gazebo in Town Hall Park, and two docks overlooking Town Hall pond.

Natural Resources & Environmental Protection

Water

Our water system withdraws from the Castle Hayne Aquifer through three wells with a combined capacity of 925,000 gallons per day. Two elevated storage tanks with a total capacity of 400,000 gallons ensure a consistent supply and adequate pressure throughout the system.

The water in the Castle Hayne Aquifer, while plentiful, requires treatment to remove iron and manganese. Using pH adjustment, pressure filters and adding chlorine, our operators ensure that clean water is ready for our customers to use.

Water is transmitted to nearly 1500 households through 19 miles of pipe ranging in size from 2 to 8 inches in diameter. In addition to providing water for consumption, our system also stands ready in the event of fire. There are 108 hydrants located throughout the system to give the fire department ample access to water for their work.

The Town of River Bend owns and operates a Wastewater Treatment and Collection system serving approximately 950 households and businesses. Wastewater is collected from our customers and transmitted via approximately 11 miles of gravity and force main pipes. Eight lift stations pressurize portions of the system, so the waste is efficiently moved to our treatment facility on Gull Pointe Drive.

For a three-bedroom home, the state standard for waste treatment usage is 330 gallons per day (110 gallons per bedroom). In theory, that would translate to 313,500 gallons per day of usage for

us. By that standard, we should be using 95% of our permitted capacity. In reality, on average, we only use about 36% of our permitted capacity.

The North Carolina Department of Water Quality (DWQ) administers federal and state regulations designed to protect the quality of the receiving waters. Part of this administration is the issuance of permits for treatment facilities like the one we have here in River Bend. Our treatment plant has a permitted capacity of 330,000 gallons per day and discharges treated effluent to the Trent River. We take weekly samples of our effluent to test chemical and nutrient content to ensure our plant is operating effectively and we are within the limits established by DWQ.

The Town holds three discharge permits, one for the main wastewater plant, and the other two to discharge backwash for our water treatment filters.



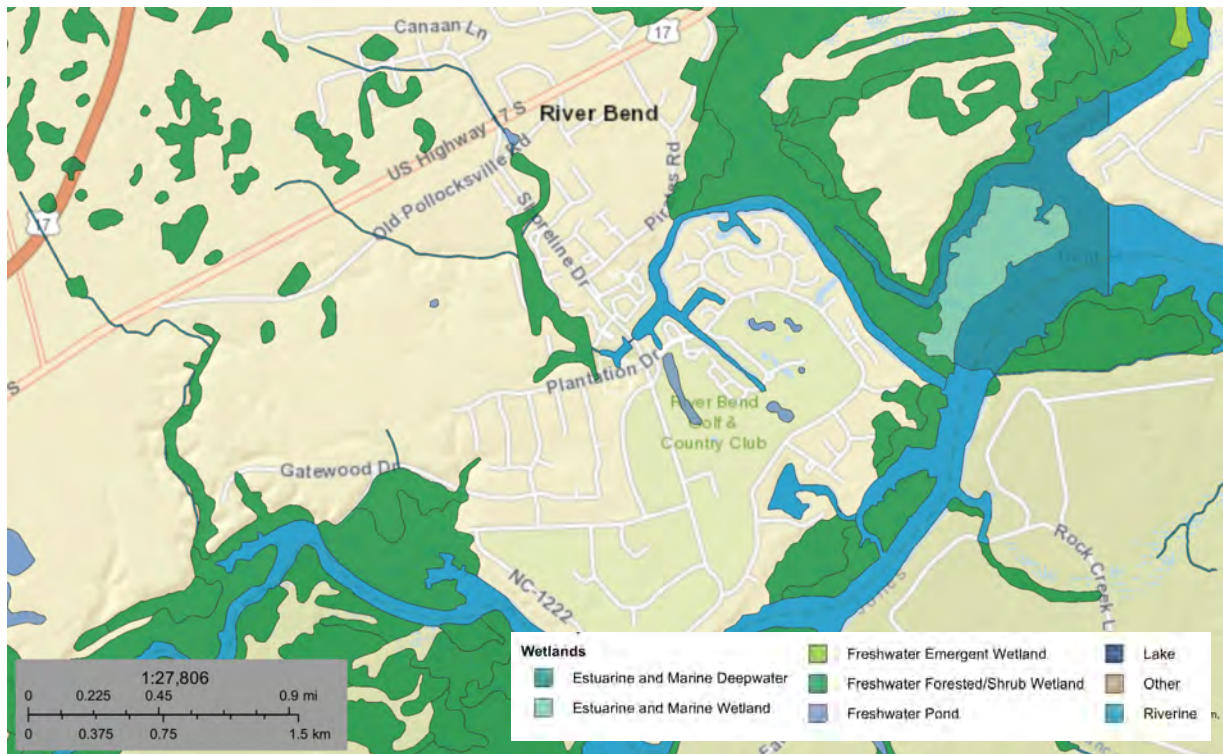
Neuse River Basin (Map)

Wetlands

The wetlands within the Town of River Bend primarily fall into one of two categories:

- » Riverine – The Riverine System includes all wetlands and deepwater habitats contained within a channel, with two exceptions: (1) wetlands dominated by trees, shrubs, persistent emergents, emergent mosses, or lichens, and (2) habitats with water containing ocean-derived salts of 0.5 ppt or greater. The riverine areas within the Town of River Bend are also contained within the tidal subsystem – the gradient is low and water velocity fluctuates under tidal influence.
- » Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland – The Palustrine System includes all nontidal wetlands dominated by trees, shrubs, persistent emergents, emergent mosses or lichens, and all such wetlands that occur in tidal areas where salinity due to ocean-derived salts is below 0.5 ppt. It also includes wetlands lacking such vegetation, but with all of the following four characteristics: (1) area less than 8 ha (20 acres); (2) active wave-formed or bedrock shoreline features lacking;

(3) water depth in the deepest part of basin less than 2.5 m (8.2 ft) at low water; and (4) salinity due to ocean-derived salts less than 0.5 ppt. It is also characterized by woody vegetation that is 6 meters tall or taller, majority deciduous, and semi permanently flooded.

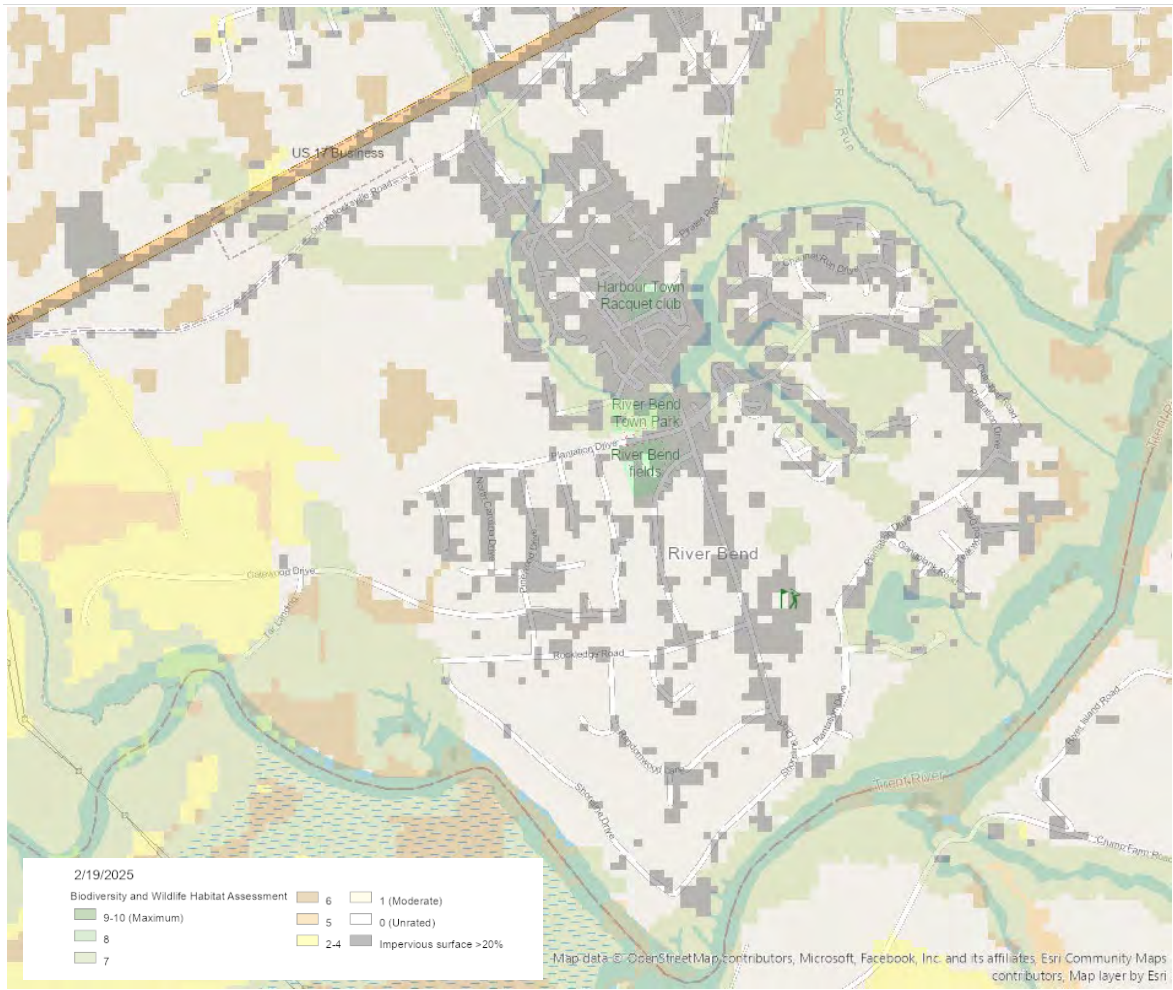


Wetlands (Map)

