

**TOWN OF HOMER  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 14, 2025**

**REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Cheek called the meeting to order.

Present were Sandra Garrison, Judy Harper, Cliff Hill, James Dumas, and Stephen Parson

James Dumas gave the invocation.

Mayor Doug Cheek led the pledge to the flag.

James Dumas made a motion to approve the minutes of December 10, 2024 meeting. Judy Harper seconded the motion and approved. (5-0)

**Distilled spirits by the package sales**

Daniel Stiles, owner of the Lazy Corner, discussed the desire to sale distilled spirits in one of the vacant buildings in the shopping center where the Lazy Corner is located. Town attorney, David Syfan stated that a referendum would have to be held in order for distilled spirits to be sold by the package. The referendum could be held in March, June, September, or November. No decisions were made.

**APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Pro-Tem, Cliff Hill; Clerk, Carol Ayers; Fire Chief, Cliff Hill; Court Judge, Hammond Law; Attorney, David Syfan; and Election Superintendent/Qualifying Officer, Carol Ayers. Sandra Garrison made a motion to approve the abovementioned appointments. James Dumas seconded the motion and approved. (5-0)

**QUALIFYING FEE NOTICE**

Mayor \$108.00

District 1 Post 2 Council member \$72.00

District 2 Post 2 Council member \$72.00

Cliff Hill made the motion to approve the abovementioned qualifying fees. The motion was seconded James Dumas and approved. (5-0)

**HB 581**

Attorney David Syfan discussed HB581. Banks County is having a meeting with cities to discuss HB581 Friday, January 17, 2025 at 10 a.m.

**Well**

James Dumas reported that Friday (01-17-25) has been set for all involved in the startup of the well and training to get the well up and running again.

**Scales Creek Paving Project**

Cliff Hill reported that KCI is meeting with the gas company and continuing to develop the project.

**Sidewalk**

Work has been placed on hold due to weather conditions.

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**DDA Report**

Stephen Parson read the email from Kellie Jones with an update from the DDA planning meeting. She included dates for upcoming events.

Sandra Garrison made a motion to close the regular meeting for executive session to discuss employee issues, Cyber Security, land and ligation. Motion was seconded by Stephen Parson and approved. (6-0)  
6:45pm

7:50pm Stephen Parson made a motion to open the regular meeting. Motion was seconded by Sandra Garrison and approved (6-0)

**Resolution – Georgia Firefighter’s Pension Fund**

The volunteer firefighters that can qualify for a pension from the Georgia Firefighter’s Pension fund pursuant to the Georgia Firefighter’s Pension Fund qualifications and requirements, shall be paid a monthly amount by the Town of Homer, Georgia equal to the monthly dues that must be paid to said fund by each firefighter in order to qualify for a pension from said fund (and currently in the amount of \$25.00 per month by each firefighter.) The amount will be paid annually.

Motion was made by Cliff Hill to approve A RESOLUTION FOR THE TOWN OF HOMER, GEORGIA, TO PAY THE MONTHLY DUES FOR THE GEORGIA FIREFIGHTERS’ PENSION FUND FOR THE TOWN’S FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME FIREFIGHTERS, AS WELL AS ITS VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS, WHO QUALIFY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. Motion was seconded by Sandra Garrison and approved. (6-0)

Motion was made by James Dumas to allow Joe Kingma to continue representing the Town of Homer in the BCG ligation. Sandra Garrison seconded the motion and approved. (6-0)

Motion was made by Stephen Parson to approve the Cyber Security as discussed in executive session. James Dumas seconded the motion and approved. (6-0)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Carol Ayers

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Doug Cheek, Mayor