

The Mayor and Council met for their Regular meeting.

- Those Present:

John Howard
Lee Malcom
Myoshia Crawford
Adriane Brown
Tyler Gregory
David Dickinson
Logan Propes

Mayor
Vice-Mayor (via phone)
Council Member
Council Member
Council Member
Council Member
City Administrator (via phone)

Absent:

Julie Sams
Charles Boyce
Greg Thompson
Paul Rosenthal
Russell Preston

Council Member
Council Member
Council Member
City Attorney
City Attorney

Staff Present:

Danny Smith, Jeremiah Still, Tracey Hanson, Andrew Dykes, Beth Thompson, Brad Callender, Chris Bailey, Les Russell, Brian Wilson, Mike McGuire, Kaitlyn Stubbs

Visitors:

Ned Butler, Tommy Butler, Will Hill

I. CALL TO ORDER - JOHN HOWARD

1. Invocation

Council Member Tyler Gregory gave the invocation.

2. Roll Call

Mayor Howard noted that all Council Members were present, except for Council Member Charles Boyce, Greg Thompson, and Julie Sams. Vice -Mayor Lee Malcom was present via telephone. There was a quorum.

3. Approval of Agenda

To approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Crawford, seconded by Brown.
Passed Unanimously

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. January 30, 2025 Council Minutes
 - b. February 4, 2025 Council Minutes
 - c. February 11, 2025 at 5:30 pm Council Minutes
 - d. February 20, 2025 Council Minutes
 - e. March 11, 2025 Council Minutes
 - f. February 25, 2025 Historic Preservation Commission Minutes
 - g. January 9, 2025 Downtown Development Authority Minutes
 - h. February 13, 2025 Downtown Development Authority Minutes
 - i. January 9, 2025 Conventions and Visitors Bureau Minutes
 - j. February 13, 2025 Conventions and Visitors Bureau Minutes

To approve the consent agenda as presented.

*Motion by Crawford, seconded by Brown.
Passed Unanimously*

II. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Public Presentation

Eagle Scout Presentation- Tommy Butler was recognized for becoming an Eagle Scout

2. Public Comments

Mr. Johnny Brint, of Lilburn, Ga, spoke about changing the name of Green St to White St. after his late Father-in-law.

Ms. Susan Hawkins, of Monroe, shared her concerns about the rate increases and how they are affecting those that are below the poverty line.

III. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. City Administrator Update- Logan Propes

2. Assistant City Administrator Update- Chris Bailey

Mr. Bailey is combining the City Administrator Update, and Central Services report as Mr. Croy and Mr. Propes are not physically present. Mr. Bailey noted that our Welcome center and Museum would be closed for the next few weeks while improvements are made to the interior. Once completed, the plan is to move our Mainstreet offices to the Welcome Center. Approach clearing at the airport has begun. Trees have been marked that have to be removed. Processes with the DOT have started in regards to offsite airport obstructions. The Town Green was hit last week. The front corner where the fountain sits at E. Church and S. Madison was damaged. We are currently working to have it fixed prior to the first concert. Stormwater Master Plan will come back before you guys and will be more in depth and include more details with a rough ordinance. TAP Grant Bids on Highland, Broad, and Lumpkin are due this Thursday. That will come before council in May. Car Show capped out at our attendance of 22,000 but we believe there were 30,000 people. First Friday concert coming up May 2nd. Farmers Market opened this past Saturday. Sculptures are in place and there will be a walking guide that will come out. Clean Up day will be April 19th, be sure to join us as volunteers.

3. Department Reports

- a. Monthly Central Services Report- Chris Croy
- b. Monthly Code Report- Brad Callender
- c. Monthly Economic Development Report- Brian Wilson
- d. Monthly Finance Report- Beth Thompson
- e. Monthly Fire Report- Chief Dykes
- f. Monthly Police Report- Captain Hanson
- g. Monthly Solid Waste Report- Danny Smith
- h. Monthly Streets & Transportation Report- Jeremiah Still
- i. Monthly Telecom Report- Mike McGuire
- j. Monthly Water, Sewer, Gas & Electric Report- Rodney Middlebrooks

4. Department Requests

a. Various: Surplus Items

This is a request for the surplus and disposal of assets. Approximately a dozen old vehicles that are being disposed or replaced.

Motion to approve by Gregory, Seconded by Brown

Passed unanimously

b. Public Works: Great American Cleanup Week, April 21-25, 2025

A request to designate the week of April 21-25, 2025 to participate in Great American Cleanup Week. This allows for citizens to come to the transfer station and dump at no charge. This is for residents only.

*Motion to approve by Dickinson, Seconded by Crawford
Passed unanimously*

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing

a. Urban Redevelopment Agency Plan Amendment-

A resolution to amend our Urban Redevelopment plan, the city originally implemented this plan in 2008 and then updated in 2018. This will be the second amendment. We will be updating the map that is retained in the plan. We will be adding a section 6.3.2 which sets aside a 1.72-acre tract on Davis St. to build a hotel.

b. Public Comment

No public comment

2. New Business

a. Resolution – Urban Redevelopment Agency Plan Amendment

*Motion to approve by Dickinson, Seconded by Gregory
Passed unanimously*

V. DISTRICT ITEMS

1. District Updates

- a. Crawford- received a lot calls and emails in regards to the statues. Many upset about the raising of rates and then adding in the statues.
- b. Dickinson- he also received many calls and emails in regards to the statues. He stated we need to do a better job of communicating to the people.
- c. Brown- received calls and emails regarding statues. Had some friends come in town that really loved the statues and want to come back before they are gone.
- d. Gregory- Received calls and emails as well in regards to statues. Would love to see us spotlight local artists.

2. Mayoral Update

- a. Checking in to see that everyone is set for GMA. Thanking all of those who participated in the Car Show. Three in town celebrating the Florida win.

VI. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Motion by Crawford, Seconded by Brown
Passed unanimously*

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel

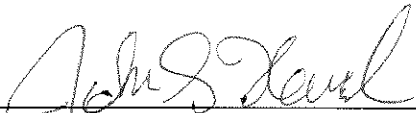
Motion to Adjourn out of Executive Session

*Motion by Crawford, Seconded by Brown
Passed unanimously*

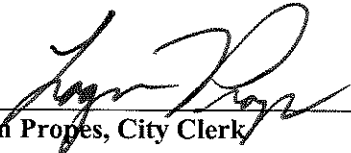
Meeting Called Back to Order at 7:15pm

VIII. ADJOURN- 7:20pm

*Motion by Crawford, Seconded by Brown
Passed unanimously*



John Howard, Mayor



Logan Propes, City Clerk