

City of Forest Hills, Tennessee

Board of Commissioners Meeting

January 15, 2026

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 January 15, 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 Vice Mayor Trost, duly seconded by Commissioner Gardner, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the December 2025 meeting of the Board of Commissioners.
2. Approval of Financial Statements. After review and consideration, and upon motion made by Commissioner Gardner, duly seconded by Vice Mayor Trost, the Board unanimously approved the financial statements for November 2025.
3. New Business
 - a) Metro Police Dept - Monthly Briefing

Sean Richmond introduced himself as the Midtown Commander. Sgt. Cecelia Gomez gave the stats for the week prior. Mayor Hyde reminded them we would prefer a monthly data update and for only incidents that were in the City of Forest Hills. Hyde also asked about how to best request more traffic patrol. Richmond suggested he reach out to Commander James Williams who is over the traffic division. On their last traffic patrol in Forest Hills, they issued 21 tickets on Tyne Blvd.

- b) Ordinance #2026-01 An Ordinance rezoning the property located at 5241 Granny White Pike and amending the Zoning Map of the City of Forest Hills.

This was approved by the Planning Commission in December. This is for the parcel adjacent to and owned by Strong Tower Bible Tower Church.

Hyde would like to see a deed restriction included in sale of property so not more than one home on the property.

After questions from the Board were addressed, a period of discussion, and upon a motion made by Vice Mayor Trost and duly seconded by Commissioner Gardner, the Board unanimously approved to approve the rezoning Ordinance with a deed restriction listed for non-development or zoning changes to property.

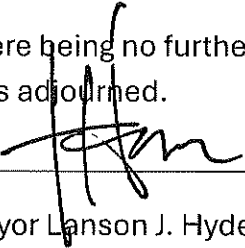
4. Reports from Staff

- a. Mark Hill/City Manager. The City will have a reception for Mark Banks during the next BOC meeting to celebrate his time on the BZA board. BZA will be looking for a replacement. Feb. 19th will also be the Work Session date. An Eagle Scout has approached the City about doing a project, maybe like park benches along the bike path or something. Any ideas? The LPR's helped identify a theft on Granny White Pike and the son found his items on Facebook marketplace.
- b. Luke Sullivan, P.E./City Engineer. Mr. Sullivan updated the Board on the culvert replacement work orders for Stormwater control. The Bike Path project has once again been delayed by TDOT as they have a new project manager and a new staff. They all had to get up to speed on the project and it took a good 3 months. They should be doing a survey for trees soon. IDIQ has been working on punch list for ditching and paving should start soon. Kingsbury road widening options discussed. Hyde asked about the Bike Path easements and Sullivan says they are working on the language and needing more assessments.
- c. Marshall Albritton, City Attorney, advised there are no pending lawsuits or claims with the City. 1845 Tyne came to the BZA and was agreeable with all requests.

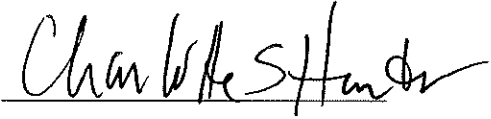
5. Citizen's Comments.

Vice Mayor Trost would like to vote on Bison Park, but it wasn't listed on the agenda. It will be added to the February meeting.

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