

City of Forest Hills, Tennessee

Board of Commissioners Meeting

April 17, 2025

5:00 P.M. at City Hall

Mayor Lanson Hyde III presiding

The City of Forest Hills, Tennessee, Board of Commissioners met at 5:00 p.m. on April 17, 2025, at City Hall. Mayor Lanson Hyde presided over the meeting. Vice Mayor Henry Torst and Commissioner Jim Gardner were also present. City Staff present included City Manager Mark Hill, City Engineers 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 Commissioner Gardner, duly seconded by Mayor Hyde, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the March 20, 2025, 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 Commissioner Gardner, the Board unanimously approved the financial statements for March 2025
- 3. New Business.**
 - a. Metro Police Monthly Briefing – Metro Police Officer Norris (12th South precinct) and Officer Cox (West precinct) reported regarding calls for service in our area. Among the calls were 1 domestic call, 3 disorderly, 8 wrecks with one injury, 2 package thefts, 39 alarm calls, 1 shots fired and sixteen 911 hang ups.
 - b. (Public Hearing) Ordinance # 2025-02 2024/2025 Budget Revisions & 2025/2026 Budget (1st Reading)

After review and consideration, and upon motion made by Commissioner Gardner, duly seconded by Vice Mayor Trost, the Board unanimously approved the 1st Reading of the Revisions and Budget.

- c. Kingsbury Drive & OHB Entrance Project- City Manager Hill presented the rendering for the entrance and the columns for the project. Discussion about location of monuments to be located 4 feet from the guard rail.
- d. Hillsboro Road Corridor Tree Replacement- Currently there are 159 trees from Harding to Old Hickory Blvd. 23 of these trees are declining, 18 are cherry and 5 are dogwood. A Cherry tree has the life span of 25 years. The Board plans to table this until Fall.
- e. 1902 Kingsbury Drive (city lot) – Concept for a City Dog Park- City Manager Hill explained the concept for the dog park to have additional shading, tuft lawn, benches for seating and a gate at the entrance for the walkway for pedestrians and dogs. No cars would be allowed. This is a preliminary idea, and discussions will continue of what to do with this empty lot.

A discussion about the status of the new Bike path on Tyne occurred. Mayor Hyde would like to see a google map overview of the area. Ownership and access easements are needed. ROW versus easement. Row is only 50 feet, and 14 feet from the white center line is the grant standard. The full path will not fit inside the ROW. Appraisals are needed for the land with fair market value for ownership. The first step will be accessing the easement and ROW from homeowners.

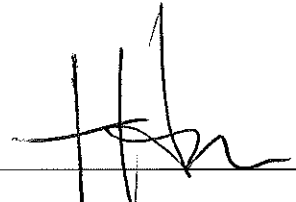
1. Reports from Staff.

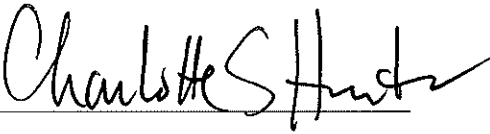
- a. Mark Hill/City Manager. Mr. Hill will email his updates.

- b. Luke Sullivan, P.E./City Engineer. Mr. Sullivan updated the Board on the continuing work of cleaning the ditches in the ROW.
- c. Marshall Albritton, City Attorney advised there could be an issue with a project on Jefferson Davis.

2. Citizen's Comments. None present

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