

TOWN OF CARROLLTON  
BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, May 5, 2026

Present:

Mayor: Pamela Lee

Clerk: C.J. Coleman

Aldermen: Present:

Clint Gee  
Tommy Goodman  
Warren Long

Absent:

Bo Milton  
Daphne Williams

Others Present: Galen Shumaker – Water Operator, Suzanne Buchanan-Small Business Administration Disaster Recovery, Conservative staff Misty Bailey and Justice Blankenship

The Mayor and Board of Alderman met in regular session on Tuesday, May 5, 2026. Mayor Lee called the meeting to order and Alderman Long opened with prayer.

The Mayor introduced the guests and invited them to speak. Mrs. Bailey introduced Justice Blankenship, a new reporter for the paper who will occasionally be covering the meeting for the paper. Mrs. Buchanan outlined the services offered by the SBA as they relate to disasters, including low interest loans to homeowners with damage.

The first order of business was a motion by Alderman Gee, seconded by Alderman Long, and unanimously approved to accept the Agenda for the meeting with the addition of a report on Barnes Street issues, and 2 items of unfinished business.

A motion was made by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Goodman, and unanimously approved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous and accept as emailed and printed with the change of Ann to Allen in the last bullet on Galen's report.

Galen Shumaker, water operator, gave the following reports:

- Weather permitting, they will start putting in the last of the ARPA meters in next week. Galen has submitted the bill for the meters. The Town will pay 1/3 of the bill from our ARPA funds and submit the bill to Horne for the 2/3 that the State is providing. The deadline to spend the money has been moved from December to August by the state legislature.
- When the ice storm repairs to the booster station are complete, Galen would like to put half of the county meters on the booster tank because that will reduce the number of people on 316 well and will give us another option to provide water when one of the wells is off. On motion by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board voted with no opposition for Galen to do this. Insurance has paid for the repairs at the booster station, minus the \$1,000 deductible.
- The road to the elevated tank is nearly impassable so Galen has asked Supervisors Josh Hurst and Jim Neill about dumping a load of clay gravel out there and he will spread it.
- Galen now has the material costs for moving the line for the county to repair the bridge on CR 316.

A motion was made by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Goodman, and unanimously approved to pay the usual and customary bills as presented. On the bill for \$500 from Doyle Carpenter to remove the tree behind the historic water tower that was damaged in the ice storm, the Board asked that Doyle refigure the cost.

Mayor Lee gave the following reports:

- a. Warden Brandon Smith does have someone to build the rose planter boxes and Eric Hopkins will pick up the materials at True Value in Grenada and take them to the jail.
- b. EDF dues have been paid. This will be an annual expense until we decide to stop it.
- c. A Carrollton home will be featured in the next Leflore Illustrated.
- d. The front bathroom toilet needs a new seal. Galen offered to fix it and the Board accepted.
- e. The mayor and supervisor Josh Hurst are looking at options for addressing different issues on Barnes Street.

Unfinished Business: -

- The Board postponed a decision about the location of the bench provided by Modern Woodman of America and the historic markers until we ask the Cherokee Rose Garden Club if they would design a small landscape area to enhance the area.
- On motion by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board unanimously accepted the recommitment of the Cherokee Rose Garden Club to decorate the Town for holidays and maintain plantings as described in their attached letter.

New Business:

- On motion by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board voted with no opposition to purchase up to \$150 in pine straw for Master Gardener George Lee to mulch the beds at the Community House.
- Concerning the need for a new air conditioner for the front office, Alderman Long volunteered to look at the existing one and make a recommendation to the Board. No action was taken.
- On motion by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Goodman, the Board unanimously approved for the mayor to pursue the MEMA hazard mitigation option to use MEMA funds to buy generators for wells 1 and 2, and for the office.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Alderman Gee, seconded by Alderman Goodman and unanimously approved to adjourn until Tuesday, June 2, 2026.

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Carol Jo Coleman, Town Clerk

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Pamela R. Lee, Mayor