

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council for the City of Gray, Georgia was held on Monday, March 3, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the D.V. Childs Civic Center.

Present: Mayor Ed Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem James Collins, Council Members Terry Favors, Terrell Fulford, and David Tufts, City Superintendent Cheyenne Morgan, Public Works Manager Chris Neal, Main Street Director Ashley Roberson, Police Officer Dylan Joiner and Clerk Cindy Yancey.

Guests: Don Johnson and Debbie Lurie-Smith, *The Jones County News*.

Mayor Barbee called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Councilman Tufts gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Favors, and unanimously voted to amend the March 3, 2025 agenda adding election for vacant council seat as item # 2 under new business.

APPROVED 4-0

Councilman Favors made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve the February minutes.

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Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Favors, and unanimously voted to approve the February accounts payable.

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Mayor's Report:

- No Report

Old Business:

1. **Second Reading:** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia to amend Chapter 2, Administration, Article II, Mayor and Council, Section 2-35, Compensation of Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and City Council Members, so as to set the compensation for the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and City Council members to be effective immediately upon the taking of office by those persons elected in the 2025 Municipal Election for Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and City Council members; and for other purposes.

Councilman Favors made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, to approve **Ordinance 25-O-001**. Councilman Tufts voted in favor of the ordinance and Mayor Pro Tem Collins voted in opposition.

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New Business:

1. Approval of city services covenant between Kathryn & Thomas Yeary and the City of Gray.

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Councilman Favors, and unanimously voted to approve the city services covenant between Kathryn & Thomas Yeary and the City of Gray.

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2. Election – Vacant City Council seat.

Councilman Favors made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to call for the election to fill the vacant seat to be in conjunction with the general election in November of 2025.

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Public Comments: *(Three minutes per speaker and no more than two speakers per topic)*

- Main Street Director Ashley Roberson spoke about the upcoming Spring Festival Event and will provide more details as the event gets closer.
- City Superintendent Morgan stated that he has looked at the drainage issue in Jackson Heights and feels that the problem can be corrected and is waiting for a quote on the project.
- Fire Chief Eisele stated that the Class 3 insurance classification went into effect 03/01/2025.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

City Clerk