

**TOWN OF JONESVILLE
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027
ANNUAL BUDGET**



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The Honorable Mayor, Town Council and Citizens of the Town of Jonesville,

In accordance with the North Carolina Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act, I am honored by the opportunity to present for your review and consideration the Recommended Budget for the Town of Jonesville for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027. The Recommended Budget includes adequate resources to continue essential core services and focuses on employee retention, success planning, public safety, water quality and meeting the needs of the community.

GENERAL OVERVIEW

Our town, Jonesville, is situated in the foothills of North Carolina and is known to be the Heart of the Yadkin Valley. In recent years, Jonesville and the Yadkin Valley have become known for outdoor recreation and the warmth felt by those visiting the area. With the increasing age of our infrastructure and demand on public services, plans to improve public facilities and services are one of the focuses throughout this budget. Public service is challenging; however, we are committed to work hard, providing the quality of life our citizens and visitors deserve.

Mission Statement as set by the Council

“The Town of Jonesville is committed to providing professional, transparent, and responsible public services to our residents, businesses, and visitors. Through responsible stewardship of public resources and strong community partnerships, we strive to enhance safety, opportunity, and quality of life for everyone in our community.”

BUDGET COMPARISONS

For the Fiscal Year 2025/2026, current General Fund budget is \$3,060,099. The *Recommended Budget* for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 is \$2,880,700. This is a 5.86 percent decrease in expenditures without the eliminating any services provided by the Town.

For Fiscal Year 2025/2026, current Tourism Development Authority Fund budget is \$515,500. The *Recommended Budget* for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 is \$504,000. This is a 2.23 percent decrease in expenditures.

For Fiscal Year 2025/2026, current Water Fund budget is \$1,169,620. The *Recommended Budget* for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 is \$1,398,925. This is a 19.61 percent increase in expenditures. The *Recommended Budget* includes infrastructure repairs funded through FEMA.

HIGHLIGHTS OF RECOMMENDED BUDGET

- Replacement of street name signs, speed limit signs, paving and repairs.
- Replacement of screens and updates to raw water intake system at Water Plant.

REVENUE

In comparison to other Town funds, General Fund contains the largest portion of revenues and expenditures. Jonesville's net assessed ad valorem tax base is valued at \$20,810,109. Upon approval by Council, the tax rate of 50 cent per \$100 assessed value will provide for an estimated billing for 2026 ad valorem taxes of \$1,015,000. The *Recommended Budget* allows for a collection rate of 97 percent based on an audit of received current fiscal year collections. Jonesville's tax rate has remained the same since 2017. Other major sources of revenue for the General Fund include the following: property taxes, sales tax, utility franchise tax, ABC revenues, and intergovernmental transfers.

In the Water and Sewer Fund, the Town operates and bills the collection and distribution of water for an average of 1227 customers. While the Town bills for sewer all revenue is transferred to Yadkin Valley Sewer Authority as they own the infrastructure and handle treatment. The *Recommended Budget* includes no increase to current rates for water usage; rates based upon usage are as follows:

	Monthly Base Rate up to 2000 gallons	Volumetric Rate each additional 1000 gallons
In-Town Customers	\$24.20	\$10.00
Out of Town Customers	\$48.40	\$20.00

EXPENDITURES

The *Recommended Budget* was prepared with the following focuses by Town Council and Staff: ***continued improvement of services to citizens and visitors; retention and education of staff.***

Meeting the needs:

1. Reclassification of staff positions in the Police Department and Administration Department, and continued funding of School Resource Officer at Jonesville Elementary School without funding from the State of North Carolina.
2. Administration, Police and Street departments teaming together to respond to citizen concerns with regard to – street lighting, roadside clean up and ordinance violations.

3. Tourism Promotion through online and targeted marketing, for the benefit of local hotels, campgrounds, restaurants and retail stores.
4. Increased outdoor recreation at Lila Swaim Park, Sergeant Gregory Martin Park, Jonesville Greenway Trail and Double Bluff Recreation Area.

Employee retention:

1. A 2% COLA adjustment to current salaries effective July 1, 2026.
2. Encouraging training and certifications, for all employees to increase their knowledge and skills in their current and future positions.
3. Continued Town paid employee benefits.

