



Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Chamber Board of Directors Minutes

Friday | March 6, 2026 | 8:30 AM

City Hall Board Room – 56 Broad Street – Hawkinsville, GA

Present: Lynn Johnson, Jose Lopez-Cruz, Jessica Davies, Nevin Shennett (via phone), Tonya Boyd, Chris VanLandingham (via phone), Ella McGalliard, Bobbie Clemons, Chipper Jones, Jim Ball

Absent: Devin Vargas, Renee Hill

I. WELCOME & INVOCATION

- a. Jessica Davies called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM. Jessica Davies led the invocation.

II. AGENDA

- a. Lynn Johnson presented amending the Agenda to include Juneteenth under New Business. A motion was made to accept the Agenda as amended. There was a second. Passed unanimously.

III. MINUTES & FINANCIALS APPROVAL

- a. Lynn Johnson presented February 2026 minutes to the Board. The minutes were reviewed by the Board. A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented. There was a second. Passed unanimously. Lynn Johnson presented February 2026 Financials with a Profit and Loss statement. A motion was made to accept the financial statements as presented, including the Profit and Loss statement. There was a second. Passed unanimously.

IV. CHAMBER REPORT

- a. The Chamber has 164 members as of March 6, 2026

V. CHAMBER REPORT: UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. Peaches to the Beaches – March 13 & 14, City Hall
- b. Business After Hours – March 17
- c. Chamber Connections Luncheon – March 31
- d. Business of the Month Recognition – April 1, 2:00 PM, Middle Georgia Garage Doors
- e. Employee of the Month Recognition – April 7, 2:00 PM, Bamboo Farming/Chalo Sulky
- f. Tastes of the Town – April 28, 5:30 PM Southern Hills Golf Club

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Lynn Johnson presented allowing the Harness Training Center to use the title “Hawkinsville Harness Festival” with additional information that was provided by

the Harness Training Center. A motion was made to allow the Harness Training Center to use the title "Hawkinsville Harness Festival." There was a second. Passed unanimously.

- b. Lynn Johnson updated the Board on the status of Tastes of the Town.
- c. The music for Summer Family Night with the Chamber was discussed. Planning for this event will be discussed in detail at the next Board meeting.
- d. Lynn Johnson presented the status of work on starting a bingo event.
- e. There was a motion to table the Chamber Conference until the 2027 Chamber Retreat. There was a second. Passed unanimously.
- f. The Board requested additional information regarding the International Travel Program.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Lynn Johnson presented the contract for a new copy machine.
- b. Lynn Johnson presented a networking opportunity attending a Macon-Bacon game. There was a motion to extend an email to the members to see how many would be interested. There was a second. Passed unanimously.
- c. Lynn Johnson presented the Chamber assisting in coordinating a Health Fair during Juneteenth celebrations.

VIII. ADJOURN

- a. Jose Lopez-Cruz adjourned the meeting at 9:35 AM.