



City of Varnell
Council Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2025

Members Present: Mayor Tom Dickson, Bill Caylor Mayor Pro Tem,
Howard Kash, Bob Roche, Sarah Harrison, Sandy Pangle
City Administrator: Mike Brown
City Clerk: Kai Clayton

Executive Duties

The Mayor and Council meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm and a quorum was confirmed by Mayor Dickson. The invocation was given by Rev. Charlie Rogers, and the pledge was led by Mayor Dickson.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilman Roche to adjust the agenda, moving item #14 up to #10; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Harrison and passed unanimously.

A motion was made to approve the agenda, minutes from January 21, 2025, and financial reports for January 2025. The motion was made by Councilwoman Harrison, seconded by Councilman Caylor, and carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

New Business

Councilman Pangle presented the Public Safety updates for the month of January 2025.

Ramona Pangle advised that the Varnell Community Quilters group would like to raffle off a quilt during the Varnell Days festival. VCQ member Lynn Latham is now the State Coordinator for Quilting for Heroes, Ms. Latham asked the city to provide a locking cabinet for quilting supplies. Councilman Caylor made a motion to cover the cost of the cabinet, with Councilwoman Harrison seconding. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0 with Councilman Pangle abstaining.

Councilman Roche made a motion to amend the budget \$95.00 for the Quilting for Heroes membership fee, ARP \$122,201.04 for the 3rd pavilion payment, and SPLOST '24 \$39,003.00 for 2025 Police SUV. Councilman Caylor seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 5-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Pangle to approve annexation of Parcel 11-263-01-054. Councilman Roche seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

There was a discussion of the Varnell Days festival. Councilman Roche expressed a desire to simplify the festival for 2025. Councilman Pangle would like to use Facebook to encourage community involvement and develop a committee to organize this year's event.

The Council discussed the GMA/GIRMA mandate to provide the Mayor, council members and full-time staff with a selection of immunizations.

The Council reviewed tentative plans for a dog park. Councilman Caylor suggested seeking quotes for Pickleball courts and a new basketball court with installing all three park improvements at the same time. The Council agreed to proceed with gathering further information.

Councilman Pangle provided an update on the construction of the Clyde Williams Pavilion. The project is moving along with an estimated completion by the end of April 2025.

There was also a discussion regarding reservation fees for the Pavilion and the subject will be revisited in March.

Public Comment

No Public Comment

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilman Kash made a motion for adjournment that was seconded by Councilman Roche; the motion carried with a 5-0 vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Kai Clayton
City Clerk