Biodiversity & Wildlife Habitats

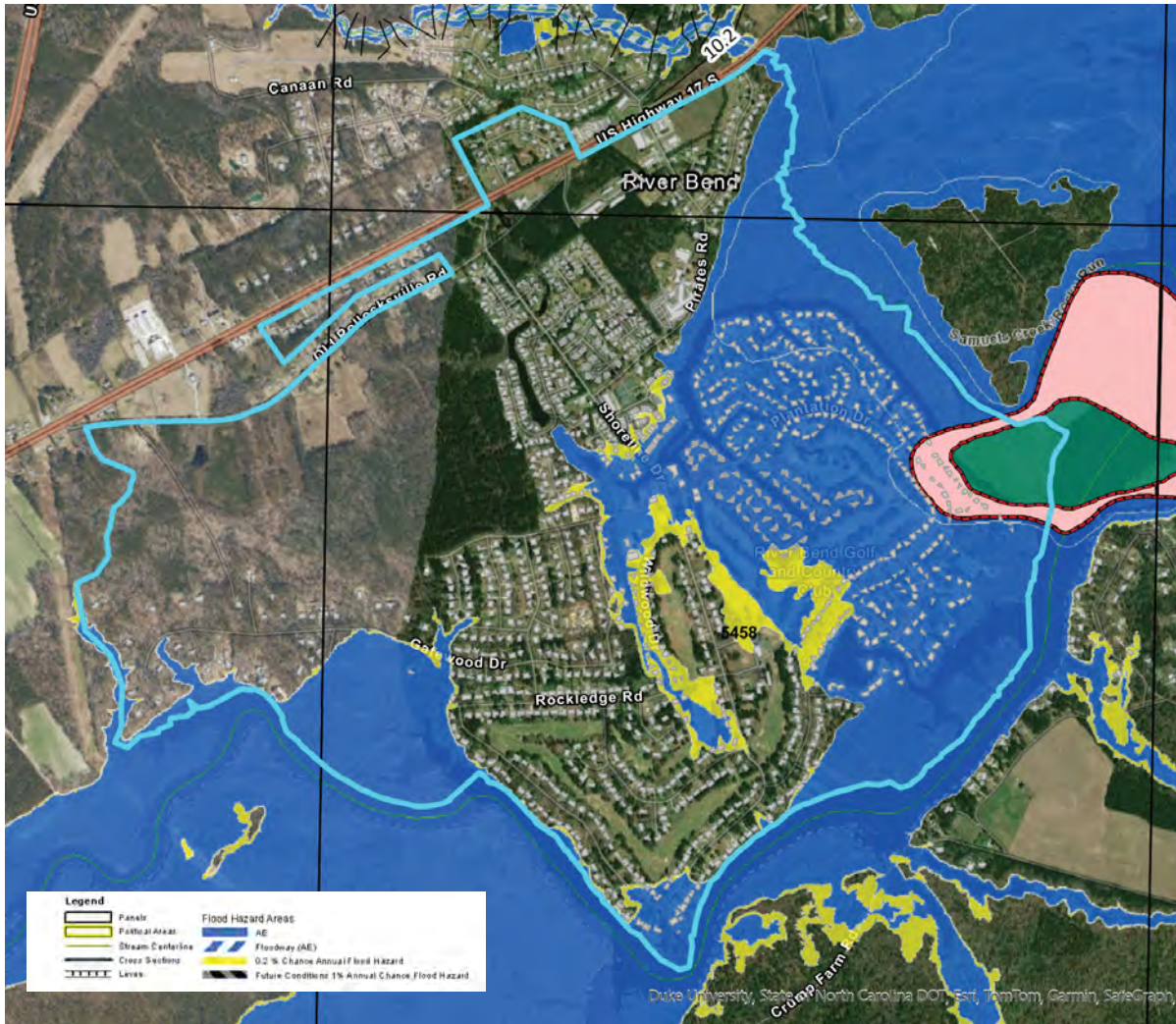
Riverine habitats are important for several wildlife species, especially to herpetofauna that utilize aquatic habitats during part of all of their life cycle, and to a variety of common mammals that are semi-aquatic and/or that have an aquatic food base (e.g., beavers, river otters, certain bats).

The Neuse River Basin, in which the Town of River Bend lies, is home to a variety of species – some rare – including the Neuse River waterdog, an aquatic salamander that is found nowhere else in the world outside the Neuse and Tar-Pamlico river basins.



Biodiversity Map

Floodplain



Floodplain Area Map

Community Vision & Future Planning

Land Use Goals

In order to provide more detailed guidance to Town leaders as they consider future land use decisions, this Plan identifies a series of goals and objectives for specific topic areas. Goals are statements that identify what should happen, and objectives are statements that identify actions or methods to achieve the goals. Each goal will typically have several objectives related to it.

Preserve and celebrate small-town charm, scale, and community roots	Proactively use regulatory mechanisms such as nuisance, minimum housing, zoning, and junk vehicle ordinances to ensure continued maintenance and upkeep of properties, including the use of condemnation when appropriate.
	Maintain the Town Hall and Municipal Building as the center of the community’s civic life through the continued siting of public buildings, parks, and other civic institutions.

Coordinated, intentional, and well-planned growth and development	Discourage development that would disrupt the integrity and cohesiveness of existing neighborhoods.
	Promote development patterns that allow safe and convenient access between residential areas and shopping, services, community amenities, recreation, and public facilities.
	Encourage future development to occur within the existing town limits, or in designated growth areas with access to existing water and sewer services, and other community facilities; encourage infill development.
	Plan for continued growth and development that improves the quality of life within the Town of River Bend—growth that improves the community rather than growth for growth’s sake.
	Continued pursuit of plans and funding that would lead to the construction of an additional road connecting the southern half of River Bend with Old Pollocksville Road to create an alternate egress and access route.
	Encourage adherence to the Town's Special Flood Hazard Area Development guidelines either by limiting development in high risk areas or by ensuring that proper flood prevention and reduction methods are followed.

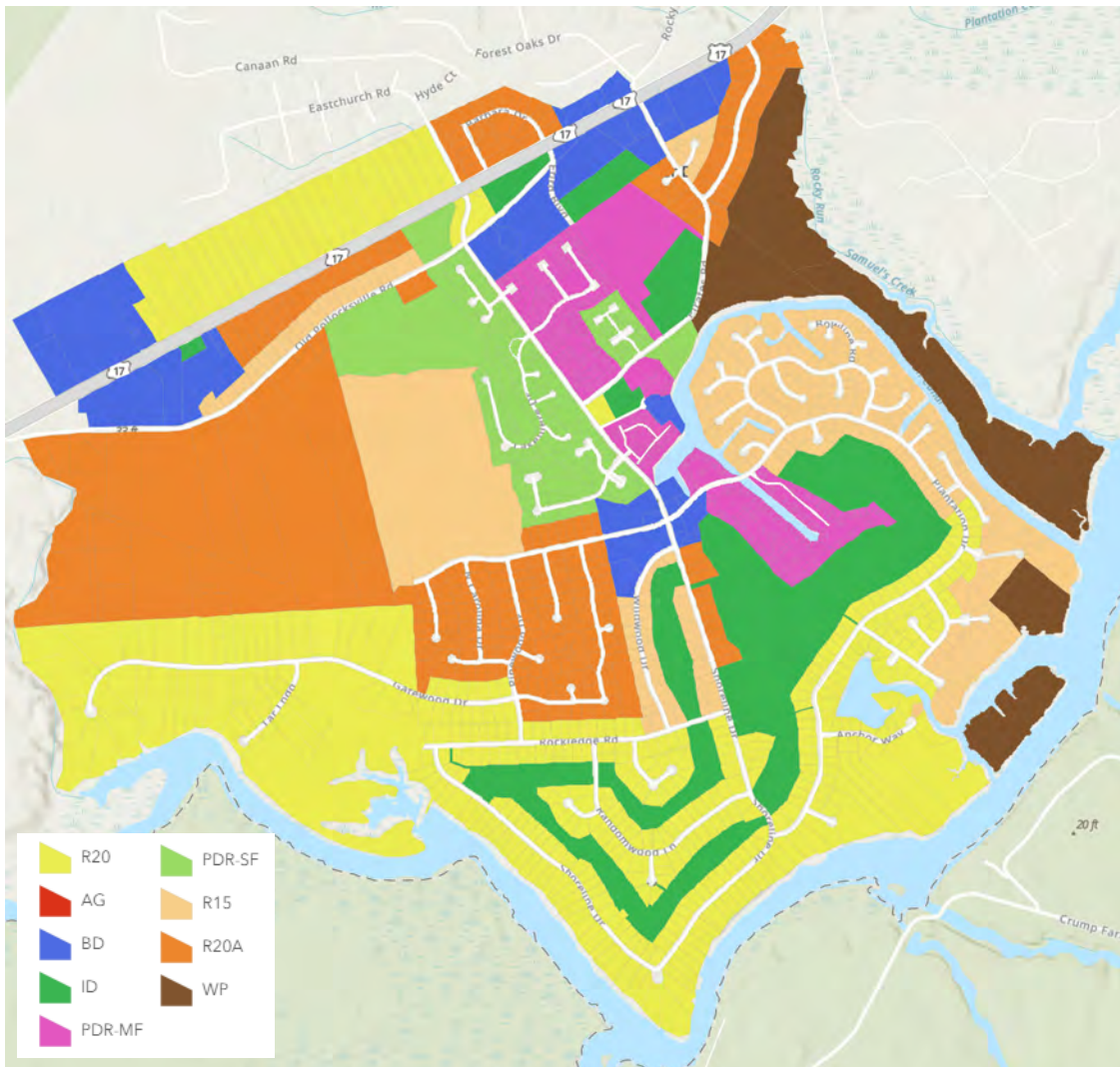
Protection of open space and critical natural features	Encourage and promote the preservation of significant open spaces, wetlands, floodplains, and stream corridors in their natural condition.
	Limit and/or mitigate the negative impacts of development on the environment.
	Balance the need to conserve land while allowing purposeful, quality development in strategic locations to meet the needs of River Bend residents, visitors, and businesses.
Support for business development	Ensure that commercial and industrial development is appropriately buffered from neighboring land uses through buffer and screening requirements.
	Encourage non-residential development that is aesthetically pleasing and meets the market and economic development needs of the community; promote emerging green industries when possible.
High-quality parks and recreational facilities that are accessible to all	Ensure parks, greenways, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and community centers/facilities are located conveniently throughout the Town and connected to each other and the surrounding neighborhoods in a way that ensures broad access.
	Provide both passive and active recreational opportunities for River Bend residents by protecting natural resources that have recreational, environmental, or aesthetic value.
Regulations that are consistent with the Town’s vision	Amend ordinances as needed to address changes in physical, social, or environmental circumstances that make existing regulations unnecessary, outdated, or obsolete; or to accommodate new uses or situations that arise and are not clearly covered by existing ordinances.
	Modify ordinances to be more understandable and user-friendly when possible.

Future Land Use

In crafting a vision for the future development patterns of the Town of River Bend, this plan aims to provide a framework this is both descriptive and flexible – descriptive enough to provide the Town’s decision makers with clear information on the intended vision, but flexible enough to allow decision makers latitude in the interpretation of the vision.

The Future Land Use Map found in this chapter should not be interpreted as a regulatory document, such as a zoning map. Instead, it should be viewed as general guidance to help the Town’s decision makers make clear, informed decisions in support of an agreed-upon vision.

As a general guide, most growth is anticipated to occur in and around the existing northwest quadrant of town, as well as limited development in the US Highway 17 corridor.



Conclusion

Achievement of these goals and objectives will require major effort on the part of the Town Council, the Planning Board, the Board of Adjustment and citizens in the planning area. Existing ordinances and land use control tools and enforcement of these controls are the most efficient method of implementing the Land Use Plan. The zoning ordinance is the most effective tool for implementation as it is concerned with land use, intensity, and placement of buildings. Other tools currently in force in the planning area are building codes and subdivision regulations. These tools, when properly enforced, will ensure implementation of the Land Use Plan.

As the population of Craven County grows, the Town of River Bend needs to be prepared to meet the growth demands. As this growth continues to impact the community, it will be incredibly important for the Town's decision makers to intentionally implement the vision outlined in this plan—a vibrant, active community with a charming hometown character that complements its natural environment, reflects its cultural heritage, and is connected to the larger region.



**River Bend Town Council
Budget Workshop Minutes
April 28, 2026
River Bend Town Hall
4:00 P.M.**

Present Council Members: Mayor Mark Bledsoe
Brian Leonard
Kathy Noonan
Buddy Sheffield
Jeff Weaver
Lisa Benton

Town Manager: Delane Jackson
Finance Director: Mandy Gilbert

Members of the Public Present: 2

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

Councilwoman Noonan motioned to accept the draft agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Leonard motioned to approve the Wastewater Collection System Grant Application Resolution as presented (see attached). The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Benton motioned to approve the Water AIA Projection Completion Resolution as presented (see attached). The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Benton motioned to approve the Sewer AIA Projection Completion Resolution as presented (see attached). The motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor then called on Manager Jackson to begin his presentation. The Council agreed to pause for public comments/questions after items #4, 10 and 14 on the agenda. Councilman Sheffield stated that he wanted to take a moment and say a few words about former Councilman Bud Van Slyke, who had recently passed at the age of 93. Councilman Sheffield praised Bud for the leadership he had exhibited in the area of finance and budgeting and acknowledged Bud's contribution to the town's current fiscal wellbeing. All agreed.

The Manager then began discussions of the Proposed Budget for FY2026-2027, which included a PowerPoint presentation. He presented the Council's priorities and vision statement, which were approved at the February 12, 2026 Council meeting. The Manager noted the "Fundamentals of Budgeting 101" slides. He also noted the slide that outlined his 10 main goals during budget preparation. He stated that he felt his recommended budget accomplishes 10 of 10 goals.

