**Minutes**

**Forsyth City Council Meeting**

**March 3, 2025**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation and Roll Call**

Mayor Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation was led by Dr. Rod Callahan. In attendance for the meeting was Mayor Eric Wilson, Councilmembers Josh Hill, Chris Hewett, Lois Allen, Greg Goolsby, Charles Wilder, and Mike Dodd. Also in attendance was City Manager, Craig Mims; Assistant City Manager, Regina Ivie; City Attorney, Brian Causey; and City Clerk, Shayla Furlow. Six members of the council were in attendance for the meeting; therefore, all unanimous votes will be six votes (Hill, Hewett, Allen, Goolsby, Wilder and Dodd).

**Approval of the agenda**

Mayor Wilson stated that he was aware of one change to amend the agenda to remove item number seven, Development Issue- George Emami.

 Mr. Hewett offered a motion to approve the agenda with the amendment to remove item number seven, Development Issue- George Emami. Seconded by Mr. Hill; the motion carried unanimously

**Approval of the minutes from the Council Meeting held on February 17, 2025.**

Mr. Dodd offered a motion to approve the minutes from the council meeting held on February 17, 2025 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Hewett; the motion carried unanimously.

**Introduction of Rachel Floyd, the Community Development Communications Coordinator.**

Mr. Dean Nelson, the Community Development Director, introduced Ms. Rachel Floyd, the Community Development Communications Coordinator and Public Information Officer.

**Approval of a street closure request on March 22, 2025 for the 8th Annual Fit to Achieve 5k race.**

Mr. Dodd offered a motion to approve the street closure request on March 22, 2025 for the 8th Annual Fit to Achieve 5k race. Seconded by Mr. Hewett; the motion carried unanimously.

**Adoption of the City of Civility Resolution**

Mr. Hewett offered a motion to adopt the City of Civility Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Dodd; the motion carried unanimously.

**Approval to cancel the March 17, 2025 council meeting.**

Mr. Hewett offered a motion to cancel the March 17, 2025 council meeting. Seconded by Mr. Dodd; the motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of the 2024 Budget Adjustments**

Mr. Dodd offered a motion to approve the 2024 Budget Adjustments. Seconded by Mr. Hewett; the motion carried unanimously.

**City Manager’s Report**

Mr. Craig Mims, the City Manager, reported that:

-The Forsythia Festival Concert will be held on Friday night at 7:00pm on the downtown square.

-We had 25 volunteers participate in the Malik Herring Cleanup Day event.  Big thank you to the volunteers and staff that participated.

**City Attorney Report**

Mr. Brian Causey, the City Attorney, had no business to report.

**Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Wilson stated that the grand reopening for Country Club Park will be April 7, 2025 at 10:30a.m. We are in the process of taking bids for Kynette Park and they are due by April 3, 2025. He invited everyone out to the Forsythia Festival.

**Council Board Reports**

Mr. Hewett stated that the Hospital Board met on February 27, 2025. Casey Fleckenstein was named the Hospital Administrator.

Mr. Dodd stated that the Golf Board is looking forward to redoing the greens.

Mrs. Allen stated that the Convention & Visitors Bureau met and discussed things to do in 2025.

Mr. Hill stated that the upcoming Forsythia Concert starts at 7:00p.m. with a country and southern soul performance by Bella Dunn and Shantavia Nicole. He thanked Kemie Childs, the Main Street Director, for putting out the yellow bows downtown.

**Additional Business**

Mr. Wilder wished his wife a happy birthday!

Mrs. Allen stated that the Hubbard Alumni will be celebrating on April 19, 2025, she will have more details later.

**Public Comments**

Dr. Rod Callahan questioned about having the Annual Fit to Achieve 5k race at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center.

**Executive Session**

Mr. Wilder offered a motion to go into executive session for personnel matters at 6:19p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Allen; the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hewett offered a motion to end the executive session at 6:46p.m. Seconded by Mr. Wilder; the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting back into regular session after executive session.

Mr. Wilder offered a motion for the council to approve the mayor to conduct the 2024 evaluation of the city manager. Seconded by Mr. Hewett; the motion carried unanimously.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Hewett offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Allen; the motion carried unanimously.