## City of Byron Mayor and Council Minutes August 4, 2025

The City of Byron Mayor and Council met in special session at 10:00 am in the Office of the Mayor at the Municipal Complex. Mayor Michael Chidester and Council Members James Richardson, Michael Chumbley, Alan Dorsey, and Chris Hodges were in attendance. Council Member Rusty Adams attended by phone. City employees that attended were City Administrator Tiffany Sandefur, City Clerk Telina Allred, and Stormwater Manager TJ Thiel attended the meeting as well. No visitors or representatives from the media were in attendance.

Mayor Michael Chumbley called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

AMICUS BRIEF CITY OF MILTON: Mayor Chidester let everyone know of an accident that happened in the City of Milton where a driver crashed into a large cement planter on the side of the road that has always technically been in the right-of-way. He stated the large planter had been there probably before Milton was ever a city. The result of the collision into that planter caused a \$35,000,000 lawsuit against the City of Milton. He further stated the City of Milton has asked cities to file an amicus brief on their behalf. Michael Chumbley made a motion, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve filing an amicus brief on behalf of the City of Milton. Unanimous.

STORMWATER RETENTION POND BOND: Rusty spoke on a bond being in place before the construction of the Cheerleading Studio on Peachwood Drive. He inquired that since the builder was having so much trouble getting the bond to start construction, would it be possible to self-bond the amount and just get reimbursed by the city when it is completed. The Mayor stated that the code reads that a bond is required for the entire system and once the as built is approved, they could be refunded. The conversation was that it may not be cost efficient for the builder to do so. Mr. Adams added that the pond at Sterling Place needed to be looked at and Ms. Thiel stated that she would have it seen about.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: Motion was made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 am. Unanimous.

Telina Allred Clerk of Council