

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council for the City of Gray, Georgia was held on Monday, March 2, 2026 in the D.V. Childs Civic Center.

Present: Mayor Ed Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem James Collins, Council Members Terry Favors, Terrell Fulford, Ikea Simmons and David Tufts, Police Chief Adam Lowe, City Superintendent Cheyenne Morgan, Public Works Manager Chris Neal, Main Street Director Ashley Roberson, Fire Chief Keith Elsele, City Attorney John Newberry, Assistant Clerk Kayleigh Faircloth, and City Clerk Cindy Yancey.

Guests: Debbie Lurie-Smith, *The Jones County News*. Jessica Groves Jones County School System Superintendent

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

Mayor Barbee gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve the March 2, 2026, agenda.

APPROVED 5-0

Councilman Favors made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, 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 February's accounts payable.

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Mayor's Report:

- Mayor Barbee called upon Jessica Grove Jones County School System Superintendent. She spoke to Mayor and Council about her goals and objectives while in her position.

New Business:

1. Ratify acceptance of the roofing quote submitted by Bland Roofing Co., Inc. for replacing the City Hall roof and repairs to the Fire Department roof.

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to ratify acceptance of the roofing quote submitted by Bland Roofing.

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2. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with the Jones County/Gray Chamber of Commerce, Inc. regarding 2026 hotel/motel tax funds; and for other purposes.

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve **Resolution 26-R-008**.

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3. Executive Session – Personnel

Councilman Favors made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to go into executive session.

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The regular council meeting resumed.

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

- *Councilman Tufts expressed how professional Main Street Director Ashley had been during Main Streets Presentation.*

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

City Clerk