The Manager began to follow the advertised budget agenda and presented details related to employee compensation and staffing levels, followed by the capital improvement plans, utility and fuel prices, the vehicle replacement plan, IT and various budget-related topics. During the vehicle

replacement plan item, the Manager recommended retaining the police vehicle that is scheduled for replacement and to use it as a spare vehicle. He also noted that this year's CIP included funding for future road projects and two pickleball courts. That was followed by a detailed discussion of the following departments: governing board, administration, finance, tax listing, legal services, elections, street maintenance, stormwater, public works and public buildings.

There was some discussion about the COLA and inflation and the rising costs of many items/services in the budget. There was some discussion about the fund balance in the general fund. There was also some discussion about the North Carolina General Assembly's possible action to limit property tax rate increases by local governments. No questions were posed by the public during the meeting. Councilman Weaver asked the Manager if River Bend had ever completed a pay study. The Manager replied that it had not been done during his 12-year tenure and he was not aware of one ever being done. The Manager did point out that each year he uses data from the NCLM's Salary Survey to compare employee salaries in our population group. Councilman Weaver then asked if our salaries were comparable. Jackson replied in his opinion, yes.

The Manager ended the session with a slide that showed a summary of the departments that had been discussed and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Councilman Weaver motioned to recess the meeting until April 30, 2026 at 4 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting recessed at 5:10 p.m.

Delane Jackson, Town Manager

**RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE COMPLETION OF THE
RIVER BEND WASTEWATER SYSTEM
ASSET AND INVENTORY ASSESSMENT GRANT
STATE PROJECT NO. AIA-W-ARP-0131**

- WHEREAS, The Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987 and the North Carolina Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 (NCGS 159G) have authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction and planning of improvements of wastewater and drinking water systems, and
- WHEREAS, The North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure (NCDWI) administers the Asset Inventory and Assessment Grant (AIA) program in North Carolina; and
- WHEREAS, The Town of River Bend has been awarded funding in the amount of \$150,000 to complete an asset inventory and assessment of the wastewater system described as the River Bend Wastewater System Asset Inventory and Assessment, and
- WHEREAS, The total grant amount will be \$150,000 with the Town of River Bend, and
- WHEREAS, Municipal Engineering, Inc., was awarded the contract with the Town of River Bend to perform the work and complete the deliverables outlined in the Asset and Inventory Assessment Grant, and
- WHEREAS, The project has been completed and all project tasks have been completed and all project deliverables have been provided to the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of River Bend confirms completion and acceptance of the work performed as outlined in the Wastewater System Asset Inventory and Assessment Grant and Executive Summary.

Adopted this 28th day of April, 2026.



TOWN OF RIVER BEND

By:


Mark Bledsoe, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kristie J. Nobles, Town Clerk, MMC, NCCMC

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE COMPLETION OF THE
RIVER BEND WATER SYSTEM
ASSET AND INVENTORY ASSESSMENT GRANT
STATE PROJECT NO. AIA-D-ARP-0132**

- WHEREAS, The Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987 and the North Carolina Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 (NCGS 159G) have authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction and planning of improvements of wastewater and drinking water systems, and
- WHEREAS, The North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure (NCDWI) administers the Asset Inventory and Assessment Grant (AIA) program in North Carolina; and
- WHEREAS, The Town of River Bend has been awarded funding in the amount of \$150,000 to complete an asset inventory and assessment of the water system described as the River Bend Water System Asset Inventory and Assessment, and
- WHEREAS, The total grant amount will be \$150,000 with the Town of River Bend, and
- WHEREAS, Municipal Engineering, Inc., was awarded the contract with the Town of River Bend to perform the work and complete the deliverables outlined in the Asset and Inventory Assessment Grant, and
- WHEREAS, The project has been completed and all project tasks have been completed and all project deliverables have been provided to the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of River Bend confirms completion and acceptance of the work performed as outlined in the Water System Asset Inventory and Assessment Grant and Executive Summary.

Adopted this 28th day of April, 2026.



TOWN OF RIVER BEND

By:


Mark Bledsoe, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kristie J. Nobles, Town Clerk, MMC, NCCMC

RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

WHEREAS, The Town of River Bend has need for and intends to construct, plan for, or conduct a study in a project described as Wastewater Collection System Pump Stations and Forcemain Improvements, and

WHEREAS, The Town of River Bend intends to request State loan and/or grant assistance for the project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVER BEND:

That Town of River Bend, the **Applicant**, will arrange financing for all remaining costs of the project, if approved for a State loan and/or grant award.

That the **Applicant** will provide for efficient operation and maintenance of the project on completion of construction thereof.

That the **Applicant** will adopt and place into effect on or before completion of the project a schedule of fees and charges and other available funds which will provide adequate funds for proper operation, maintenance, and administration of the system and the repayment of all principal and interest on the debt.

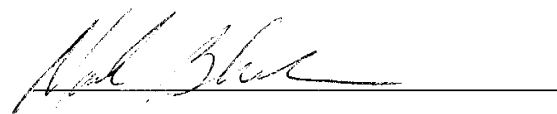
That the governing body of the **Applicant** agrees to include in the loan agreement a provision authorizing the State Treasurer, upon failure of the Town of River Bend to make a scheduled repayment of the loan, to withhold from the Town of River Bend any State funds that would otherwise be distributed to the local government unit in an amount sufficient to pay all sums then due and payable to the State as a repayment of the loan.

That Delane Jackson, Town Manager, the **Authorized Representative** and successor so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the **Applicant** with the State of North Carolina for a loan and/or grant to aid in the study of or construction of the project described above.

That the **Authorized Representative**, and successors so titled, are hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project: to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the **Applicant** has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and funding conditions applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this on the April 28th, 2026 at River Bend, North Carolina.



Mark Bledsoe, Mayor

FORM FOR CERTIFICATION BY THE RECORDING OFFICER

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Town Clerk of the Town of River Bend does hereby certify: That the above/attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the State of North Carolina, as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Town Council duly held on the 28th day of April 2026; and, further, that such resolution has been fully recorded in the journal of proceedings and records in my office. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of April 2026.



(Signature of Recording Officer)

Kristie J. Nobles, MMC, NCCMC

(Title of Recording Officer)



Note: An Attestation by the Clerk/Recording Officer may be used in lieu of the Form for Certification by the Recording Officer.

**River Bend Town Council
Budget Workshop Minutes
April 30, 2026
River Bend Town Hall
4:00 P.M.**

Present Council Members: Mayor Mark Bledsoe
Brian Leonard
Kathy Noonan
Buddy Sheffield
Lisa Benton

Absent Council Member: Jeff Weaver

Town Manager: Delane Jackson
Finance Director: Mandy Gilbert
Police Chief: Sean Joll

Members of the Public Present: 4

The Mayor called the meeting back to order at 4:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Noonan motioned to accept the draft agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor called upon Manager Jackson to discuss the Eastern Carolina Council (ECC) Membership Resolution. The Manager explained that many members have withdrawn from the ECC. He stated that if the Council wants River Bend to withdraw, the resolution needs to be adopted. The Manager explained that he had received the invoice for FY26-27 ECC membership dues and they remained unchanged and that our total was less than \$1,200. He recommended staying for one more year and reassessing ECC's position during next year's budget process. The Mayor opened the floor for a motion. No motion was presented. The Mayor stated that the matter dies due to the lack of a motion. The Manager stated that meant that the town would remain as a member of ECC for FY26-27.

The Council agreed to pause for public comments/questions after items 18, 21 and 23 on the agenda. The meeting began with a presentation from the Police Chief about the River Bend PD and the PD's budget for next year and a report of their activities during 2025. After his presentation the Chief left.

That was followed by a detailed discussion of the following departments: recreation and special events, parks and CAC, emergency services, wetlands and waterways, leaf and limb, planning and zoning, general fund revenues and fund balance. During the P&R and CAC discussions, the Manager discussed the budget requests and the activities that both groups had planned for FY 26-27.

During the revenue discussions, the Manager stated that the local sales tax revenues had been lower than anticipated during the most recent quarter for FY26-27. There was a discussion about Powell Bill revenue and how that impacted the town's ability to fund street paving. There was also a discussion about how the town's tax rate impacted our sales tax revenues. Councilman Leonard noted that leaving the tax rate as-is could reduce our sales tax revenues if other towns increased their rate. The Manager agreed and reported that New Bern has a proposed 4 cent tax increase, but the County has no proposed tax increase. There was some discussion about the ongoing possibility of the state taking steps to restrict all towns' ability to raise tax rates.

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Councilman Leonard asked the Manager if there was some other way to generate revenue for street paving. The Manager stated that the vehicle license fee could be raised. He also stated that the town could assess a stormwater impact fee, similar to New Bern's, and use that revenue for stormwater costs and then re-allocate the current property tax revenue which is used to fund stormwater to fund street projects. He stated that would basically be a re-shuffling of revenues to pay for street projects.

The Manager ended the session with several slides that showed the recent history and projections for fund balance. He noted the fund balance projection for FY ending 2026 is 56.2% and the projection for FY ending 2027 is 76.2%. He stated that these are only in-house projections and not the same as the audited fund balance figures. He ended his presentation by saying that he was done with general fund related departments and in the absence of Council action, he intended to move forward as discussed.

Councilman Sheffield motioned to recess the meeting until May 11, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting recessed at 5:06 p.m.

Delane Jackson, Town Manager

**River Bend Town Council
Budget Workshop Minutes
May 11, 2026
River Bend Town Hall
4:00 P.M.**

Present Council Members: Mayor Mark Bledsoe
Brian Leonard
Kathy Noonan
Buddy Sheffield
Jeff Weaver

Absent Council Member: Lisa Benton

Town Manager: Delane Jackson
Finance Director: Mandy Gilbert
Public Works Director: Brandon Mills

Members of the Public Present: 1

The Mayor called the meeting back to order at 4:00 p.m. and recognized the Town Manager. The Manager began by stating that since there were no additional items to discuss, they would follow the previously presented agenda for the budget workshop. All agreed.

The Manager stated that Public Works Director Brandon Mills was present to answer any questions related to water or sewer operations. The Manager stated that a few things had changed since the last meeting related to medical and property insurance costs. He suggested that he come back to those items after the enterprise fund proposals had been presented. All agreed.

The Manager then discussed the proposed budgets for the enterprise funds. The Manager followed the advertised agenda and presented details related to water and sewer funds cash levels, all water and sewer fund departments, water and sewer capital improvement plans, the utility rate model and revenues for the water and sewer funds. The Manager noted the need to change language in our fee schedule and change the “hydrant fee” to “availability fee” thus allowing the town legal authority to collect unpaid fees. He also noted that the change would include no change in cost to customers. All agreed. Brandon Mills answered questions from Council along the way. Councilman Sheffield asked Brandon his opinion of how the water treatment process was going. Brandon replied that it was going well and that there had been some positive feedback from the public to support that. He also stated that once the pilot study treatment process was approved by the state, it would reduce the cost of treatment and the required manpower to operate the system.

The Manager presented slides from the water and sewer rate model and stated that his proposal contained no changes to the rates. He showed what impact the future projections had on the water and sewer cash reserves and said those reserves needed to be monitored closely over the next few years after the town’s debt service was paid off. Everyone was satisfied with the rate model projections and agreed to no rate increases for FY26-27.

With no further questions or comments about the enterprise funds, the Manager began discussion on insurance costs. He stated that the renewal cost for medical insurance was a 26% increase

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and the proposed budget only included funding for a 10% increase, thus creating a \$29,000 shortfall. He then stated that he had received another property insurance quote from the NC League of Municipalities which was \$24,000 less than what was budgeted for that item. He then stated that he had met with the medical insurance agent today and discussed options to lower the town's medical insurance costs. He informed the Council that the town's transitional plan status has ended and those plans were no longer available. He presented a printout to Council and went on to explain that the closest coverage now available was a gold-level plan and its cost was 26% more than the current coverage. He presented 2 silver-level plans and suggested that the town offer those coverages as no-cost options to employees and to offer 1 gold-level option to employees, but with the requirement that the employee must pay a portion of the premium. He suggested presenting these 3 options to employees and let them decide which plan was best for them. He stated that offering these 3 options, as presented, would keep the costs within the current budget and actually create a little surplus. All agreed to these plans for medical and property insurance coverage.

