

**CITY OF ROCKMART**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**June 10, 2025**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Rockmart City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Pro-Tem Lucille Harris presiding. Council members present at the meeting were Joe Henderson, Mike Bradley, Marty Robinson and Rick Stone. Others present at the meeting were City Attorney Carey Pilgrim, City Manager Stacey Smith, and City Clerk Jada Edwards. Others in attendance are listed on the attached sign in sheet.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ross called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Councilman Henderson, seconded by Councilman Stone. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

**DELEGATIONS**

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**A. None**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. Medical Office – 110 Sycamore Grove – Conditional Use**

Karen Thompson owner stated she currently operates an office in Cave Spring and a lot of her patients are from Rockmart. She stated she wanted to open an office here in Rockmart to better serve the community and her current patients that live here. Her office hours will be Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p. m.

**B. Automobile Service Station – 1600 Rome Hwy – Conditional Use**

Philip Cochran, the program manager, stated he was presenting on behalf of the applicant. He stated that this would be a 3200-square-foot convenience store with 1200 square feet for future retail use. He stated he felt this project would align with the surrounding businesses located in the area.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

### **A. Northwest Georgia Housing Authority – Mary Clark**

A motion was made to appoint Mary Clark to the Northwest Georgia Housing Authority by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilman Robinson. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE**

### **A. Approval – May 13, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the May 13, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes by Councilman Bradley, seconded by Councilman Robinson. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **B. Approval – FY2026 Capital Budget tentative**

A motion was made to approve the FY2026 Capital Budget tentative by Councilman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Henderson. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **C. Approval – Advertisement for Public Hearing on FY2026 O&M Budget and Capital Budget**

A motion was made to approve the Advertisement by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilman Robinson. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **D. Approval – Purchase of Columbarium's estimated \$40,000**

Councilman Bradley stated that city manager will get another quote and that the columbariums will be located on the back side of the gazebo away from the Elm Street side. A motion was made to approve the Purchase by Councilman Bradley, seconded by Councilman Stone. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **E. Approval – Ordinance 2025O-02 Automobile Service Stations – 1600 Rome Hwy – Conditional Use**

The City Attorney stated that the Council requested the Ordinance be tabled until July so the city engineer can look at the easements and the intersection of Brock Rd and Hwy 101. The City Manager explained that the easements were not received until today June 10, 2025 and they did not have time to present them to the attorney for review.

A motion was made to table Ordinance 2025-02 by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilman Robinson. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **F. Approval – Ordinance 2025O-03 Medical Office – 110 Sycamore Grove – Conditional Use**

A motion was made to approve the Ordinance by Councilman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Bradley. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **G. Approval – Ordinance 2025O-04 de-Annexation – 231 Carlton Drive**

A motion was made to approve the Ordinance by Councilman Stone, seconded by Councilman Henderson. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

A. None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. None

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Finance - None
- B. Personnel – None
- C. Public Safety – None
- D. Regulatory & Property – None
- E. Cultural Arts – None
- F. Retirement - None
- G. Recreation – None
- H. Public Works & Utilities - None
- I. SHR Library – None
- J. Downtown Development Authority – None

### **REPORTS**

#### **Mayor Ross**

- Not Present

#### **City Manager**

- Stated she was very excited about the celebration on July 4, 2025.
- Shared the Montessori School is closing and was requesting a letter of support for the sale of the property. Stated she would be sending a support letter but would request NWGHA keep the City informed of potential buyers.

#### **City Attorney**

- Stated the need for executive session for potential litigation.

### **Council Members**

#### **Councilman Henderson**

- Stated that June 20<sup>th</sup> would be the first food truck Friday.

CITY CLERK

- Welcomed the new Medical Office.

**Councilwoman Harris**

- Thanked everyone for all they do

**Councilman Robinson**

- Thanked the Medical Office for choosing to locate in Rockmart.
- Thanked all the staff for all the hard work the last couple weeks.
- Stated he was looking forward to Summer.

**Councilman Stone**

- No Comment

**Councilman Bradley**

- Asked Police Chief Turner for an update on the K-9 dogs on how effective they have been.

**Department Heads**

**Public Works - Brent Edwards**

- No Written report provided.

**Fire - Chief Todd Queen**

- Written report provided.

**Police Department – Chief Randy Turner**

- Written report provided.

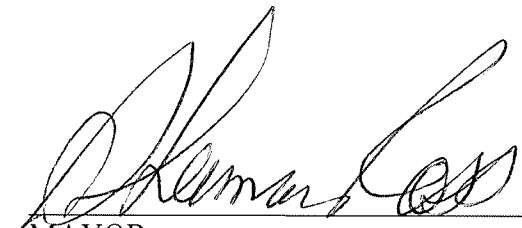
**Waste-Water – Robert Taff**

- Written Report provided.

A motion was made to enter executive session by Councilman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Stone. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, a motion was made to adjourn by Councilman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Stone. All Council Members voted in favor of the motion. The Motion carried.

  
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