DEBT SERVICE

Asset	Original Amount	Date of Issue	Payment/Fund	Loan Balance	Maturity Date
Town Hall	\$1,352,500	06/11/2008	\$ 72,196 (GF)	\$1,006,756	06/11/2048
Water Plant	\$2,590,000	08/19/2013	\$107,880 (WA)	\$2,082,000	06/01/2053
Waterline	\$ 175,000	01/22/1990	\$ 9,250 (WA)	\$ 25,000	06/01/2030
2 lots Hwy 67	\$ 270,000	02/03/2025	\$ 31,249 (GF)	\$ 252,000	02/05/2040
Lead & Copper	\$ 20,000	12/09/2024	\$ 4,000 (WA)	\$ 12,000	05/01/2029

Jonesville's Debt Service Margin as of June 30, 2025 is \$18,246,000
 Jonesville's Total Debt Service as of July 1, 2026 \$3,377,756

GRANT FUNDS / PROJECTS

Grant	Grantor	Project Reference	Amount
CDBG-CV	NC Commerce	Pandemic Response	\$1,815,204
DR-Helene	FEMA	JGT/Raw Water Well	\$248,200
Viable Utility Reserve	NC DEQ	Meters/Waterline	\$6,946,300
Viable Utility Reserve	NC DEQ	WP Filters/Clearwell	\$8,015,200
REDR Grant	NC OSBM	Double Bluff Recreation Area	\$3,400,000
NC Land & Water	NCDNCR	Line Berry Creek	\$558,486
PARTF	NC Parks	Double Bluff Recreation Area	\$500,000

COMMITMENT TO FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Management is committed to following the lead of the Town Council's commitment to fiscal responsibility of funds received, expended and held by the Town of Jonesville.

The Fiscal Year 2026/2027 *Recommended Budget* addresses the Town Council's priorities of service to our community. This document represents the fundamental philosophy of conservative revenue projection and maintaining constraints in expenditures. While staff strives daily, not all needs can be fulfilled, but they do work diligently with the resources allocated. Hopefully, this budget displays the positives that can be accomplished for our citizens and the actions we take to remain the employer of choice for our staff.

This budget is the culmination of the knowledge and contributions of staff. I would like to give a heartfelt thank you to Chief Scotty Vestal, Captain Israel Moran, Utility Clerk Deanna Lundy, Town Clerk Tiffany Hall-Long, Executive Secretary Tasha Ferguson, Distribution ORC Josh Matthews and Water Plant Supervisor Adam Darnell for meeting deadlines, words of encouragement and their dedication to being fiscally responsible throughout this process.

Citizens in our community should be proud of the Mayor and Town Council for their vision of the future for the Town of Jonesville. Their commitment to workshops, meetings, training in local government and finance is evident by their active oversight of Town funds at budget time and throughout the fiscal year.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve each of you - Mayor and Council, town staff, property owners, citizens and visitors of the Town of Jonesville.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wenona C. Thompson
Town Manager
CLGFO, Civic Fellow

**Budget Ordinance For The
Town of Jonesville
Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

WHEREAS, the Town of Jonesville is directed by the North Carolina Legislature according to General Statute to prepare, adopt and operate a fiscal budget and

WHEREAS, the Town of Jonesville endeavors to operate responsibly and efficiently, to maximize the benefits of all revenues and comply with Federal, State and local guidelines regarding operation and expenditures of taxpayer's monies, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Jonesville recognizes the benefits and returns enjoyed by sound financial planning and management resources.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Jonesville, North Carolina as follows:

SECTION 1. Estimated Revenues: The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the town government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, to meet the expenditures according to schedule and the chart of accounts established for the Town.

SECTION 2. There is hereby levied the following rate of tax on each One Hundred Dollar (\$100) valuation of taxable property as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2026, for the purpose of raising revenue for Current Year's Property Tax as set forth in the estimates of revenue, and in order to finance the expenditures:

Ad valorem rate of 50¢ per \$100 at full valuation is hereby established as the official tax rate of the Town of Jonesville for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027. The general fund tax rate is based on an estimated total appraised value of property for the purpose of taxation of \$200,810,109 and an estimated collection rate of 97%.

Section 3. The Town of Jonesville desires to establish a General Motor Vehicle Use Tax of \$30.00 for vehicles registered within the corporate limits. There is hereby levied a Municipal Vehicle Tax assessed and levied annually under this section, which shall be collected, credited, and be used in such maximum amount(s) as authorized by North Carolina General Statute, Section 20-97, (a) through (e) inclusive, as of July 1, 2016, and as thereafter amended by the North Carolina General Assembly and as enacted into law from time to time.

Section 4. Rates and fixed charges have been established to be effective with the first billing statements of fiscal year 2026-2027 as follows:

In-town rates:

Monthly Minimum Bill (consumption allowance up to 2000 gallons)	\$ 24.20
Volumetric Rate/1,000 gallons (above 2000 gallons)	\$ 10.00

Out-of-town rates:

Monthly Minimum Bill (consumption allowance up to 2000 gallons)	\$ 48.40
Volumetric Rate/1,000 gallons (above 2000 gallons)	\$ 20.00

Section 5. Estimated Expenditures: The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the town government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027.

