



City of Powder Springs

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4426 Marietta Street
Powder Springs, GA 30127

Meeting Minutes - Final Council Work Session

*Mayor
Albert Thurman*

*Council Members:
Henry Lust, Doris Dawkins, Dwayne Green, Dwight McMutry, Patricia
Wisdom*

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

5:00 PM

Ford Center Reception Hall
4181 Atlanta Street | Building 2
Powder Springs, GA 30127

Location Information:

Onsite: Ford Center Reception Hall, 4181 Atlanta St., Powder Springs, GA 30127

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82325808749>

Dial: 1-929-205-6099 Meeting ID: 823 2580 8749

Call to Order

Mayor Albert Thurman called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. All Council Members were present on site. Council Member Green arrived at 5:31pm. Also present on site were City Attorney Julie Livingston, City Manager Pam Conner and City Clerk Kelly Axt.

Staff in attendance: Lane Cadwell, Phyllis Calloway, Tina Garver, Travis Landrum (Zoom), Shaun Myers (Zoom), Tamara Newkirt, Travis Sims (Zoom), Henry Smith, Yanni Spanoudakis (Zoom) and Marsellas Williams (Zoom).

Mayor's Comments

The Mayor shared that the Kiwanis Club asked him to share his mission trip experience with them; and he received an invitation from Fred Bentley to attend the opening of his Chick Fil A in Mableton.

Work Session Matters

[RPT 25-023](#) Report - Youth Council End of Year Report

Vangie Rodenbeck, Special Projects Supervisor, introduced the Powder Springs Youth Council. Each Youth Council member presented their 2024-2025 overview.

[RPT 25-024](#) Report - Coin Operated Amusement Machines

Julie Livingston, City Attorney, discussed receiving a notification from Kroger's attorney informing of the addition of coin operated lottery machines in their Powder Springs store. Mrs. Livingston added that the machines will be regulated at the State level.

[RPT 25-025](#) Report - SPLOST and Development Updates

Roy Acree, of Croy Engineering, provided updates on the 2016 and 2022 SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) projects as of December 31st 2024.

Tina Garver, Community Development Director, provided updates on the residential and commercial developments in the City.

[RES0 25-072](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE AND USE OF THURMAN SPRINGS PARK AND CERTAIN CITY ROADS TO ACCOMMODATE THE TRIMUSIC FESTIVAL ON AUGUST 16, 2025 FROM 4PM-11PM; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 2025 - 072 TriMusic Festival](#)
[Tri Music Festival 2025 Event Request Redacted](#)
[Tri music festival layout 2025](#)

Travis Landrum, Parks and Recreation Director, discussed the request from Tri Music Festival to host their 3rd annual ticketed music event in the Thurman Springs Park August 16, 2025. Mr. Landrum added that there are also street closures involved around the park, police presence, and the expectation of 500 attendees.

[RES0 25-073](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND STAFF TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS NEEDED TO COMPLETE CERTAIN ADDITIONAL STORMWATER REPAIRS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,936.55 FOR THE LEWIS ROAD PROJECT AND \$22,204 FOR THE FOREST HILL ROAD PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 2025 - 073 Stormwater Change orders Lewis and Forest Hill](#)
[Lewis Road Executed RESO 2024-169](#)
[Lewis Road Executed Work Order MS-202408-013 12-16-24](#)
[Lewis Road Change Order#001 03.12.2025 Redacted](#)
[Forest Hill Rd Executed RESO 2024-182](#)
[Forest Hill Rd Executed Work Order MS-202408-008 12-10-24](#)
[Forest Hill Rd Change Order #001 4-14-25 Redacted](#)

Yanni Spanoudakis, Storm Water Services Director, discussed the replacing of a culvert at the Lewis Road Extension and two culverts at the Forest Hill Road project.

[RES0 25-074](#) A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF STREETS AND OTHER ITEMS CONTAINED WITHIN SPRINGBROOK ESTATES PHASE 1; EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMING THE ACCEPTANCE OF OTHER ITEMS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 2025 - 074 Springbrook Estates Phase 1 acceptance](#)

Tina Garver, Community Development Director, discussed the acceptance of the phase 1 roads.

[RES0 25-075](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CERTAIN SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH CELLEBRITE FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$19,984 FOR USE IN INVESTIGATIONS BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 2025 - 075 Cellebrite PD](#)

[Cellebrite Quote Redacted](#)

Lane Cadwell, Chief of Police, discussed the software system to download information from cell phones for investigations.

[RES0 25-076](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE RENEWAL LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH THE SOUTH COBB ARTS ALLIANCE, INC. FOR USE OF AN OFFICE AND STORAGE AREA AT THE OLD MUSEUM LOCATION IN POWDER SPRINGS AND FOR USE OF GALLERY DISPLAY SPACE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 2025 - 076 SCAA RENEWALS](#)

Pam Conner, City Manager, discussed the lease renewal of the Old Museum in Powder Springs Park with the South Cobb Arts Alliance, and the lease agreement to display art within the City Hall facility.

[RES0 25-077](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE GEORGIA INTERLOCAL RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$282,286.00; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY FOR CYBER COVERAGE WITH FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$3034; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 2025 - 077 GIRMA and Cyber](#)

[Proposal Invoice](#)

Kelly Axt, Administrative Services Director, discussed the renewal of general liability

with GIRMA (Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency) and outside cyber security coverage with Cowbell.

[RES0 25-078](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR ADDITIONAL WORK NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE NEW MUNICIPAL COMPLEX AT THE MUNICIPAL COURT PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 2025 - 078 change orders municipal complex](#)

Pam Conner, City Manager, discussed the Fire Marshalls recommendation for additional exit lighting in the New Municipal complex; additional doors to the Mayor and Council suite area; and repairs to the sidewalks around the project site.

[RES0 25-079](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PLACE AN ADVERTISEMENT IN THE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL OFFICIAL 2025 ALL STAR PROGRAM PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 2025 - 079 All Star program](#)
[All Star Program Invoice](#)

Pam Conner, City Manager, discussed the advertising in the Atlanta Braves Yearbook at a cost of \$5,950.

[ORD 25](#)
[-008](#) Ordinance -Alcohol Ordinance Revision
Special Events and Catering permits

1st Reading 4/21/25 2nd Reading - 5/5/25

Tina Garver, Community Development Director, discussed that some of the amendments have been adopted in recent years and the ordinance maybe withdrawn.

[ORD 25](#)
[-009](#) Ordinance - Code of Ordinance Amendment
Health Spas

1st Reading 4/21/25 2nd Reading 5/5/25

Tina Garver, Community Development Director, discussed adopting Cobb County health spa revisions into Powder Springs ordinances.

Executive Session, if called for the purpose of Real Estate, Litigation or Personnel Matters

No executive session was held.

City Manager and Council Reports

City Manager Pam Conner shared some of her observations near the quiet zone on

Powder Springs Dallas Road.

Council Member Dawkins made no reports.

Council Member Green shared his peace and blessings.

Council Member Lust shared the he'll speak at Tapp Middle School April 28th and in May; and reminded everyone of the Welcome to South Cobb event April 19th.

Council Member McMutry mentioned the Lifestyle magazine article featuring The Mayor and City Manager; and shared the Honorable Kellie Hill asked him to mentor kids next Friday.

Council Member Wisdom shared an overview of the CMA (Cobb Municipal Association) meeting April 8th.

Recess to Next Scheduled City Council Meeting

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, seconded by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, that this Recess to Monday April 21, 2025 at 6:30pm be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Henry Lust, Doris Dawkins, Dwayne Green, Dwight McMutry, and Patricia Wisdom