

City of Forest Hills, Tennessee

Board of Commissioners Meeting

March 19, 2026

5:00 P.M. at City Hall

The City of Forest Hills, Tennessee, Board of Commissioners met at 5:00 p.m. on March 19, at City Hall. Mayor Lanson Hyde presided over the meeting. Vice Mayor Henry Trost and Commissioner Jim Gardner were also present. City Staff present included City Manager Mark Hill, City Engineer Luke Sullivan from the firm Neel-Schaffer, City Attorney Marshall Albritton and City Recorder Charlotte Hunter.

1. Approval of Minutes. After review and consideration, and upon motion made by Mayor Hyde, duly seconded by Vice Mayor Trost, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the February 2026 meeting of the Board of Commissioners.
2. Approval of Financial Statements. After review and consideration, and upon motion made by Vice Mayor Trost, duly seconded by Mayor Hyde, the Board unanimously approved the financial statements for February 2026.
3. New Business
 - a) Metro Police Dept - Monthly Briefing

Sgt. Cecelia Gomez and Michelle Norris talked about incidents from 2/15 to 3/13. One postal and package theft, one construction theft, 5 vehicle stops with 2 warnings and 3 citations, 7 crashes with one injury. The police are warning of a new crime called “sliding”, when you get gas and leave keys in car, someone jumps in front seat and steals your car,

- b) Bison Meadow Park – Suggested design and estimated cost for implementing plan.

City Manager Hill explained the concept for Bison Meadow. The City will clean up the area and plant more trees including native Eastern Redbuds, cedars, Black gum and hornbeams. The parking area will be levelled up and cleaned up. A wildflower bed will be 300 feet x 6 feet. The total price including tilling is \$25, 594.14

After review and consideration, and upon motion made by Mayor Hyde, duly seconded by Commissioner Gardner, the Board unanimously approved the plans to upgrade Bison Park.

c) 1902 Kingsbury Drive (City lot) – Suggested design and estimated cost for implementing plan. City Manager Hill described the plans to improve the empty lot on Kingsbury. The removal of the gravel driveway is the largest expense. Vice Mayor Trost prefers dogwoods over cherry trees. The price will be \$20,838.47

After review and consideration, and upon motion made by Vice Mayor Trost, duly seconded by Commissioner Gardner, the Board unanimously approved the plans to upgrade the lot on Kingsbury.

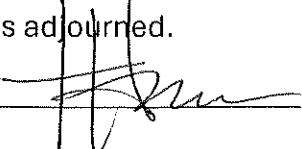
4. Reports from Staff

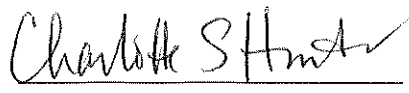
- a. Mark Hill/City Manager. Hill stated the grant for tree planting has occurred and 20 of the 87 trees have been planted along Hillsboro Pike. Budget draft will be at the next meeting. Storm Update: Parke & Mid Tenn are the only contractors that are still working in the City. Two of the cameras were hit in the storm and we are working on getting them back up and running. A tower on OHB was hit in the storm and it will have to come down. It is 600-900 feet tall. The wall at Chickering and Hillsboro was hit but the cameras were down so we will have to pay to replace it.
- b. Luke Sullivan, P.E./City Engineer. Mr. Sullivan updated the Board on the IDIQ work being done in the City. Sessions is doing some paving and will be done by the end of April. The culvert work is 70% done. Three are left to do: Tyne Blvd, Priest and Timberwood. Kingsbury is being striped and adding erosion control. The Bike Path is still in process with the financial coming soon. Title research will be done soon. There are now only 12 property owners. The sign work order has 29 replacements as many were hit in ice storm
- c. Marshall Albritton, City Attorney, advised there are no pending lawsuits or claims with the City. However, the 2 properties on Vintage Place took several trees down on a Sunday and the City had to issue a stop work order. They cleared the ridgetop. TDEC will be involved.

5. Citizen's Comments.

David Young of 5169 Granny White Pike asked for extra help with debris removal as he lives at the end of shared driveway on Granny White Pike with no roadside space.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned.



Mayor Lanson J. Hyde III

City Recorder Charlotte Hunter