The Manager stated that the next budget session was basically dedicated to the tax rate and stated that there had been some questions about what to do in regard to the tax rate due to recent action by the General Assembly regarding the possibility of limiting towns' authority to set their tax rate. He also stated that the proposed budget did not include a tax rate change and if the Council was satisfied with that, there was no need to further discuss tax rates. Councilman Leonard stated that he thinks we should discuss it. Councilman Weaver said he also wanted to discuss the town's pay plan. There were no objections.

Councilman Weaver motioned to recess the meeting until May 14, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting recessed at 5:06 p.m.

Delane Jackson, Town Manager

**River Bend Town Council
Budget Workshop Minutes
May 14, 2026
River Bend Town Hall
4:00 P.M.**

Present Council Members: Mayor Mark Bledsoe
Brian Leonard
Kathy Leonard
Buddy Sheffield
Jeff Weaver
Lisa Benton

Town Manager: Delane Jackson
Finance Director: Mandy Gilbert

Members of the Public Present 2

The Mayor called the meeting back to order at 4:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Noonan motioned to accept the draft agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor recognized the Town Manager. The Manager began by following the budget workshop agenda as scheduled and presented a PowerPoint presentation showing how the 28¢ tax rate would impact revenues for the town along with historical tax rate data. The Manager also discussed the proposed fee schedule and utility rates and fees and stated that there were no changes recommended except changing the terminology from hydrant fee to availability fee.

The Manager asked if any other budget items needed discussion. Councilman Leonard stated that he wanted to revisit the proposed tax rate. After a lengthy discussion, Council members Leonard, Noonan and Weaver said they supported a tax rate increase of 2¢ to 30¢. Council members Benton and Sheffield were opposed to a tax rate increase and suggested cutting items from the budget, such as pickleball, in lieu of a tax increase. There was also a discussion about the on-going progress of the General Assembly taking steps to possibly limit the ability of towns in the state to set their own tax rate and how that might impact future budgets. Councilwoman Benton asked about the town's fund balance projection. The Manager stated it was projected to be around 76% and \$1,700,000 at the end of FY26-27. Councilwoman Benton stated that she believed the town's fund balance was in good shape and reiterated that she did not support a tax increase. The public was given an opportunity to offer comments. Neither opposed the tax increase.

The Manager stated he would modify the budget proposal to include a tax rate of 30¢ but it would not become official until the Council adopts the FY26-27 Budget Ordinance. He also stated that the administration department, in the general fund, needed to be increased to include some salary expenses related to the recently received grants and that he would include those changes in the proposed budget. He stated that he had recently discussed those changes with the Finance Director in an attempt to fund them during the current budget year, but both agreed it would be best to fund those costs in the next fiscal year. All agreed. He then stated that he had all of the information that he needed to complete the budget proposal.

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Due to the time, he suggested forgoing the closed session which was on the agenda and recommended adding it to the upcoming Council work session meeting agenda which was scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. All agreed. He stated that he could present the draft budget message at the May 21 Council meeting, as has been done in the past and thus avoid the need for the scheduled May 21 budget workshop. All agreed.

Councilman Weaver motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Delane Jackson, Town Manager



RIVER BEND POLICE DEPARTMENT



MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

	ACTIVITIES	2026	2026	2026	% of Total Calls	% Change Last 2 Mos.
		February	March	April		
1	ALARMS / 911 UNKNOWN / DISTURBANCE / SHOTS FIRED (2)	4	4	7	0.51%	75.00%
2	ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	5	4	5	0.37%	25.00%
3	ARRESTS	0	1	5	0.37%	400.00%
4	ASSAULTS / ALL OTHER VIOLENT CRIME	2	1	3	0.22%	200.00%
5	ASSIST CITIZENS / LOCK OUT / QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES	40	39	38	2.79%	-3.00%
6	ASSIST EMS / FD / FIRST RESPONDERS / MED ASSIST	27	41	34	2.50%	-17.00%
7	ASSIST MOTORISTS / FOOT PATROLS / ALL OTHER	15	17	13	0.96%	-24.00%
8	ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES	2	2	4	0.29%	100.00%
9	B & E BUSINESS / RESIDENCE / VEHICLE	1	0	1	0.07%	0.00%
10	CRIM. SUMM. / SUBPOENAS / WARRANTS / CIVIL COMPLAINT	10	10	3	0.22%	-70.00%
11	DOMESTICS	0	1	1	0.07%	0.00%
12	FIRES / ALARM	2	1	1	0.07%	0.00%
13	IDENTITY THEFT / FRAUD	1	2	3	0.22%	50.00%
14	INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENTS	1	1	0	0.00%	-100.00%
15	JUVENILE COMPLAINTS	0	1	0	0.00%	-100.00%
16	LARCENIES	0	1	1	0.07%	0.00%
17	LITTERING	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
18	LOUD MUSIC / NOISE COMPLAINTS	0	1	1	0.07%	0.00%
19	DEATH / MISSING PERSON / RUNAWAY / SUICIDE(A)	1	0	1	0.07%	0.00%
20	PROPERTY DAMAGE / VANDALISM	0	2	0	0.00%	-100.00%
21	RESIDENTIAL / BUSINESS CHECKS / COMMUNITY WATCH	1102	1069	1,099	80.75%	3.00%
22	ROADWAY DEBRIS / OBSTRUCTIONS	0	0	1	0.07%	0.00%
23	ROBBERIES	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
24	SOLICITING VIOLATIONS	0	0	1	0.07%	0.00%
25	SUSPICIOUS PERSONS / VEHICLES / FIELD INTERVIEW	10	16	8	0.59%	-50.00%
26	TOWN ORDINANCE CITATIONS	0	1	1	0.07%	0.00%
27	TOWN ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	1	2	1	0.07%	-50.00%
28	TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	7	3	4	0.29%	33.00%
29	TRAFFIC STOPS	37	19	97	7.13%	411.00%
30	TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS-RADAR	7	7	4	0.29%	-43.00%
31	DWI	0	0	1	0.07%	0.00%
32	CHECKPOINTS	0	1	1	0.07%	0.00%
33	DRUG VIOLATIONS	0	1	1	0.07%	0.00%
34	WELFARE CHECKS	4	6	4	0.29%	-33.00%
35	CASE ASSIST / PW / VEHICLE MAINTENANCE / MEETING	6	2	8	0.59%	300.00%
36	CASE FOLLOW UPS / SPECIAL OPERATION / TRAINING	8	9	8	0.59%	-11.00%
37	TRESPASSING	0	1	1	0.07%	0.00%
38	OVERDOSE	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
39	TOTAL	1293	1266	1361	100.00%	8.00%

Traffic Violations

15 State Citations
 18 Total State Charges
 State Warnings
 1 Town Citations
 Town Warnings

Community Watch Checks

51 100 Pirates
 65 100 Plantation
 53 200 Lakemere
 68 200 Rockledge
 54 Piner Estates

Phone Calls Answered (638-1108)

199 Incoming Calls

The data being presented in this report is a representation of the original call as it was dispatched.

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April 2026 Monthly Report Brandon Mills, Director of Public Works

During this month, the Public Works department continued routine mowing operations throughout town. This included maintenance around parks, town owned buildings and designated street rights-of-way to help maintain the appearance and safety of the public areas. Public Works also repaired several storm drains catch basins by re-mortaring the interior structures to help prevent soil intrusion in the drainage system. These repairs will improve stormwater flow and reduce future maintenance issues. Several street signs were replaced this month. Replacing these signs improves public safety and assists residents and visitors with navigation throughout the community.

On the Water Resources side of things, our operators have been busy locating our utilities due to the Brightspeed cable project. We locate our lines to help prevent damage to our utility system. This project will be ongoing for several months. Several sanitary sewer cleanout caps were replaced. We often find these caps cut by lawn maintenance. This is a primary source of inflow/infiltration in a sanitary sewer system. We stay on top of repairing these to prevent any problems associated with excess water during heavy rain events at our Wastewater Treatment Facility. As a reminder to our residents when mowing lawns and if you see a pipe coming from the ground do your best not to run it over. I would also like to say that Stage 1 of the Wastewater Treatment Enhancement Project is staying on schedule, and real progress is being made. State Utilities are doing a great job thus far and have all expectations they will continue doing a stellar job.

If you have any questions concerning the Water Resources/Public Works Department, please call us at 252-638-3540, Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm. After-hours water and sewer emergencies can be reported by paging the town's on-call technician at 252-464-4328. You will then be asked to enter your "numeric message" (phone number). After entering your 10-digit phone number, the automated system will say "message sent, goodbye". Please be patient and our technician will return your call. If you do not receive a call back within 10 minutes, please call the Police Department at 252-638-1108 ext. 1, and they will get in contact with the on-call technician. If the police department does not answer, leave a message.

Town of River Bend
 FY 2025-2026
 Work Order Report



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Public Works

Orders Entered	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	YTD	Pending
Building Maintenance	30	31	30	31	30	31	29	27	26	27			292	1
Painting	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0			3	0
Park/Playground	34	39	33	42	36	35	37	34	33	33			356	1
Roadway Maintenance	7	5	3	6	8	9	11	12	10	14			85	0
Stormwater Maintenance	5	7	5	3	4	6	7	5	6	8			56	1
Trash/Litter	38	39	32	35	33	32	31	28	30	33			331	0
Tree Maintenance	5	2	2	3	2	4	5	4	6	8			41	0
Wetlands / Ponds	2	5	2	2	1	2	1	3	2	3			23	1
Other	14	17	13	16	18	17	16	15	17	15			158	0
TOTAL	135	145	120	138	133	137	137	128	131	141	0	0	1345	4
Orders Closed	133	143	118	133	129	133	132	123	126	137			1307	

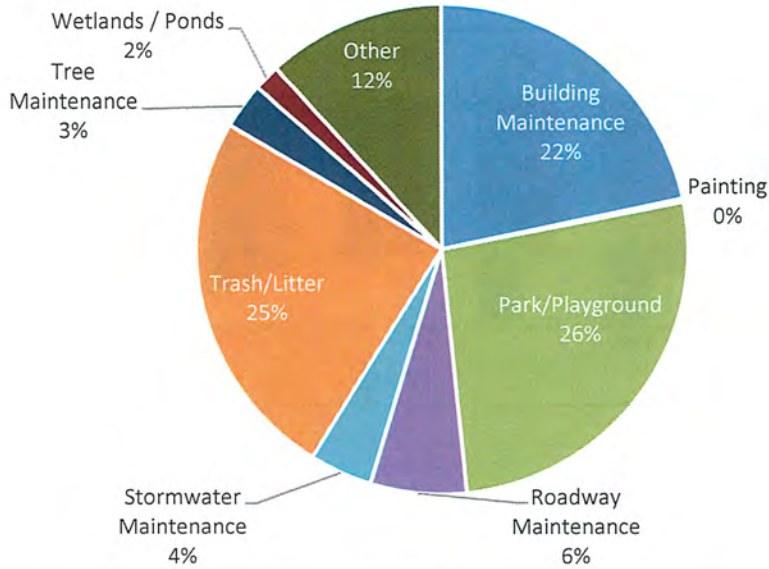
Water Resources

Orders Entered	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	YTD	Pending
Sewer Collection	15	20	16	20	18	20	19	17	15	18			178	1
Sewer Treatment	17	16	10	12	14	16	17	15	16	12			145	0
Water Distribution	12	9	15	19	20	17	18	14	15	18			157	0
Water Treatment	11	14	11	9	11	13	15	13	14	17			128	1
Service Orders	17	19	15	19	22	19	23	21	25	20			200	0
Utility Locates	65	45	38	67	35	29	24	24	90	84			501	1
TOTAL	137	123	105	146	120	114	116	104	175	169	0	0	1309	3
Orders Closed	128	114	102	100	114	110	112	101	172	166			1219	

