Mayor Randy Garrett
678-986-0441
townofgoodhope@windstream.net

City Clerk Crissy Robison

Council Members
P1 – Keith Prather
P2 – Michael Young
P3 - William Malcom
P4 – John Robison
P5 - David Mullis, Jr.

Good Hope City Council Meeting
January 5, 2026

A ceremony honoring our 2025 Citizens of the Year, Dan and Abbie Bennett, was held prior to the City Council Meeting.

1. **Call to order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**: Mayor Garrett gave the invocation, and Councilmember Young led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Roll call**: Performed by City Clerk Crissy Robison; All present

3. **Approval of agenda**: Councilmember Prather made a motion to accept the agenda. Councilman Malcom seconded, all approved, and agenda was approved as presented.

4. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes**: Councilman Young made a motion to accept the December minutes. Councilman Robison seconded, all approved, and the minutes were recorded.

5. **Public Forum**: None

6. **Committee reports/updates**:

A. Financial Report(s): Councilman Prather made a motion to accept the monthly financial report. Councilman Young seconded, all approved, and financial report was approved as presented with amendment to CD Income column to include the December 31 balance upon receipt of statement from Synovus Bank.

B. City Hall Rentals: Mayor Garrett advised that rentals continue to be steady. There were 40 rentals for the 2025 year.

C. Building/Grounds Cmte Update: Councilman Prather shared some information about the roof repair. The committee will continue to get bids from additional contractors.

D. Year End Review: Mayor Garrett shared the SPLOST review with the council. A majority of the funds have been allocated to paving projects. SPLOST 4 is used for paving, while SPLOST 5 is used for city hall updates, etc.

7. **Unfinished business**: None

8. **New Business**:

A. Councilman Robison made a motion to erect a memorial sign in honor or the late George Prather. Councilman Malcom seconded the motion, all approved, and motion was passed.

9. **Council Discussion Items**:

A. Ethics Reporting Changes: City Clerk Crissy Robison shared upcoming changes for the 2027 year regarding Ethics reporting requirements for elected officials. Councilmen were advised to monitor 2026 emails closely for training sessions that will be offered during the year.

B. Business Licenses, Bidding, and E-Verify Requirements: City Clerk Crissy Robison shared information about the E-verify requirements for contractors and businesses in the city of Good Hope. We will use a more formal process for bidding contracts during the 2026 year-More information to come.

10. **Adjourn**: Next regular meeting is February 2, 2026; Councilman Prather made a motion to adjourn, Councilman Young seconded, all approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:20.

_____ _____

Mayor City Clerk