

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Hawkinsville, Georgia met in a Regular Meeting
Monday, September 9, 2024 at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Chairwoman Laney Griffin presiding.

PRESENT: Ken Clark, Laney Griffin, Bernice Banks, Tate Mashburn and City Attorney, Jim Elliott. Chairwoman Laney Griffin called the meeting to order.

ABSENT: Shelly Berryhill

Commissioner Tate Mashburn gave the invocation and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Ken Clark moved to approve the agenda. Bernice Banks seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

MINUTES: Laney Griffin moved to approve the August 5, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes. Tate Mashburn seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: James Thigpen spoke on behalf of Christian Hope Baptist Church to invite all in attendance of the meeting to join the church on September 30, 2024 for prayer night. Runelle McDonald expressed his gratitude toward the Board for having Franklin Street paved. Mr. McDonald also requested a speedbump for Franklin Street since it is now paved, the traffic has increased speed. LaKeisha Jones addressed the Board about the shooting that occurred in her mother’s neighborhood back in July of 2024. Ms. Jones questioned why law enforcement was not proactive and requests more of a presence from law enforcement in that area in the future. Joe Raley addressed the Board concerning paving on Watson Street – for the 156 feet that is not paved in front of his property. Mr. Raley asked what his options were to have Watson Street paved since that is city property and the developer will not be paving that area. The city has denied paving Watson prior, but would be willing to get an estimate on what it would cost to pave the area in question, pave the area for Mr. Raley, and be reimbursed by Mr. Raley.

NEW BUSINESS:

Occupational Tax Applications: Ken Clark moved for approval of the presented Occupational Tax Applications. Tate Mashburn seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

BUSINESS NAME	APPLICANT	LOCATION
Bryant Conceptuals	Amy & Chris Bryant	102 Commerce Street
Forever Gorgeous, LLC.	Angelica Moreira	24B Jackson Street
KB Beauty, LLC.	Arianna Herrera	48 Progress Avenue Apt. E4
Sharhonda’s Expression & Bar	Sharhonda Harrell	26 River Chase Drive

Tate Mashburn moved to approve the **Alcohol License Applications for Corner Liquor Store and Sea Shells Seafood & Sports**. Ken Clark seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

Ken Clark moved to approve the contract with **Mobility Specialists LLC D.B.A GA Elevator for the Opera House Elevator Maintenance**. Laney Griffin seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

Ken Clark moved to approve the **GEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant 4400-0066 Recipient Agreement for purchase of the Ryan Street and portable generators**. Bernice Banks seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

Ken Clark moved to approve the **Memorandum of Agreement with Middle Georgia Regional Commission for DOT PHMSA Grant Administration**. Bernice Banks seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

Laney Griffin moved to approve the **2025 Georgia Department of Transportation Airport Funding**. Ken Clark seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

Ken Clark moved to approve **Rural Workforce Housing Initiative Grant Pre-Application for Infrastructure for Hive Construction for up to \$60,000 for gas infrastructure and \$10,000 for grant administration.** Bernice Banks seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

TABLED: Ken Clark moved to table the **2025 Local Maintenance Improvement Grant (LMIG) Road Selection.** Laney Griffin seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

Ken Clark moved to approve the **Dooley Street Light Request adding two street lights on Dooley Street.** Laney Griffin seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Ken Clark moved for approval to enter Executive Session to discuss real estate. Laney Griffin seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all who were present. No oppositions.

The time noted was 7:00 P.M.

RE-OPEN MEETING: Ken Clark moved to re-open the regular meeting. Laney Griffin seconded; motion passed by a yes vote by all were present. No oppositions.

The time noted was 7:07 P.M.

There being no further business to discuss, Laney Griffin adjourned the meeting.


Chairman Board of Commission
Hawkinsville, Georgia

ATTEST: 
CITY CLERK