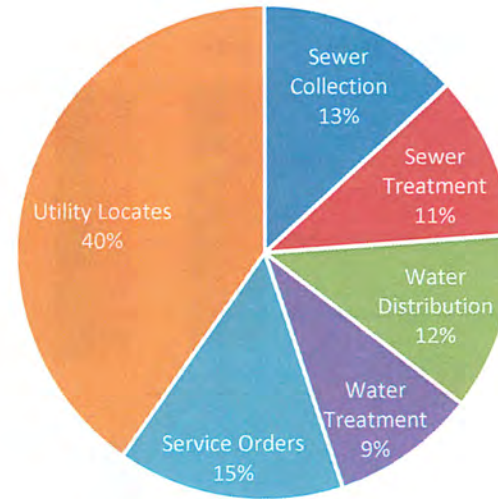
TOTAL	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	YTD
Orders Entered	272	268	225	284	253	251	253	232	306	310	0	0	2654
Orders Closed	261	257	220	233	243	243	244	224	298	303	0	0	2526

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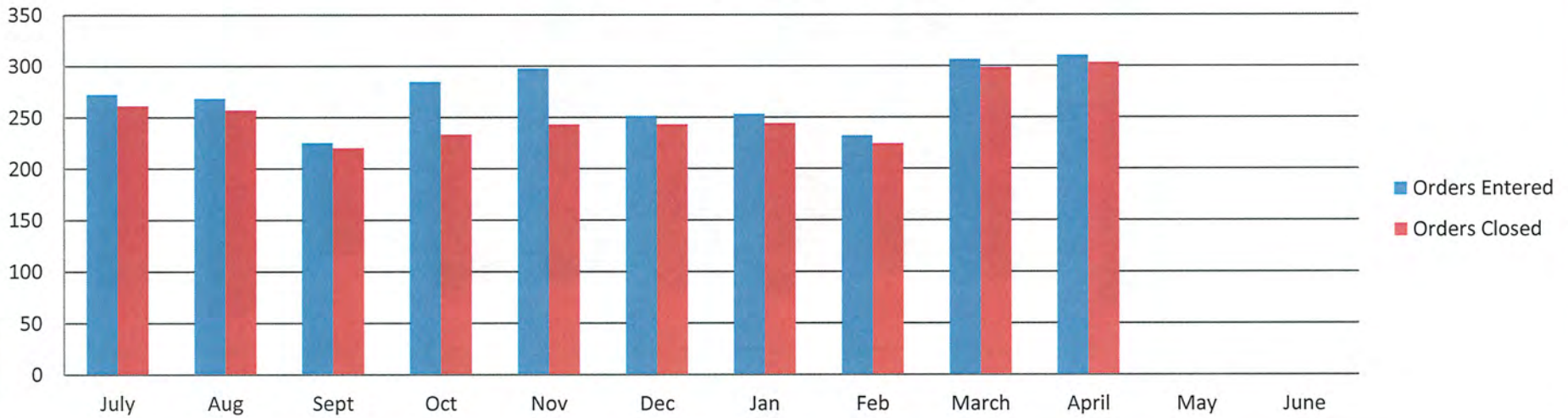
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FY 25-26**



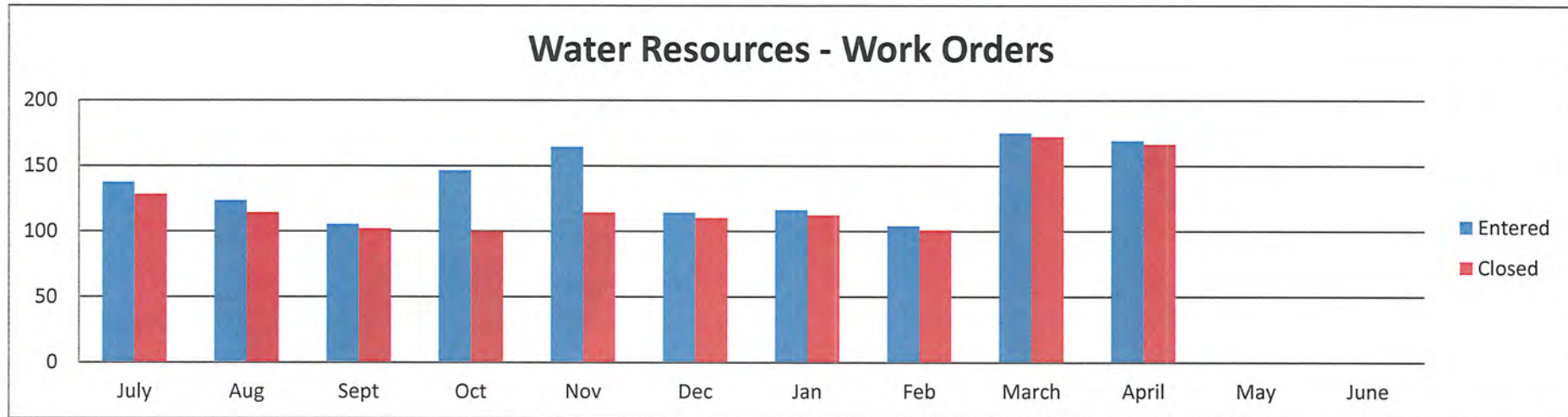
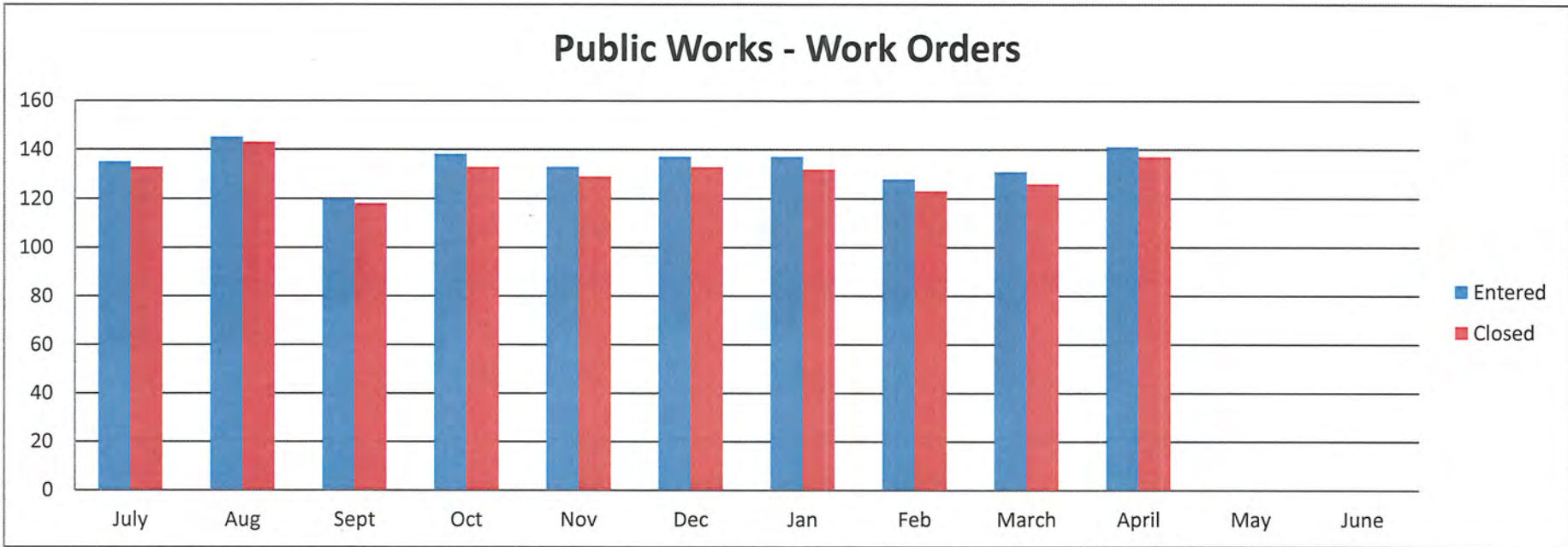
**Water Resources Work Orders
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Total Work Orders - FY 2025-26



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MONTHLY ZONING REPORT

MONTH YEAR

Activity	Monthly	YTD Total
Permit Applications Received	12	61
Permits Issued	12	61
Fees Collected	3936.00	7250.18
Violations Noted During Weekly Patrol	16	154
Complaints Received From Citizens	1	7
Notice Of Violations Initiated *see details below	9	82
Remedial Actions Taken By Town	0	1

Detail Summary		
Address	Violation	Date Cited
54A Gentry	Trailer/Storage Container	15-Apr
212 Rockledge	Boat	15-Apr
105 Ketch	Car in grass	15-Apr
101 Ketch	Trailers	22-Apr
412 Rockledge	Trailer	22-Apr
103 Teakwood	Grass	22-Apr
302 Gatewood	Trailer	29-Apr
112 Portside	Trailer	29-Apr
108 Boatswain	Boat	29-Apr

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES
OF THE TOWN OF RIVER BEND**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of River Bend that the Town Code of Ordinances, Title VII, Traffic Code, Chapter 7.01, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Section 7.01.003, Unlicensed Motor Vehicle Operation Prohibited be amended as follows:

§ 7.01.003 UNLICENSED MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATION PROHIBITED.

- A. No unlicensed motorized vehicle except mopeds (as described in General Statutes) and motorized wheelchairs or similar vehicles not exceeding 1,000 pounds gross weight, may be operated on the streets or highways of the town.

- B. All unlicensed motor vehicles operated on the streets or highways of the town, shall be operated in accordance with chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

Adopted this the 21st day of May, 2026

Mark Bledsoe, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristie J. Nobles, Town Clerk

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF RIVER BEND

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of River Bend that the Town Code of Ordinances, Title IX, General Regulations, Chapter 9.01 Animals, be amended as follows:

GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 9.01.001 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

ANIMAL. Any live vertebrate creature.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER. The animal control officer shall be the Chief of Police, or his or her designee, and shall be responsible for enforcement of this chapter. The animal control officer shall be an "authorized representative of the town" as provided in chapter.

DANGEROUS ANIMAL.

- (1) One which, when unprovoked, engages in any behavior that requires a defensive action by any person to prevent bodily injury when the person and the animal are off the property of the owner or keeper; or
- (2) One which, when unprovoked, bites a person causing injury less severe than that defined as a "severe injury"; or
- (3) One which has been trained or is kept primarily or in part for the purpose of fighting, or any animal trained for fighting; or
- (4) Any animal which, when off the property of its owner or keeper, has killed, seriously bitten, inflicted injury or otherwise caused injury by attacking a domestic animal when unprovoked.

DOMESTIC ANIMAL.

- (1) An animal that typically is found in a domesticated or tame state and usually is kept as a pet.
- (2) This definition includes but is not limited to dogs and cats.

EQUINE. Any horse, pony, mule, donkey, or hinny.

LIVESTOCK.

- (1) An animal that typically is kept principally for productive or useful purposes, rather than as a pet.
- (2) The definition includes but is not limited to horses, cows, pigs, goats, sheep, mules and chickens.
- (3) Equine animals may be kept within the corporate boundaries of the town in compliance with § 9.01.017 herein.

Amended 02/18/21; Ref: 2021-ORD-01

POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ANIMAL. Any animal which causes any person being chased or approached to reasonably believe that the animal will cause physical harm to the person when off the property of the owner or keeper.

SEVERE INJURY. Any physical injury to a human being that results in muscle tears, disfiguring lacerations, multiple sutures, corrective surgery, cosmetic surgery, broken bones or hospitalization; either individually or in any combination thereof.

