CITY OF KEYSVILLE, GA

A City Where Everybody Is Somebody

City Council LINDA WILKES, MAYOR

Sharon Neely
Kathy Couch
Maggie Terrell
Harold Kight
Freddie Harden



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MINUTES KEYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Today's Date: April 14, 2025 Meeting Date: March 10, 2025 TIME: 7:00 PM LOCATION: KEYSVILLE CITY HALL

Meeting called to order by: Mayor Linda Wilkes.

Mayor: Linda Wilkes

Councilmembers Present: Kathy Couch, Maggie Terrell, Freddie Harden, Harold Kight, Sharon Neely

Employee: LaTora Lewis

Others Present: Kathy Brown, James Neely, Jerry Couch, Kathleen Whitaker, True Citizens.

Mayor Wilkes: Welcomed all and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Prayer: Maggie Terrell Absent: Sherell Russ

Agenda:

Mayor Linda Wilkes asked to make a motion to approve the agenda as order of the day. Council Woman Kathy Couch motioned to approve the agenda as order of the day.

VM Sharon Neely seconded the motion.

Minutes approved:

Mayor Linda Wilkes

- Asked for a motion to approve the minutes with necessary corrections if there are any.
- Council Woman Kathy Couch motioned to approve the minutes with necessary corrections if there be any.
- VM Maggie Terrell seconded the motion.
- Mayor Linda Wilkes stated the minutes will stand without any corrections and Council Woman Maggie Terrell stated that there were corrections to be noted.

Corrections:

Maggie Terrell

• Page 1 where it says Council Members, stated Harold Kight was not present in the last meeting so his name should be under absent his name was also listed as present so that needed to be corrected his name should be listed as absent.

Kathy Couch

• Last bullet where it says Sharon Neely, mentioned the road by the lift station stated the road needs at least 2 lights and not 1.

Mayor Linda Wilkes asked for corrections to be approved as noted.

Kathy Couch motion to approve necessary corrections if there be any.

Maggie Terrell seconded the motion.

Mayor Linda Wilkes stated the minutes will stand with corrections as noted.

Committee Reports

Environmental Water

Harold Kight

- Mentioned right where you turn into Mrs. Tessie house there is a hole around the sewer top asked can the city put a barricade up to cover it up.
- Said the city was still having leaks in that area.
- Ms. Lewis stated that J&T Environmental would run new lines across the road.
- Said that the tree was removed out of the pond, also asked was the vinyl replaced?

Emergency/Personnel:

Council Woman Sharon Neely

- Started off with the lights at the Lift Station said that we do have one light asked LaTora to add the second light to the list of lights.
- Councilman Harold Kight stated the light by his place is blinking on and off.
- Sharon Neely stated the main thing is we need to get someone out at night to check the lights.
- Asked about the household trash pickup for Ryland?
- Conversation held amongst the Mayor and City Council about household trash.
- Asked to about the contract for the line dance class?
- LaTora Lewis mentioned that the line dance classes were being held every 2nd Friday instead of Tuesday's. Sharon asked did Sherell receive the contract for the line dance class?
- LaTora answered she think Sherell has the contract in the office.
- Asked about the invoice for the office computer?
- LaTora said that she has called and left a voice message with the guy about the computer.
- Sharon mentioned that the invoice was needed to be updated so that it could be approved to get the computer.

Building & Housing:

Councilwoman Kathy Couch

- Said that she needs to contact the community workers.
- Said that she would still like to have the deer crossing sign.
- LaTora mentioned that she would place the order for the sign.
- Said that she has not heard anything about the Tiny House Ordinance.
- Mayor Linda Wilkes mentioned that the attorney has it.
- Councilman Freddie Harden made a statement about the trailer down on the end of Old Waynesboro Road.
- Maggie Terrell stated down on the end of Old Waynesboro Road and MLK Jr Rd there is trash still on the property where the trailers were torn down.

Roads & Recreation:

Councilman Freddie Harden

Roads & Recreation

- On MLK Rd the driveways were filled with crush n run but over the last two weeks the rain has washed the driveways out, so Burke County needs to be contacted about the driveways.
- MLK and OLD Waynesboro Road right in front 199 Old Waynesboro Road where the road was repaired dirt needs to put in that hole because there is a pothole there.
- On Rhodes Lee Street there was a leak reported on the left side of the road at first it was a leak on the right side now its on the left.
- Stated on MLK Road there use to be a light in front of the lift station there is not a light there anymore and its dark in that area.
- Stated the light at the Basketball Court has not been replaced yet but has been taped off with caution tape.
- Asked if it was okay to fill in the kiddy play area with the proper material so that the roots and the grass will not grow in the play area? Said that he has already spoke with someone about the material
- Was concerned about the safety of the kids.

Finances:

Maggie Terrell

- Queensboro Bank Statement February 2025
- Wellsfargo Bank Statement February 2025
- Charles Walker Revenue Statement February 2025
- Mentioned there was a deposit being made to Eunice Siegler from the General Funds. Mrs. Siegler has been deceased since September 10, 2019, and said that the revenue has been deposited since January 2020 as in if she is an employee of the City of Keysville.
- Asked if the city could investigate the situation?
- Stated that she brought it to Ms. Russ attention.
- Stated that Ms. Russ said that she would look into it.
- Listed an amount of deposit's that was made to Mrs.Seigler.

Agenda

James Neely

- Monday March 17,2025 CCK Recognition Ceremony@5 p.m. at the CW Resource Building
- Mayor Linda Wilkes asked if there was a flyer available.
- Asked of the City of Keysville could participate with donations.

Complaints/Concerns

- Kathleen Whitaker resident of the City of Keysville was concerned about the stray dogs running around and was concerned about what steps she needed to take to rescue the dogs.
- Harold Kight stated that he went down to the Animal Shelter, and they told him the City would have to have a contract and stated that if he was to rescue the dog's himself and take them down to the shelter and said he was told if he was a citizen of Keysville, it will be free of charge to drop the dogs off.
- Mayor Linda Wilkes stated that the city will work on something to get the issue resolved.

Announcements

Election Qualifications will be held August 18-22,2025 from 9a.m. until 12 p.m. \$35.00 fee to qualify.

Adjournment

Mayor Linda Wilkes asked to make a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Woman Kathy Couch motioned to adjourn the meeting. Council Woman Maggie Terrell seconded.

Mayor Linda Wilkes Meeting adjourned.