

Budget Meeting – March 18, 2026

The Graham County Board of Commissioners met Wednesday, March 18, 2026, in the Graham County Community Building located at 196 Knight Street Robbinsville, NC for a budget meeting. Board present Meggan Smith, Lynn Cody, Connie Orr and Natasha Williams. Board absent Jacob Nelms. Also, present Manager Brady Cody, Finance Director Stacy Carpenter and Clerk Kim Crisp.

1. Chair Smith called the budget meeting to order.
2. Chair Smith asks Manager Cody to proceed with the budget discussions. Manager Cody stated that he had a very positive discussion regarding the Jail and they are being creative to minimize their budget. Manager Cody stated that currently our jail will not hold inmates, it will only serve as a holding. Manager Cody stated that the state requires three detention offices per shift and our jail currently holds eight inmates. Manager Cody stated that the Jail is currently redoing their policies and procedures and looks forward to working with the staff moving forward.
3. Manager Cody stated that the recreation budget has decreased. Manager Cody stated that this department did have a contingency in reserves, but they will separate these funds into a project ordinance fund which will give a truer picture of the actual budget. Manager Cody discussed the staff, which includes the pool, and non-employees such as referees, booking agents, etc.
4. Manager Cody stated that he would request closed session to discuss IT. Chair Smith asks for a motion to go into closed session under G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1)(5)(6) for privileged or confidential information, contracts and personnel. Commissioner Williams made the motion to go into closed session as stated. Commissioner Cody seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
5. Chair Smith asks for a motion to go back into open session. Commissioner Williams made the motion as stated. Commissioner Orr seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.
6. Manager Cody discussed Grounds which came in lower than last year.
7. Manager Cody discussed Senior Center budget.
8. Chair Smith asks for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Williams made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Orr seconded this motion. Vote unanimous.

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Meggan Smith, Chair, Graham County Commissioner

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Lynn Cody, Vice-Chairman, Graham County Commissioner

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Jacob Nelms, Member, Graham County Commissioner

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Connie Orr, Member, Graham County Commissioner

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Natasha Williams, Member, Graham County Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Kim Crisp, Clerk to the Board