



## **City of Varnell Council Meeting Minutes June 17, 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 6:00 p.m. and a quorum was confirmed by Mayor Dickson. The invocation was led by Pastor Eric Jones, and the pledge was led by Mayor Dickson.

### **Consent Agenda**

A motion was made to approve the agenda, minutes from May 20, 2025, and financial reports for May 2025. The motion was made by Councilman Caylor, seconded by Councilwoman Harrison, and carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Roche to add to the agenda a vote on the Tax Digest. Councilman Caylor seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

### **New Business**

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

Property owners Greg Sutton and Brandon Harrison requested rezoning of parcels 11-192-03-000 and 11-192-15-000 from C-2 to R-7. Ethan Calhoun advised the council that the planning commission accepted the rezoning of the properties. Councilman Caylor made a motion to approve the rezoning, with Councilman Roche seconding. The motion passed with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

Councilman Caylor made a motion for the following budget amendments:

- A. SPLOST 24 - \$19,398.23 for Dog Park (Fencing, signs, benches and waste station)
- B. SPLOST 24- \$193,174.42 - Payment # 7 for Moman and Lock Guys for Pavillion.

Councilman Roche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by 5-0.

Councilman Caylor made a motion to approve the annexation of Parcel- 11-263-01-042, 143 Santa Fe Trail, Pamela Cooper. Councilman Pangle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by 5-0.

Councilman Kash made a motion to approve an alcohol license for the El Sueno #2 with Councilwoman Harrison seconding; the motion passed with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

City Manager Mike Brown updated the Council regarding plans for the Basketball, Pickleball and Tennis Courts. He advised the Council that Carlson & Carlson is looking towards putting together specs on the area soon.

Councilman Pangle provided the Council with an update regarding the Clyde Williams Pavilion. The Council discussed getting more information to replace the signs for the Pavilion on Main St, and at the Walking Track.

The council discussed the current millage rate. Councilman Pangle made a motion to set a 1.377 rate. Councilman Kash seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

### **Public Comment**

Sheriff Pierce spoke of the recent increase in scams geared towards senior citizens. The Sheriffs Department will be hosting a class on this topic, to be held on 7/24/2025 for seniors over 60.

Councilman Caylor mentioned a property next to the Main St playground and pavilion that might go up for sale. He said it could have potential as a future site for a new maintenance building.

Paul Lafortune expressed his concerns about the rezoning and his opinion against further development within the City of Varnell.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Councilwoman Harrison made a motion for adjournment that was seconded by Councilman Caylor; the motion carried with a 5-0 vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by  
Kai Clayton  
City Clerk