



**CITY OF TOCCOA**  
**CITY COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES • FEBRUARY 10, 2025**

**Regular Meeting**

**City Commission/Court Room**

**5:00 PM**

92 North Alexander, Toccoa, GA 30577

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Carter called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION**

Reverend Paul Garrison gave the Invocation

**PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Terry Carter	Mayor	Present	
Evan Hellenga	Vice Mayor	Present	
Michelle Jamieson	Commissioner	Present	
Gail Fry	Commissioner	Present	
Ron Matheson	Commissioner	Present	
Fredda O. Wheeler	City Manager	Present	
John Dickerson	Attorney	Present	
Beth Rider	City Clerk	Present	

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Commissioner Fry, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hellenga to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gail Fry, Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Evan Hellenga, Vice Mayor
<b>AYES:</b>	Carter, Hellenga, Jamieson, Fry, Matheson

**I. CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Commissioner Fry, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hellenga to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gail Fry, Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Evan Hellenga, Vice Mayor
<b>AYES:</b>	Carter, Hellenga, Jamieson, Fry, Matheson

- A. Request for Approval of Minutes of January 27, 2025 Planning Meeting
- B. Request for Approval of Minutes of January 27, 2025 Commission Meeting

**REPORTS**

Vice-Mayor Hellenga stated after our last meeting we had a significant water and gas main break

on Currahee Street that required a lot of effort to get repaired and back on line. Vice-Mayor Hellenga gave a shout out to all the workers that played a role in getting the utilities back up and running.

Commissioner Fry reported she attended the Board of Health meeting. She stated people don't realize what a service the Health Department does for our Community with vaccinations. They go to the schools and provide services and to the businesses and it is not too late to get your flu shot. Commissioner Fry stated attending the meeting you also hear about the growth of our Community because of all the septic tanks this year compared to last year.

Commissioner Matheson commended Chief Carlisle on a very successful celebration for his staff last week. Chief Carlisle was handling promotions and recognized a retiring Officer. The families of the Officers were there and it was great to see them there.

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

C. Proclamation: Toccoa Arbor Day

Mayor Carter read the Arbor Day Proclamation

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Hellenga, seconded by Commissioner Fry to adopt the Arbor Day Proclamation. Motion carried unanimously.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Evan Hellenga, Vice Mayor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gail Fry, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Carter, Hellenga, Jamieson, Fry, Matheson

D. Second Public Hearing: Consideration to Opt Out of House Bill 581

Attorney John Dickerson opened the Public Hearing for a second Public Hearing for House Bill 581 for anyone that would like to speak or if anyone had questions.

Mr. Jeffrey McCormack, 472 Scenic Drive, Toccoa - Mr. McCormack spoke regarding House Bill 581.

Attorney Dickerson closed the Public Hearing at 5:14 p.m. and stated a third Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, February 27, at 6:00 p.m.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTATION</b>
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E. Consideration of Lease Agreement with Milestone Tower Limited Partnership

A motion was made by Commissioner Fry, seconded by Commissioner Jamieson to accept the Lease Agreement with Milestone Tower Limited Partnership to place a tower at Alewine Park. Motion carried unanimously.

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Gail Fry, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Michelle Jamieson, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Carter, Hellenga, Jamieson, Fry, Matheson

F. Monthly Financial Report

Finance Director Becky Bohannon gave the monthly financial report for month ending January 31, 2025.

**RESULT:** PRESENTATION

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Recognition of Visitors Wishing to Speak on General Items. (Limit 3 Minutes)

**V. ADJOURN**



*M. Carter*  
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Mayor  
*Beeth Ryder*  
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City Clerk