



Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Chamber Board of Directors Minutes

Friday | August 7, 2026 | 8:30 AM

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

Present: Lynn Johnson, Jose Lopez-Cruz, Nevin Shennett, Galadriel Johnson, Chris VanLandingham (via phone), Bobbie Clemons, Devin Vargas, Chipper Jones, Jim Ball, Renee Hill

Absent: Jessica Davies, Ella McGalliard

I. WELCOME & INVOCATION

- a. Jose Lopez-Cruz called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM. Chipper Jones led the invocation.

II. AGENDA

- a. A motion was made to approve the Agenda. There was a second. Passed unanimously.

III. MINUTES & FINANCIALS APPROVAL

- a. Lynn Johnson presented July 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 July 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 168 members as of August 7, 2026

V. CHAMBER REPORT: UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. Bingo – August 7, 6 PM People Helping People Building
- b. Business After Hours – August 18, 5:30 PM Wanda's Diner
- c. Bingo – September 4, 6 PM (Powersville Opry Building)
- d. Chamber Connections Luncheon – September 29, 11:30 AM Location TBD

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- a. None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Lynn Johnson presented that Red Clay Rodeo contacted the Chamber to collaborate for the upcoming rodeo. With the presenter not present and no additional information available, no action was taken.
- b. Lynn Johnson presented a schedule, activities, and location options for 2026 Ocmulgee Riverfest. Nevin Shennett presented shirt color options. The Board discussed all the options. A motion was made to approve the schedule, activities, and (pending city approval) location. There was a second. Passed unanimously. There was a motion to approve garnet as the shirt color. There was a second. 8 approved, 1 abstained

VIII. ADJOURN

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