

**CITY OF EUHARLEE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 03, 2025 – 7:00 PM**

Mayor Craig Guyton called the meeting to order with the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following were present: Mayor Craig Guyton, Council Members Joe Turner, Greg Free and Jayson Frederick, City Manager James Stephens, and Community & Economic Development Director Katie Gobbi. Council Member Tim Abbott was not present.

Public Comments - Agenda Items Only

Marshall Aiken resident, commented on the time limit for public comments, expressing a preference for a 5-minute limit over a 3-minute limit. He also requested that the council provide a brief synopsis of any items added to the agenda not discussed in the work session.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Jayson Frederick motioned to approve the minutes from the City Council Meeting, May 06, 2025, and City Council Work Session, May 20, 2025. Council Member Greg Free seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND NEW BUSINESS

Request to Purchase Club Car UTV - Seth Gobbi

Seth Gobbi, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director presented a request to purchase a Club Car UTV (Utility Task Vehicle) for the Parks and Recreation Department to improve the aesthetic quality of Joe Cowan Park. The purchase price is \$5,713, 1156 hours and funded from the SPLOST account. Council Member Jayson Frederick motioned to approve the purchase of the Club Car UTV for \$5,713 for Seth Gobbi and his team. Council Member Greg Free seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2nd Reading Ord. 2025-05 to Amend Zoning Ordinance for Conditional Approval – Katie Gobbi

Katie Gobbi, Community & Economic Development Director presented the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2025-05 to amend the zoning ordinance for conditional approvals. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval with the addition of one line in Section B. After discussion about the potential impact of the added language, the council decided to table the item for further clarification. Council Member Greg Free motioned to table the zoning ordinance discussion until clarification on Section B, Item 3, from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Council Member Jayson Frederick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Request to Purchase Mowers - Todd Roberts

Todd Roberts, Director of Public Works, presented a request to purchase (4) Skag Cheetah mowers for a total of \$55,316 from Taylor Outdoor Power Equipment. Mr. Roberts shared a small decrease in cost for an operation control shoot cover. Council Member Greg Free motioned to approve the bid for Taylor Outdoor Power Equipment for \$55,316 for (4) Skag Cheetah mowers. Council Member Joe Turner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Time Limit for Public Comments - James Stephens

James Stephens, City Manager, presented a proposal to limit public comments to 5 minutes per speaker to provide an equitable opportunity for all attendees. Council Member Joe Turner motioned to implement a 5-minute time limit for public comments. Council Member Greg Free seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Dog Waste Receptacles - James Stephens

James Stephens, City Manager, presented a quote for \$899 for (4) dog waste receptacle stations, including a starter set of 6,000 bags. The council discussed doubling the order for (8) stations for a total of approximately \$1,800. No formal vote taken, as the amount was below the threshold requiring council approval. The City Manager is authorized to proceed with the purchase.

Bartow County Library MOU - James Stephens

James Stephens presented an amended Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Bartow County Library. The amendment did not include the intern due to liability insurance and sensitive documents. The annual funding amount of \$70,160 removed from the MOU but still needs approval, separately. The MOU does include the commitment to the city for utilities and maintenance on the building at an approximate cost of \$21,000. Any increase in staff is the library's responsibility. The library agreed to stay open until 8:00 pm when there are city events, they have been extremely accommodating with the farmers market, and even with financial realities they are striving to work with the city's intent to increase activity. Council Member Joe Turner motioned to accept the proposal (MOU). Council Member Greg Free seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Council Member Jayson Frederick motioned to approve the \$70,160 for this year. Council Member Joe Turner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Project Manager Update- John Winnenberg

John Winnenberg, Project Manager, provided updates on ongoing projects:

- Osborne Park: Work is progressing with grassing, dog park layout, and parking lot development. There has been discussion about reviewing the pond to make it look better and there is a substantial amount of funds for landscaping. The projected completion date is July 26, 2025, with an additional 30 days for punch list items.
- Army Corps of Engineers project: Discussed timelines for dock opportunities within 12 months.
- Welcome History Center tie-in: Awaiting approval from Bartow County Water.
- Nicko's Pizza Building – The interior work is progressing. A quote for replacing existing siding, presented to approve the renovation of the exterior facade with pine for Nicko's Pizza building for a total amount of \$29,715.

After detailed discussion Council Member Jayson Frederick motioned to approve the renovation of the exterior facade with pine for Nicko's Pizza building for a total amount of \$29,715. Council Member Greg Free seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

John Winnenberg, resident, commented on the library funding, expressing concern about the amount of money invested in an underutilized facility.

Adjournment

Council Member Greg Free motioned to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Jayeson Free seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.