RUNS AT LARGE.

- (1) An animal runs at large when it is off the premises of the owner and is not under the immediate and effective constraint of the owner or other competent person in charge of the animal.
- (2) The term **IMMEDIATE AND EFFECTIVE CONTROL** means that the animal is sufficiently restrained by use of a leash that constrains the animal to the close proximity of the owner or other competent person and to override the animal's ability to depart therefrom.

VICIOUS ANIMAL. Any animal which, when unprovoked, inflicts severe injury on a human being; provided, however, that the phrase vicious animal shall not apply to the following:

- (1) Any dog or other animal that has bitten, attacked or attempted to attack only persons unlawfully on its owner's premises for the purpose of committing a crime;
- (2) Any dog or other animal which has bitten, attacked or attempted to attack only when provoked by physically abusive or inhumane treatment; or
- (3) Any dog that inflicts an injury upon a human who is injured while attempting to break apart two or more dogs engaged in a dogfight; provided that the injury to the human is less severe than that defined as a "severe injury."

WILD ANIMAL. An animal that typically is found in a non-domesticated state and that poses or reasonably appears to pose a potential danger to persons, other animals, or property.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. I)

§ 9.01.002 INTERFERENCE WITH ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER.

- A. No person may obstruct, interfere with, hinder or molest the animal control officer in the lawful performance of any duty authorized by this chapter.
- B. No person may release or attempt to release any animal that is in the custody of the animal control officer.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. VI) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.003 ANIMAL FECES.

It will be unlawful for any person within the town to fail or neglect to remove immediately any animal feces deposited on public or private property without the consent of the owner of the property, by an animal in the care, charge, control or custody of the person, or owned, possessed or harbored by the person.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. VI) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

**REGULATION AND
CONTROL**

§ 9.01.015 RUNNING AT LARGE PROHIBITED.

- A. No person owning or having possession, charge, custody or control of any animal shall cause, permit or allow the animal to stray or in any manner to run at large upon any public street, sidewalk or other public property or to stray, run at large or otherwise trespass upon the private property of another.
- B. Except as otherwise allowed by federal or state law, no person shall trap or capture, or attempt to trap or capture, any domesticated animal, livestock or wild animal that runs at large. The prohibition contained herein shall not apply to the animal control officer, or any other federal, state or local official or employee acting under the authority of his position.
- C. A violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be penalized as provided in §1.01.999

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. II) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.016 ANIMALS CREATING A NUISANCE.

No person may allow or have any animal within the town that:

- A. Habitually or repeatedly, without provocation, chases, snaps at, or attacks pedestrians, bicyclists or vehicles;
- B. Causes serious annoyance to neighboring residents and interferes with the reasonable use and enjoyment of their property by habitual barking, howling, whining or meowing;
- C. Repeatedly pilfers or turns over garbage or waste receptacles, damages gardens, flowers, shrubs or vegetables;
- D. Habitually trespasses upon neighboring properties and carries off articles or objects not belonging to the animal's owner; or
- E. Repeatedly defecates on public or private property other than that of the owner, without the owner or other competent person in charge of the animal removing any animal feces immediately, and disposing of it in a safe and sanitary manner.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. II) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.017 PROHIBITION OF CERTAIN ANIMALS.

No person may have or keep within the corporate boundaries of the town any livestock or wild animals, except:

- A. Livestock or wild animals possessed or kept in conformance with a federal, state or local program designed to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare, but only if the program has been approved by the Town Council.
- B. Equine animals kept on any parcel of land within the corporate boundaries of the town provided that the parcel is a minimum size of 8 acres, and provided that the parcel provides adequate size to meet any setback requirements herein. No more than 1 equine animal per 2 acres shall be allowed on any parcel.

Amended 02/18/2021; Ref: 2021-ORD-01

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. II) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.018 POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS, DANGEROUS, AND VICIOUS ANIMALS.

A. *Vicious animals.* Any owner of a vicious animal must keep such animal confined at all times while on the owner's premises. Any vicious animal beyond the premises of its owner must be securely muzzled and restrained by a leash no longer than six feet in length and under the physical restraint of an individual at least 18 years of age. The muzzle shall be made in a manner that will not cause injury to the animal or interfere with its vision or respiration, but shall prevent such animal from biting any human or other animal. Further, the owner of a vicious animal shall comply with the following provisions within 30 days after any determination or decision that the animal is a vicious animal, which determination or decision either is not appealed within the period provided in §9.01.063 or is not subject to further appeal:

1. The owner shall display in a prominent place on the owner's premises clearly visible warning signs as the town shall determine are necessary in its sole discretion, which shall be provided by the town, indicating that there is a vicious animal on the premises. The same warning sign must be posted on the enclosure in which such animal is confined.
2. The owner shall provide to the town clerk proof of public liability insurance in the amount of at least \$500,000.00 insuring the owner for any personal injuries inflicted by the vicious animal and such insurance policy shall name the town as an additional insured. Proof of such insurance shall be provided to the town annually for so long as the vicious animal remains in the owner's custody or more frequently upon request from the town.

B. *Potentially dangerous animals and dangerous animals.* Any owner of a potentially dangerous animal or dangerous animal must ensure that said animal is kept within the confines of the owner's yard. Any potentially dangerous animal or dangerous animal beyond the premises of its owner must be securely restrained by a leash no longer than six (6) feet in length and under the physical restraint of a person.

§ 9.01.019 LOCATION AND MAINTENANCE OF ANIMAL PENS AND ENCLOSURES.

Lots, pens, coops, stables and other enclosures where animals are kept or fed shall not be allowed in any front yard and shall be located at a distance from dwellings and places of concentrated human activity and at a distance from sources of water or food supply or food preparation as may be necessary to protect the public health.

- A. All stables used for the keeping of equine animals, shall be kept a minimum of 50 feet from all property lines and 50 feet from any residential building.

Amended 02/18/21; Ref: 2021-ORD-01

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. II) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.020 BIRD SANCTUARY CREATED.

The territory within the corporate limits of the town is hereby declared a bird sanctuary in accordance with the authority conferred upon the municipality by North Carolina General Statutes.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. II) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.021 LICENSE AND REGISTRATION FEE AND TAG.

- A. No dog or cat shall be owned, kept, harbored, maintained or cared for within the corporate limits of the town unless it first is licensed and registered with the town pursuant to this subchapter and, at all times, has attached the license tag issued by the town as proof thereof. Person registering dog or cat must be a minimum of 16 years of age. The dog or cat must also have attached proof of current rabies vaccination. If no rabies vaccination is due to being under 4 months of age, proof of age must be presented, either by written record or statement from a veterinarian.

- B. A license and registration fee shall be charged by the town for each dog and cat licensed effective with the issuance of the 1999 animal tags.
- C. Animal licenses hereunder shall be issued on an annual basis, being valid for the period from the March 1 of a given year through March 31 of the following year. The license and registration fee provided in division (B) above shall be the same regardless of the date during the year that the license is issued. The owner or person registering the animal must present proof of current rabies vaccination when applying for the license.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. II) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

RABIES

§ 9.01.035 QUARANTINE OF ANIMALS SUSPECTED OF HAVING RABIES.

- A. Every animal that has bitten any person or other animal or that shows symptoms of rabies shall be securely confined for a period of at least 10 days before the animal shall be released.
- B. (1) The owner of an animal that has bitten any person or that has shown symptoms of rabies shall report the same immediately to the local health director.
(2) In addition, any person bitten by an animal shall immediately report the incident to the local health director.
- C. Animals quarantined in accordance with this section shall be confined in a veterinary hospital or any other place designated by the local health director, the expense of the confinement to be paid by the owner of the animal.
- D. Any animal, confined pursuant to this section, upon being diagnosed by a licensed veterinarian as free of rabies, shall be released to the owner upon payment by owner of fees and expenses incurred by the confinement and diagnoses.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. III) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.036 DISPOSITION OF RABID ANIMALS.

- A. Every rabid animal, after rabies has been diagnosed by a licensed veterinarian, shall be killed at once in a humane manner by its owner or a peace officer, except that if the animal has bitten a human being, the animal shall be confined under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian until death of the animal. The remains of the animal shall be disposed of as provided in North Carolina General Statutes.
- B. An animal bitten by a proven rabid animal or animal suspected of having rabies that is not available for laboratory diagnosis shall be destroyed immediately by its owner or a peace officer unless the bitten animal has been vaccinated against rabies more than 3 weeks prior to being bitten, and is given a booster dose of rabies vaccine within 3 days of the bite.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. III) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

CARE AND PROTECTION

§ 9.01.050 CARE REQUIRED; ABANDONMENT PROHIBITED.

The owner of every animal shall be responsible for the care, vaccination, registration and/or licensing and behavior of the animal. No owner may fail to provide his animals with sufficient good and wholesome food and water, proper shelter and protection from the weather and veterinary care when needed to prevent suffering.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. IV) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.051 CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

No person shall willfully overdrive, overload, wound, injure, torture, cruelly beat, needlessly mutilate, trap, entice, or kill any animal or cause or procure the same.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. IV) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.052 RESPONSIBILITY OF INJURING ANIMALS.

Any person who, as the operator of a motor vehicle or bicycle, strikes and injures a domestic animal shall stop at once and render assistance as may be possible and shall immediately report the incident to the animal's owner. If the owner cannot be ascertained or located with reasonable effort, the operator shall notify the Town Clerk or Town Police or the County Sheriff's Office.

(Prior Code, Ch. 6, Art. IV) Penalty, see § 1.01.999

§ 9.01.053 TOWN DOG PARK

The Town Council may, in its discretion, develop and maintain one or more dog parks. The Town Council may adopt rules and regulations concerning the use of any dog park created by the Town. Any violation of dog park rules adopted by the Town Council shall be a violation of the Code and shall be enforced by any and all remedies contained in § 1.01.999 GENERAL PENALTY of the Code.

ENFORCEMENT AND APPEALS

§ 9.01.060 BOARD OF ANIMAL CONTROL.

- A. There hereby is established a board of animal control. The board shall consist of three (3) members appointed by the Town Council for a term of two (2) years. Any member of the board

of animal control may be removed from office by the Town Council for any reason. Vacancies shall be filled by the Town Council.

- B. The board shall elect a chairperson who shall conduct the meetings of the board. Selection as chairperson does not preclude the chairperson of his or her authority to vote on all matters before the board. No official action of the board shall be taken at other than a meeting at which a quorum of two or more members are present. Any action approved by the majority vote of those members present shall be the action of the board.
- C. The board shall hear appeals provided for under this subsection. The board may only affirm or reverse the determination appealed from, and the decision of the board shall be the final determination by the town. The decision shall be in writing, shall be delivered by personal service to the animal control officer or any other authorized representative of the town who shall have issued the related notice and/or civil citation, and shall be delivered either by personal service or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the animal's owner.

§ 9.01.061 ANIMALS IN VIOLATION.

Any permitted animal found in violation of this chapter shall be subject to the following:

- A. *Civil citation.* A police officer or other authorized representative of the town is empowered to issue a civil citation to any owner where there is reasonable cause to believe that the owner has violated any provision of this chapter. A civil penalty shall be levied against any such owner for each violation of this chapter, such civil penalty to be in the amount of \$100.00 for the first violation of this chapter, \$200.00 for the second violation of this section, and \$500.00 for each subsequent violation of this section, which penalty shall be paid within 30 days of the date of the citation or appealed as provided for in this subsection.
- B. In addition to the penalties referenced in other sections of this Code, the owner of any animal determined by the animal control officer or any other authorized representative of the town to be a vicious animal, dangerous animal or potentially dangerous animal shall be subject to the following civil penalties, provided that no penalty in excess of \$500.00 shall be imposed for any single act, omission, or condition that constitutes a violation of this chapter:
 - 1. \$75.00 for each animal declared potentially dangerous;
 - 2. \$150.00 for each animal declared dangerous; and
 - 3. \$225.00 for each animal declared vicious.
- C. *Injunction.* A police officer or other authorized representative of the town is empowered to apply to the appropriate division of the general court of justice for a mandatory or prohibitory injunction commanding any person violating this chapter to cease such violation.
- D. *Impoundment.* Any such permitted animal may be taken up and impounded by a police officer or other authorized representative of the town and delivered to the Craven County animal shelter or to an authorized representative of the county for impoundment. It shall be unlawful for any person to obstruct or interfere in any way with the impoundment of an animal pursuant to this section, or to release or attempt to release an animal being so impounded. No notice to the owner shall be required prior to impoundment pursuant to this section;

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provided, however, that a reasonable effort shall be made to notify the owner of an animal prior to impoundment. The animal's owner shall be responsible for all impound fees and expenses incurred by the town.

