



MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING - REGULAR SESSION & PUBLIC HEARING

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Bonifay City Hall Council Meeting Room – 301 J Harvey Etheridge St.

I. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

Council Member James Sellers
Council Member Shelley Carroll
Council Member Rick Crews
Council Member Eddie Dixon

ABSENT

Mayor Larry Cook

Also Present:

City Clerk Jessie Chaney, Finance Director Tracy Walker, Executive Assistant Sierra Smith, Police Chief Johnny Whitaker, Assistant Fire Chief Landon Messer, Public Works Director Aaron Taylor

A. Invocation

Led by Public Works Director Aaron Taylor

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Public Works Director Aaron Taylor

II. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion made by Council Member Dixon, Seconded by Council Member Crews.

Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews, Council Member Dixon

III. APPROVE MINUTES

A. May 4th, 2026 Regular Session

Motion made by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Carroll.
Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews,
Council Member Dixon

IV. APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE / TRANSFERS / FINANCIAL SHEETS TO REVIEW

Motion made by Council Member Carroll, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.
Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews, Council
Member Dixon

V. VISITORS – PUBLIC ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

NON- AGENDA AUDIENCE

Effective October 1, 2013, Florida Statute 286.0114 mandates that “members of the public shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a Board or Commission.” Each individual shall have three (3) minutes to speak on the proposition before the Board. THIS IS NOT A QUESTION-AND-ANSWER SESSION. It is NOT a political forum, nor is it a time for personal accusations and derogatory remarks to/or about City personnel. Those who wish to speak are reminded to observe proper decorum, and to avoid the use of profane or vulgar language. If you would like to address the City Council please come to the podium, state your name and address for the record

Richard Willsey of Happy Hollow stated he was having a hard time hearing Council Member James Sellers and asked for him to move microphone closer.

VI. Special Presentation - Chief Whitaker

Police Chief Johnny Whitaker gave an update on the baseball/softball tournament that was held the previous weekend. He presented a check to Daryl Horne, representing International FOXP1, in the amount of \$6,646.00. Daryl Horne expressed his gratitude to the City for their involvement and hard work in the tournament.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None

A. FDOT Railroad Signal Upgrade Agreement for Magnolia Street

Motion made by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.
Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews,
Council Member Dixon

B. FDOT Railroad Signal Upgrade Agreement for Hubbard Street

Motion made by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.
Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews,
Council Member Dixon

C. Resolution 2026-05 Local Mitigation Strategy

Executive Assistant Sierra Smith presented Resolution 2026-05 Local Mitigation Strategy. City Clerk Jessie Chaney read by title. Roll Call vote.

Motion made by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.
Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews,
Council Member Dixon

D. Resolution 2026-06 CDBG Memorial Field

Executive Assistant Sierra Smith presented Resolution 2026-06 CDBG Memorial Field. city clerk Jessie Chaney read by title. Roll Call vote.

Motion made by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.
Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews,
Council Member Dixon

E. Public Hearing for Ordinance 2026-02 Mixed Use

Read by City Clerk Jessie Chaney. Richard Willsey asked for specific changes that were being made. Executive Assistant Sierra Smith explained changes.

F. Ordinance 2026-02 Mixed Use

Executive Assistant Sierra Smith presented Ordinance 2026-02 Mixed Use. Read by City Clerk Jessie Chaney. Roll Call vote.

Motion made by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.
Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews,
Council Member Dixon

IX. PLANNING & ENGINEERING

Next public meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2026 at 9am.

X. COUNCIL / DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS / CITY ATTORNEY DISCUSSION

Items not listed on Formal Agenda.

A. Council Updates

None

B. Department Updates

A. Public Works Department - New Hire

Public Works Department - Public Works Director Aaron Taylor announced new hire Joshua Treadaway for meter reader.

B. Administration - Election Update

Administration - City Clerk Jessie Chaney gave election update to include qualifying dates as Noon June 8,2026 through noon June 12,2026. Qualifying packets can be picked up at the City Hall starting May 25,2026.

C. Fireworks

Fireworks - Executive Assistant Sierra Smith announced the approval of the Holmes County Ministerial Association Fireworks event to be on June 28,2026 at 6pm. contacts to be Pastor Ryan Martin or Pastor Shelly Chandler.

Department Updates

C. Employee Spotlight

None

XI. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 6:28 pm.

Motion made by Council Member Crews, Seconded by Council Member Dixon.

Voting Yea: Council Member Sellers, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Crews, Council Member Dixon

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