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POST1: ERIC CARLSON
POST 2: FRED JOHNSON
POST 3: ERIC WRIGHT
POST 4: STEVE HALL
POST 5: PATRICIA SIBLEY

September 28, 2026
7:00 PM
Regular Council Meeting DRAFT Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Goad at 7:01 PM.

Declaration of Quorum: A quorum was present

Members Present: Mayor Goad, Council members Johnson, Hall Sibley, and Wright in person.

Members Absent: Council member Carlson

Guests present: Mark Beaty from NEGRC, Ann Evans- NHS Planning Commission representative, Julie Memler, Kip Jones, Allen Nimmons.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Agenda Setting:

A motion was made by Council member Wright to accept the agenda as presented.
Seconded by Council member Sibley.
Vote: 4-0. Agenda approved as presented.

Planning Commission Report: Ms. Evans reported on the items which had been discussed at the recent Planning Commission Meeting.

Presentation of DRAFT Minutes for the Council meeting of August 24, 2026.

A motion was made by Council member Sibley to accept the Minutes for the August 24, 2026, meeting as presented.
Seconded by Council member Wright.
Vote: 4-0. The Minutes were approved as presented.

Presentation of Financial Statement for August 2026.

A motion was made by Council member Wright to accept the August Financial Statement as presented.
Seconded by Council member Sibley.
Vote: 4-0. The Financial Statement was approved as presented.

Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Item(s):

Ms. Memler asked regarding the status of the Town Municipal Court. Mayor Goad stated that things are moving along, though very slowly.

She also stated that minutes were very behind on the website. Mayor Goad explained that we had recently changed IT providers which caused some backlog.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>

There was no unfinished business.

<u>New Business</u>

Mark Beatty from Northeast Georgia Regional Commission (NEGRC) presented the services available through NEGRC and answered several questions from Council members. The Council discussed the possibility of using some of the services with reference to some projects under consideration for the Town.

2351 Elder Rd Ext – Allen Nimmons – permit to construct a shed on the property.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson to grant the permit
Seconded by Council member Wright.
Vote: 4-0. The Permit was approved.

Town Web changes/contract proposal for NHS website.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson to approve the Town Web update.
Seconded by Council member Wright.
Vote: 4-0. The Permit upgrade was approved.

Embrace Civility Resolution and Oath

A motion was made by Council member Johnson to accept the Civility resolution
Seconded by Council member Sibley.
Vote: 4-0. The Resolution was approved.

First reading of Section 5 ordinance amendment. Read.

A question was raised regarding the description of the Town Council in the document as opposed to its identification in the Charter and Ordinances. Mayor Goad will consult with Mr. Reitman, the Town Attorney.

Clerk- Grants Seminar in January.

A motion was made by Council member Wright to allocate $1,000 to cover expenses for the Clerk to attend the Grants Seminar in January in Alpharetta
Seconded by Council member Hall.
Vote: 4-0. The Clerk's travel to Alpharetta in January was approved.

<u>Mayor's Update</u>

Mayor Goad spoke about:

- **The impending work to be done on Jefferson Road regarding drainage.**
- **Some things regarding the Municipal Court and the process of notifying residents about violations.**
- **Payment for Hillsboro Rd repair. Speed bumps still have not been completed.**

With no further business to transact, a motion was made by Council member Johnson to adjourn. Seconded by Council member Sibley.
Vote: 4 – 0.

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Goad at 8:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Bishop
Town Clerk