- E. *Destruction of animals.* Any animal may be properly destroyed by a police officer or other authorized representative of the town without prior notice to the owner in the following circumstances:
1. Where an animal cannot be captured and impounded safely due to resistance by the animal resulting in danger to the police officer, other authorized representative of the town or the public in general.
 2. Where the animal reasonably appears to be suffering from rabies or any other infectious disease which threatens public safety, or from a life-threatening injury or disability.
 3. Where the animal is in the act of biting, attacking, pursuing, injuring or killing any person or any domestic animal.

§ 9.01.062 NOTICES.

- A. Service of all notices provided for under this article may be affected by one of the following methods or by any other method permitted by law:
1. By personally delivering a copy of the notice to the owner or to any person capable of receiving process for the owner being served under Rule 4 of the North Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure. Any notice personally delivered shall be served when delivered or deemed served if refused or rejected.
 2. By mailing a copy of such notice by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the owner. Any notice so mailed shall be served when delivered or deemed served if refused or rejected.
- B. If either of the methods of service specified above is attempted for ten (10) days without success, then the notice may be served by publishing the notice one time in a newspaper having general circulation in the town. Any notice so published shall be deemed served upon publication.

§ 9.01.063 APPEALS.

- A. The owner of any animal determined by the animal control officer or any other authorized representative of the town to be a potentially dangerous animal, dangerous animal, or vicious animal and notified of such determination may appeal the determination to the board of animal control by filing written objections with the town within three (3) days after service of the aforesaid notice. The board of animal control shall schedule a hearing within 10 days of the filing of the appeal. Appellate filing fees will be \$50.00 per appeal, per animal, payable to the town. In the event that the board of animal control reverses the decision of the animal control officer, the owner shall be entitled to a refund of the appellate filing fee. Any appeal from the final decision of the board of animal control pertaining to the determination of whether or not an animal is a potentially dangerous animal, dangerous animal, or vicious animal shall be taken to North Carolina Superior Court by filing notice of appeal and a petition for review within 10 days of the final decision of the board of animal control.

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- B. An appeal of any citation for a violation of the provisions of this chapter, other than those provided for in subsection A of this section 9.01.063, shall be made by filing written objections with the town within 30 days of the date of the citation. The board of animal control shall consider such objections at its next regular meeting or at a later meeting in the board's discretion but in no event later than 30 days from the date the appeal is received by the town.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption.

Adopted this the 21st day of May, 2026

Mark Bledsoe, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristie Nobles, Town Clerk

River Bend Community Organic Garden (RBCOG)

Monthly Report for Council – 5/4/26

April Activity

April was a busy month. Gardeners worked 306 hours in April.

The Plant Sale was successful.

The Swap-a-Plant space is open. Notices have been posted on social media.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 1 at 1:30 pm. Guests are always welcome at the meetings and in the garden.

Town of River Bend Dog Park Rules

1. Hours: The Dog Park is open from -Sunrise to Sunset.
2. Users enter at their own risk.
3. Handlers are responsible for any injuries or damages caused by dogs they bring into the park.
4. Dogs must have a valid license and/or rabies tag.
5. Dogs must be leashed when entering and exiting the Dog Park.
6. Maximum of three dogs per handler.
7. Small dog area is reserved for dogs up to 25 pounds. (Small dogs are also allowed in large dog area, but large dogs are not allowed in small dog area).
8. For the safety of your dog(s) and other park visitors, choke, prong (pinch) and spike collars are strictly prohibited. If you use these types of collars, remove them before entering the dog park.
9. No Children under the age of 16 are permitted unless accompanied by an adult. Children have a tendency to scream and run when excited, which can trigger a dog's prey drive or natural instinct to chase. For this reason and for the safety of your children, we do not recommend bringing small children and infants into the dog park.
10. Aggressive dogs are not permitted on the premises. Dogs must be removed at the first sign of aggression. If your dog does not interact well with other dogs or humans, you should not bring it to the Dog Park.
11. Female dogs in heat are prohibited from entering the park.
12. Sick dogs, or dogs with parasites (worms, ticks, fleas, etc.) are not allowed in the park.
13. Dog owners must be in the area of the park and within view of their dogs at all times.
14. All off-leash dogs must be under voice control of their owners. If you cannot control your dog off leash, keep your pet leashed at all times.
15. Dog owners must keep their leash in hand at all times.
16. Please do not bring dog food or human food into the park and please, no smoking in the park.
17. Owners must clean up dog feces. Seal waste in the provided plastic bags before disposing in designated receptacle.
18. Fill any holes your dog digs.
19. Proof of a current rabies vaccination and license is required upon request of a police or animal control officer. Tags may serve as proof.
20. As determined by the Town Manager or a police officer, any user's failure to abide by the park rules may result in the loss of privileges to use the Dog Park for the owner and/or the dog. Failure to abide by the park rules may also result in the -owners being ticketed.

Town of River Bend



Monthly Financial Report

This monthly report is provided as an oversight/management tool for the Town Council of the Town of River Bend. For ease of reporting, and in order to be consistent with the categories used in the annual budget process, this report summarizes the revenue and expenses in each of the three operational areas of the Town. Anyone interested in more detail, or further explanation of the contents of this report, is encouraged to contact Finance Officer Mandy Gilbert.

Notes

The cash balances shown on page one are the amount of cash in each specific accounting fund. These funds are deposited in separate investment accounts. Pooled cash accounts used for operating funds but accounted for, in our internal systems, as individual accounts. Interest attributable to each account is allocated based upon the total rate of return of the account(s).

The FY Budget columns represents the original and current budget. As the fiscal year goes on and unforeseen expenses or revenues occur, we need to adjust the budget. The Council does this by formal amendment during a Council meeting. *Asterisked lines represent those budget items that have been amended since adoption.

Because this is an annual budget, it is important to note that many lines shown in this report will vary, some significantly, from month to month, and in different times of the year. In many instances, capital payments for current fiscal year projects are made early in the fiscal year and the majority of our ad valorem tax receipts occur in the middle of the fiscal year. This is another reason to maintain an adequate fund balance.



Visit our web site <http://www.riverbendnc.org/finance.html> to view the Financial Dashboard. These dashboards are designed to give the user a quick overview of the status of revenues and expenditures in each of the Town's three major funds as reported in the Monthly Financial Report.



Fund Cash Balances

Cash Balances	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
1 General Fund*	1,221,105	1,132,475	1,014,174	999,297	1,003,329	1,470,689	1,489,427	1,594,104	1,568,099	1,498,933		
2 Powell Bill	-	-	53,973	53,973	53,973	-	-	-	-	-		
3 General Capital Reserve	132,025	132,499	172,993	173,588	174,146	174,700	175,236	175,718	176,249	176,764		
4 Stormwater AIA Project	-	-	-	-	-	(102,000)	-	-	-	-		
5 Law Enforcement Separation Allowance	54,227	54,421	54,608	54,796	54,972	55,147	55,316	55,468	55,636	55,798		
6 Water Fund*	475,047	481,484	468,755	494,395	478,738	495,978	483,608	518,273	510,796	537,395		
7 Water Capital Reserve Fund	17,835	17,899	17,961	18,022	18,080	18,138	18,194	18,244	18,299	18,352		
8 Water AIA Grant Project	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
9 Water Treatment Plant Capital Project	(1,966)	(1,966)	(1,966)	(1,966)	(1,966)	(1,966)	(56,506)	(56,506)	(56,506)	(56,852)		
10 Water Treatment Improvement Project	(5,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
11 Sewer Fund*	750,598	742,479	731,266	771,984	760,493	778,490	763,106	803,168	800,568	813,492		
12 Sewer Capital Reserve Fund	26,757	26,853	26,945	27,038	27,125	27,211	27,295	27,370	27,453	27,533		
13 Sewer AIA Grant Project	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250		
14 WWTP Capital Projects Fund	8,574	(2,346)	(2,346)	(2,346)	(2,346)	(2,346)	(4,383)	(2,473)	(2,473)	(2,473)		
Total Cash and Investments	2,679,452	2,584,049	2,536,611	2,589,032	2,566,794	2,914,291	2,951,542	3,133,615	3,098,371	3,069,192	0	0
Truist Cash Accounts	276,447	282,691	303,143	347,872	318,436	279,787	308,951	244,190	200,146	286,541	0	0

*These operating funds have equity in the Truist pooled accounts.

In order to obtain more favorable interest rates, the Town deposits funds in the North Carolina Capital Management Trust. We move funds between our cash accounts and these investment accounts to accommodate cash flow for our payables and as revenues are received in order to maintain an adequate amount of cash for operational needs while attempting to minimize bank fees and maximize interest revenue. Based upon historical cash flow and current encumbrances, our staff anticipates the level of cash needed to meet our obligations without having to make an inordinate number of transfers between accounts.

On the table above, the term cash includes those funds we hold in accounts in our designated banking institution (currently Truist). We have two accounts with Truist, a Money Market account that pays a competitive rate of interest, and an operating (checking) account from and to which we make all regular payments and deposits.

The table below shows the balances of each fund account we have in NCCMT at the end of the month. The chart to the right shows how our funds are apportioned between operating cash and investments.



Investments in NCCMT	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
1 General Fund	1,126,013	1,009,781	927,089	875,636	899,963	1,258,543	1,349,510	1,515,760	1,520,344	1,374,339		
2 Powell Bill	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
3 Capital Reserve (General Fund)	132,025	132,499	172,993	173,588	174,146	174,700	175,236	175,718	176,249	176,764		
4 Law Enforcement Separation Allowance	54,227	54,422	54,608	54,796	54,972	55,147	55,316	55,469	55,636	55,799		
5 Water Fund	381,941	399,318	385,066	407,950	395,751	410,204	341,383	377,835	379,039	399,486		
6 Water Capital Reserve Fund	17,835	17,899	17,961	18,022	18,080	18,138	18,194	18,244	18,299	18,352		
7 Sewer Fund	664,206	660,586	648,806	684,129	678,321	690,561	675,656	719,030	721,204	730,379		
8 Sewer Capital Reserve Fund	26,757	26,853	26,945	27,038	27,125	27,211	27,295	27,370	27,453	27,533		
Total Investments	2,403,005	2,301,358	2,233,468	2,241,160	2,248,358	2,634,504	2,642,591	2,889,425	2,898,225	2,782,651	0	0



