

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council for the City of Gray, Georgia was held on Monday, June 3, 2024, at 6:00pm in the D. V. Childs Civic Center.

Present: Mayor Ed Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem James Collins, Council Members David Tufts and Terrell Fulford, City Attorney John Newberry, City Superintendent Cheyenne Morgan, Public Works Manager Chris Neal, Fire Chief Keith Eisele, City Clerk Cindy Yancey, and Assistant City Clerk Christina Morgan.

Guests: Planning and Zoning Director Tim Pitrowski, Scott Jackson, Kelli House, Fran Drummond, Rebecca Brooks, Kenyetta Rushin, Rickey Rushin Jr, Dorothy Rushin, Daniel Tribble, Carla Schlick, Matt Schlick, Allison Hawthorne, Mike Hawthorne, Mike Morris, Casandra Blalock, Don Johnson, Delacy Douglas, Marty Drewthorne, Lloyd Hetheron, Barbara Bundrage, Dan Sovereign, Joey Douglas, Susan Holton, Greg Singleton, Mitchell Helms, Scott Bowman, Chet Harwell, Rusty Crawford, Matt Davis, Billy Rogers, Stephen Wilson 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.

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to approve the June 3, 2024, agenda.

APPROVED 3-0

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

APPROVED 3-0

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to approve the May accounts payable.

APPROVED 3-0

Mayor's Report:

- No report.

Old Business:

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to close the Council Meeting and go into a P&Z Hearing.

APPROVED 3-0

1. P&Z Hearing: Cedar Creek Land and Development, LLC: Requests to rezone from R-1 A (Single Family Residential) to R-3, for the purpose of building multi-family housing. The property is located on Allen Green Rd. and consists of 4.7 +/- acres.

- The following citizens opposed rezoning the property mentioning concerns such as traffic, sewage, and safety.
 - Don Johnson
 - Rebecca Brooks
 - Mike Hawthorne
 - Matt Davis
 - Billy Rogers
 - Scotty Bowman

New Business:

1. P&Z Hearing: Rickey Ricardo Rushin, Jr: Requests a variance to allow a new private road to serve four lots. He also requests to rezone said property from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-3 (Multi-Family Residential) to allow double-wides on the newly created lots. Property is located at 262 Dolly St and consists of 4.67+/- acres.

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to close the P&Z Hearing and reopen the Council Meeting.

APPROVED 3-0

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford to approve Cedar Creek Land and Development's request to rezone from R-1 A (Single Family Residential) to R-3, for the purpose of building multi-family housing. Mayor Pro Tem Collins voted in opposition to the rezoning.

UNAPPROVED

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion to deny Cedar Creek Land and Development's request to rezone from R-1A (Single Family Residential) to R-3 for the purpose of building multi-family homes.

UNAPPROVED

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve Rickey Rushin Jr.'s variance request to allow a new private road to serve four lots.

APPROVED 3-0

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve the zoning request from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-3 (Multi-Family Residential) to allow double-wides on the newly created lots.

APPROVED 3-0

2. Approval of public consumption of alcoholic beverages during the June 28, 2024, Fridays on Main event.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve the public consumption of alcoholic beverages during the June 28, 2024, Fridays on Main event.

APPROVED 3-0

3. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement regarding the installation of 3 LED lights at 100 Bill Conn Parkway between the City of Gray and Georgia Power Company; and for other purposes.

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to approve Resolution **24-R-019**.

APPROVED 3-0

4. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with the Jones County Board of Commissioners regarding the transportation special purpose local option sales tax intergovernmental agreement, and for other purposes.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve Resolution **24-R-020**.

APPROVED 3-0

5. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia to supplement the General Appropriations resolution passed by Mayor and Council the 2nd day of October 2023, for fiscal year 2024; and for other purposes.

- Insurance proceeds — PD Vehicle

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve Resolution **24-R-021**.

APPROVED 3-0

Public Comments:

- Joey Douglas requested a speed breaker at the end of Brookwood Dr. to slow traffic, so children and pets remain safe. Mr. Douglas presented a petition to the council. City Superintendent Cheyenne Morgan will investigate the placement of the requested speed breaker.

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