

SPECIAL CALELD COUNCIL MEETING 4040 SOUTH BERKELEY LAKE ROAD BERKELEY LAKE, GEORGIA 30096 FULL MINUTES JANUARY 9, 2025

ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Lois Salter

Council Members: Scott Lee, Chip McDaniel and Rebecca Spitler

City Officials: Leigh Threadgill - City Administrator, Dick Carothers - City Attorney

Members of the Public: 4 Members of the Press: 0

CALL TO ORDER

Salter called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum of council members was in attendance.

AGENDA

Salter solicited a motion regarding the agenda.

Lee made a motion to accept the agenda as submitted. Spitler seconded the motion. All council members were in favor and the motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING

Salter opened the public hearing to receive comments regarding opting out of the statewide homestead exemption enacted by HB 581.

No one from the public spoke about HB 581.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Susan Hanson, 3755 North Berkeley Lake Rd, stated that she came to the October 2024 meeting expressing concerns about the overpopulation of deer. In November, she contacted Ben McCullar with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources who walked with her and others through the greenspace. Hanson reported that during the walk McCullar squatted down and said this is what the deer see. There is nothing left for them to eat in the

Council Meeting Minutes January 9, 2025 Page 1 of 2 greenspace. The Berkeley Lake Conservancy is concerned about that and how it can be addressed.

Karen Geiger, 630 Lakeshore Drive, spoke in support of Hanson and seconded her comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, McDaniel moved to adjourn. Lee seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Salter adjourned the meeting at 6:07 PM.

Submitted by:

Leigh Threadgill, City Clerk