General Fund

Revenue	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	PY		
	Original	Current															Total	% Budget
1 Ad Valorem Taxes	1,153,846	1,153,846	-	2,147	97,193	40,866	59,412	579,696	128,593	194,056	20,984	11,163			1,134,110	98.3%	99.8%	
2 Ad Valorem Taxes - Vehicle	140,000	140,000	-	12,435	10,848	9,867	12,533	8,183	9,988	10,406	10,350	14,825			99,436	71.0%	87.6%	
3 Vehicle Registration Fee	30,800	30,800	-	310	1,030	1,280	2,490	2,040	2,630	2,480	2,180	2,910			17,350	56.3%	0.0%	
4 Animal Licenses	1,500	1,500	90	20	80	70	80	20	560	460	560	220			2,160	144.0%	145.3%	
5 Local Gov't Sales Tax	486,499	486,499	45,824	45,166	46,943	44,434	39,905	46,529	42,647	43,057	50,102	40,043			444,650	91.4%	95.2%	
6 Hold Harmless Distribution	125,643	125,643	11,712	11,632	12,470	12,033	12,921	11,102	12,225	12,608	12,583	9,861			119,148	94.8%	100.7%	
7 Solid Waste Disposal Tax	2,200	2,200	-	527	-	-	578	-	-	619	-	-			1,724	78.4%	75.7%	
8 Powell Bill Fund Appropriation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
9 Powell Bill Allocation	109,000	109,000	-	-	53,973	-	-	53,973	-	-	-	-			107,945	99.0%	108.0%	
10 Beer & Wine Tax	13,490	13,490	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
11 Video Programming Tax	45,303	45,303	-	-	10,371	-	-	10,551	-	-	10,399	-			31,321	69.1%	73.6%	
12 Utilities Franchise Tax	135,931	135,931	-	-	27,993	-	-	35,131	-	-	30,471	-			93,594	68.9%	81.3%	
13 Telecommunications Tax	6,530	6,530	-	-	1,696	-	-	1,917	-	-	1,852	-			5,465	83.7%	78.7%	
14 Court Cost Fees	500	500	23	32	41	18	41	50	66	42	27	45			382	76.4%	66.9%	
15 Zoning Permits	5,000	5,000	96	1,033	772	228	232	144	301	451	207	3,790			7,254	145.1%	66.4%	
16 Federal Grants	-	-	12,317	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			12,317	#DIV/0!	26.5%	
17 Federal Grants - BVP Program	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
18 State Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
19 Federal Disaster Assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
20 State Disaster Assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
21 Miscellaneous	9,000	9,000	1,086	20	166	2,003	755	180	890	60	885	1,155			7,200	80.0%	47.1%	
22 Insurance Settlements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	#DIV/0!	
23 Interest - Powell Bill	5	5	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-			1	23.0%	7.7%	
24 Interest - Investments	45,859	45,859	4,233	3,768	3,308	3,048	2,827	3,081	3,967	3,750	4,584	3,995			36,563	79.7%	98.1%	
25 Contributions	900	900	476	-	100	-	-	(100)	-	-	-	-			476	52.9%	74.3%	
26 Wildwood Storage Rents	18,144	18,144	1,631	1,637	1,543	1,575	1,583	1,586	1,679	1,603	1,457	1,445			15,739	86.7%	89.7%	
27 Rents & Concessions	18,000	18,000	1,880	1,640	1,760	1,900	1,900	1,920	2,120	1,970	1,890	1,870			18,850	104.7%	102.1%	
28 Sale of Capital Assets	12,000	12,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,550	3,025	9,609			16,184	134.9%	0.0%	
29 Sales Tax Refund Revenue*	-	11,365	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
30 Trans. from Capital Reserve*	130,500	130,500	170,500	-	(40,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			130,500	100.0%	100.0%	
31 Trans. from L.E.S.A. Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
32 Appropriated Fund Balance*	201,350	205,880	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%	
Total	2,692,000	2,707,895	249,867	80,368	230,287	117,322	135,257	756,001	205,666	275,112	151,558	100,931	0	0	2,302,369	85.0%	82.6%	

*Astericked lines represent those budget items that have been amended since Original Budget adoption.
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General Fund

Expenditures	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	PY	
	Original	Current															Total
1 Governing Body*	79,200	81,200	7,544	(851)	4,406	(876)	(333)	5,062	(835)	4,292	8,503	(837)			26,075	32.1%	71.9%
2 Administration*	348,000	348,725	52,209	20,375	37,388	23,092	20,348	46,124	20,761	20,354	37,683	21,646			299,979	86.0%	86.5%
3 Finance*	156,500	161,290	15,791	15,786	16,695	15,325	9,988	11,069	12,217	9,985	14,157	9,827			130,839	81.1%	80.0%
4 Tax Listing	19,500	19,500	-	309	1,236	663	916	4,716	2,932	2,241	528	514			14,054	72.1%	81.6%
5 Legal Services*	44,000	34,000	890	3,869	2,446	523	407	1,125	3,108	1,491	1,353	3,580			18,791	55.3%	36.9%
6 Elections	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	81.8%
7 Public Buildings*	74,500	75,125	3,611	6,074	4,587	4,894	3,361	5,108	4,942	4,773	3,735	3,938			45,024	59.9%	72.1%
8 Police*	836,200	839,700	76,787	59,867	126,529	57,891	57,625	61,473	72,894	54,930	76,103	65,993			710,093	84.6%	82.5%
9 Emergency Management*	5,100	5,370	975	16	16	16	16	16	616	16	16	16			1,719	32.0%	92.0%
10 Animal Control*	27,800	27,820	2,662	1,364	2,487	1,957	2,038	2,259	2,109	1,982	3,036	1,957			21,850	78.5%	73.6%
11 Street Maintenance*	317,000	317,675	6,739	3,410	5,969	5,141	5,443	132,646	35,854	36,930	7,903	5,253			245,288	77.2%	78.0%
12 Public Works*	289,000	290,325	20,750	17,454	70,851	20,976	20,126	19,659	19,753	20,566	22,362	20,290			252,787	87.1%	78.8%
13 Leaf & Limb, Solid Waste*	76,700	76,725	7,780	508	9,238	254	11,626	10,207	214	214	10,359	12,082			62,483	81.4%	101.4%
14 Stormwater Management*	88,000	88,300	7,343	2,046	3,582	2,936	3,057	3,389	3,187	3,573	4,878	7,797			41,788	47.3%	60.5%
15 Waterways & Wetlands*	2,900	3,025	124	564	481	14	-	-	-	-	349	192			1,725	57.0%	12.9%
16 Planning & Zoning*	62,000	72,415	6,079	5,251	7,180	4,031	3,967	10,232	6,657	6,394	8,453	4,796			63,040	87.1%	77.0%
17 Recreation & Special Events*	13,500	14,200	704	81	197	1,069	-	1,133	-	31	1,529	1,471			6,215	43.8%	31.0%
18 Parks*	75,600	76,000	5,599	3,957	5,730	4,073	4,853	6,426	4,291	3,741	7,660	4,478			50,808	66.9%	55.5%
19 Transfers	151,344	151,344	151,344	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			151,344	100.0%	100.0%
20 Contingency	25,156	25,156	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%
Total	2,692,000	2,707,895	366,931	140,081	299,016	141,977	143,438	320,644	188,703	171,511	208,605	162,993	0	0	2,143,900	79.2%	79.3%

Capital / Debt (included above)	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	PY
	Original	Current														
1 Capital Outlay*	355,350	355,350	-	-	98,400	-	-	119,698	22,995	836	-	-			241,929	68.1%
2 Debt Service - Principle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%
3 Debt Service - Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%

*Astericked lines represent those budget departments that have been amended since Original Budget adoption.



Revenue	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	PY	
	Original	Current															Total
	Base Charge	283,169	283,169	46,760	180	39,481	295	46,738	210	47,064	231	47,159	216			228,334	80.6%
Consumption	236,146	236,146	39,667	120	41,375	340	39,095	76	38,823	30	37,524	111			197,161	83.5%	87.7%
Other, incl. transfers*	59,600	63,900	26,442	5,626	1,459	4,679	2,552	3,918	1,274	3,610	1,236	5,558			56,355	88.2%	185.4%
Hydrant Fee	17,934	17,934	18,117	(166)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			17,951	100.1%	97.0%
Appropriated Fund Bal.	111,651	111,651	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	0.0%	0.0%
Total	708,500	712,800	130,986	5,760	82,316	5,314	88,385	4,204	87,161	3,871	85,919	5,886	0	0	499,800	70.1%	70.7%

Expenses	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	PY	
	Original	Current															Total
	Admin & Finance*	530,000	530,625	50,800	33,856	28,016	26,516	29,828	39,973	28,968	28,277	34,141	32,851			333,226	62.8%
Supply & Treatment*	74,000	101,500	15,994	9,839	4,496	16,145	3,015	9,571	6,538	3,288	10,481	8,698			88,064	86.8%	72.5%
Distribution*	84,000	60,175	31,041	5,130	5,734	248	6,251	235	142	973	611	674			51,038	84.8%	65.3%
Transfers / Contingency	20,500	20,500	20,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			20,500	100.0%	100.0%
Total	708,500	712,800	118,335	48,825	38,246	42,909	39,093	49,779	35,648	32,538	45,233	42,223	0	0	492,828	69.1%	66.6%

Capital (included above)	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	PY
	Original	Current														
	Capital Outlay*	30,100	5,100	-	5,050	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			5,050

Cash Balances		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
Water Fund		475,047	481,484	468,755	494,395	478,738	495,978	483,608	518,273	510,796	537,395		0
Water Capital Reserve Fund		17,835	17,899	17,961	18,022	18,080	18,138	18,194	18,244	18,299	18,352		0

Water Produced	Limit	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date
		Total Gallons	6,176,000	7,173,000	6,597,000	6,696,000	5,802,000	6,119,000	6,223,000	5,751,000	5,842,000	5,952,000		
Average daily gallons	925,000*	199,226	231,387	219,900	216,000	193,400	197,387	200,742	205,393	188,452	198,400	0	0	205,029

* This is the permitted daily limit.



Sewer Fund

Revenue	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	Total	% Col	PY
	Original	Current																
Base Charge	298,921	298,921	49,197	377	49,430	445	49,030	176	49,641	292	49,669	227				248,484	83.1%	83.7%
Consumption	333,495	333,495	52,907	(10)	55,085	614	53,499	19	53,871	65	52,392	162				268,603	80.5%	84.5%
Other, incl. transfers*	57,478	61,528	27,427	5,116	2,221	4,029	2,192	3,563	2,095	5,427	2,175	3,671				57,915	94.1%	186.9%
Appropriated Fund Bal.	94,606	94,606	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				-	0.0%	0.0%
Total	784,500	788,550	129,531	5,483	106,736	5,087	104,721	3,757	105,607	5,784	104,235	4,060	0	0	575,002	72.9%	79.8%	

Expenses	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	Total	% Exp	PY
	Original	Current																
Admin & Finance*	533,000	533,650	55,818	37,648	27,793	27,532	29,635	47,547	30,072	29,431	35,852	28,717				350,045	65.6%	67.4%
Collection*	87,000	88,100	2,296	13,442	10,062	2,702	1,250	4,260	2,492	1,471	1,224	2,716				41,914	47.6%	43.1%
Treatment*	139,000	141,300	21,740	7,948	8,538	8,553	8,226	13,772	11,352	7,384	6,816	20,066				114,394	81.0%	75.4%
Transfers / Contingency	25,500	25,500	25,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				25,500	100.0%	100.0%
Total	784,500	788,550	105,354	59,038	46,393	38,786	39,111	65,578	43,916	38,286	43,892	51,498	0	0	531,853	67.4%	68.4%	

Capital (included above)	Fiscal Year Budget		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date	Total	% Exp
	Original	Current															
Capital Outlay	30,100	30,100	-	5,050	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				5,050	16.8%

Cash Balances

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
Sewer Fund	750,598	742,479	731,266	771,984	760,493	778,490	763,106	803,168	800,568	813,492		0
Sewer Capital Reserve Fund	26,757	26,853	26,945	27,038	27,125	27,211	27,295	27,370	27,453	27,533		0

Wastewater Treated	Limit	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	FY to Date
		Total Gallons	3,038,000	4,127,000	4,006,000	3,122,000	2,682,000	3,285,000	3,194,000	3,053,000	3,213,000	2,732,000		
Average daily gallons	330,000*	98,000	133,129	133,533	100,710	89,400	105,968	103,032	109,036	103,645	91,067	0	0	106,752

* This is the permitted daily limit.