Section 6. General Fund Appropriations

Revenue

Ad Valorem Taxes	\$1,015,000
Motor Vehicle Taxes	\$ 156,000
Penalties, Interest, Costs on Ad valorem Taxes	\$ 10,000
Franchise Taxes	\$ 160,000
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 650,000
Charges for Services	\$ 253,000
Transfer from TDA	\$ 216,700
Transfer from Powell Bill	\$ 30,000
Other Revenue	\$ 299,900

TOTAL	\$2,790,600
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Expenditures

General Government	\$ 115,905
Administration	\$ 435,500
Police	\$1,119,301
Parks & Recreation	\$ 181,743
Planning & Development	\$ 17,480
Buildings & Grounds	\$ 134,000
Streets	\$ 375,091
Solid Waste	\$ 258,000
Debt Service	<u>\$ 153,580</u>
TOTAL	\$2,790,600

Section 7. Police Special Fund

Revenue

Other Revenue	<u>\$ 2,200</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,200

Expenditures

Supplies	<u>\$ 2,200</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,200

Section 8. Powell Bill Appropriations

Revenue

NC DOT Powell Bill Aid	<u>\$ 97,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 97,000

Expenditures

Powell Bill Expenses	\$ 67,000
Transfer to General Fund	<u>\$ 30,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 97,000

Section 9. Tourism Authority Appropriations

Revenue

Occupancy Tax	\$ 420,000
Other	<u>\$ 84,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 504,000

Expenditures

Tourism Expenditures	\$ 287,300
Transfer to General Fund	<u>\$ 216,700</u>
TOTAL	\$ 504,000

Section 10. Water and Sewer Fund

Revenue

Water Usage Charges	\$ 900,000
Installation & Late Fees	\$ 50,000
Other Revenues	<u>\$ 448,925</u>
TOTAL	\$1,398,925

Expenditures

Water Administration	\$ 140,400
Water Plant	\$ 883,618
Water Distribution	\$ 217,007
Debt Services	<u>\$ 157,900</u>
TOTAL	\$1,398,925

Section 11. The Budget Officer or designee is authorized to transfer the appropriation as contained under the following conditions:

- a. Transfer amounts between line-item expenditures within the departments without limitation and without a report being required. These changes must not result in increases in recurring obligations such as salaries without Council approval.
- b. Transfer up to 10% of the appropriated monies for the department whose allocation is reduced, including contingency appropriation within the same fund. The budget officer must make an official report on such transfers at the next regular meeting of the Council.
- c. All transfers between funds require prior approval by the Council in an amendment to the Budget Ordinance.

- d. No salary increases, beyond those set forth in the Budget document and/or personnel policy (salaries, wages/merit increases and promotions) may be made without prior Council approval.
- e. No transfers out of Capital Reserve Account(s) may be made without prior Council approval.

Section 12. The financial management policies shown in the attached budget document are hereby incorporated and approved as part of this budget ordinance.

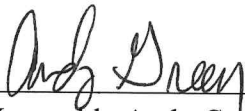
Section 13. This ordinance and Budget Document shall be the basis of the financial plan for the Jonesville Municipal Government during fiscal year 2026-2027. The Budget Officer shall administer the budget and shall ensure that operating officials are provided with guidance and sufficient details to implement their portion of the budget. The accounting section shall establish records which are in concordance with the budget and this Ordinance and the appropriate statutes of the State of North Carolina.

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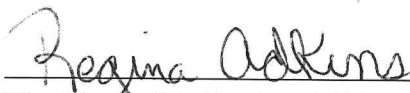
Adopted, this 23 day of June 2026.



The Honorable Anita Darnell, Mayor



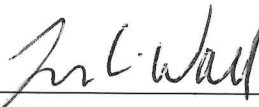
The Honorable Andy Green,
Mayor Pro Tempore



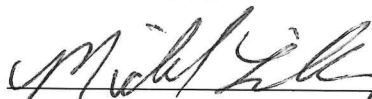
The Honorable Regina Adkins,
Council Member



The Honorable Scott Darnell
Council Member

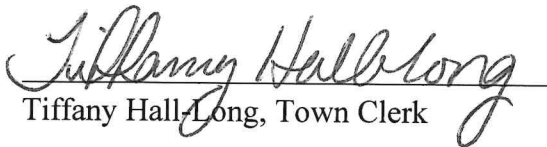


The Honorable Tracy Wall,
Council Member



The Honorable Michael Tilley,
Council Member

ATTEST:



Tiffany Hall Long, Town Clerk

