

City of Byron
Mayor and Council Minutes
June 9, 2025

The City of Byron Mayor and Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Mayor Michael Chidester and Council Members Michael Chumbley, James Richardson, Rusty Adams, Chris Hodges, and Alan Dorsey were in attendance. City employees that attended were City Administrator Tiffany Sandefur, Assistant to the City Administrator Melanie Bickford, City Clerk Telina Allred, Director of Public Works Tiffany Bibb, Chief Court Clerk Dede Thibodeaux, Captain Bryan Hunter, Fire Chief Josh Riley, and Police Chief Wesley Cannon. City Attorney Brian Causey attended the meeting as did 2 visitors. A representative from the Leader Tribune attended the meeting.

Mayor Michael Chidester called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, asked James Richardson to give the invocation, and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Meetings held on May 12, May 21, and May 29, 2025. Unanimous.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MINUTES: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Michael Chumbley to approve the minutes of the Planning & Zoning Commission meetings held on June 3, 2025. Unanimous.

CITIZEN TIME TO ADDRESS COUNCIL: No one came to speak.

COVENANT TO ANNEX: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Rusty Adams to approve a covenant to annex per request of Ralph & Son Construction, LLC regarding property located at 430 Jones Road; tax map 053 024D for the purpose of acquiring water service. Unanimous.

ORDINANCE (#2025-10) REGARDING CHAPTER 6, ANIMALS: Second reading and consider the adoption of AN ORDINANCE (#2025-10) OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND CHAPTER 6 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BYRON RELATING TO ANIMALS, ARTICLE II-DOGS, DIVISION I, GENERALLLY, BY AMENDING SECTION 6-39; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. Motion made by Alan Dorsey, seconded by Michael Chumbley to adopt Ordinance 2025-10. Unanimous.

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CREDIT CARDS THROUGH COLONY BANK: Motion made by Rusty Adams, seconded by Chris Hodges to authorize the City of Byron to acquire new credit cards through Colony Bank. Unanimous.

RESOLUTION REGARDING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FY2024: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by James Richardson to approve the following Resolution authorizing the various Supplemental Appropriations regarding the 2024 Audit for the City of Byron. Unanimous.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA TO SUPPLEMENT THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION PASSED BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL, THE 11th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council did by Resolution on the 11th day of December, 2023, adopt a budget for the operations of the City's functions for Fiscal Year 2024; and

WHEREAS, various supplemental budget adjustments are necessary to conduct the affairs of the City and to implement the policies of the governing body as set out on the attached Exhibit "A", which by this reference is hereby made a part of this Resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the additional sums of money itemized on the attached Exhibit "A", for the various operations of the City of Byron General Fund be hereby appropriated, and those sums in parenthesis are hereby disappropriated for any line item appearing opposite the same.

All Resolutions or portions of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SO ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE FORT VALLEY UTILITY COMMISSION AGREEMENT: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Alan Dorsey to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with the Fort Valley Utility Commission for water services pursuant to the Service Delivery Strategy. Unanimous.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BYRON AND THE FORT VALLEY UTILITY COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Byron and the Fort Valley Utility Commission in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" which by this reference is made a part of this resolution.

All Resolutions or portions of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SO RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

RESOLUTION REGARDING SENIOR CENTER LEASE AGREEMENT: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Michael Chumbley to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Lease Agreement with Heart of Georgia Community Action, Inc regarding the Senior Center. Unanimous.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BYRON AND THE HEART OF GEORGIA COMMUNITY ACTION, INC REGARDING A SENIOR CENTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute a lease agreement with Heart of Georgia Community Action, Inc. in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" which by this reference is made a part of this resolution.

All Resolutions or portions of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SO RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 9th DAY OF June, 2025.

RESOLUTION REGARDING FLOST INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement for the use and distribution of proceeds from the 2026 Floating Local Option Sales Tax for the limited purpose of property tax relief. Unanimous.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BYRON, CITY OF FORT VALLEY, AND PEACH COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Byron, City of Fort Valley, and Peach County in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" which by this reference is made a part of this resolution.

All Resolutions or portions of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SO RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

RESOLUTION REGARDING ACCOUNTING SERVICES: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by James Richardson to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Bennett Financial Services, LLC for Certified Public Accountant Services with the City of Byron. Unanimous.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BYRON AND BENNETT FINANCIAL, LLC.; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with Bennett Financial, LLC. in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" which by this reference is made a part of this resolution.

All Resolutions or portions of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SO RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

RESOLUTION REGARDING JANITORIAL SERVICES: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Alan Dorsey to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Jani-King of Macon regarding janitorial services for the City of Byron. Unanimous.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BYRON AND JANI-KING OF MACON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with Jani-King of Macon in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" by this reference is made a part of this Resolution.

All Resolutions or portions of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SO RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 9th OF JUNE, 2025.

BID AWARD FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL: Motion made by Chris, seconded by Michael Chumbley to award a bid to McLeroy Equipment, LLC for the Cane River traffic signal project. Unanimous.

WRATS FY2026 PRO RATA SHARE: Motion made by James Richardson, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the pro rata share for the City of Byron at \$2040.10. Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Micheal Chumbley to adjourn the meeting at 6:13pm. Unanimous.

Telina Allred
City Clerk