

Hahira City Council
November 13, 2025
Council Meeting
6:00 PM – Hahira Courthouse

Mayor Bruce Cain called the Council Meeting of the City of Hahira to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Louise White, Council Members Mason Barfield, Klay Luke, David Lindsey, and City Manager Jonathan Sumner. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and Invocation was given by Councilman Luke.

5. REVIEW/CORRECTION OF MINUTES
 - A. September 30, 2025 Work Session
 - B. October 2, 2025 Council Meeting

Councilwoman Luke made a Motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Lindsey. No discussion, all were in favor.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Variance Request for I-75 Interchange Billboard Replacement – Williams Investment Company was presented by City Manager Sumner. The Williams Family has requested certain variances from the Hahira Zoning Ordinance to replace the billboard sign damaged by the hurricane. City Manager Sumner explained the current ordinance and gave details about the pre-existing billboard. Mayor Cain asked if anyone wishes to speak against the variance request, there were none. Mayor Cain asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the request, Rick Williams spoke in favor of the request. He stated his appreciation for the Mayor and Council for their consideration of this request and gave further details regarding the request. Counsel had no further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem made a Motion to approve the variance request as long as they build it back as it stood before the damage, seconded by Councilman Barfield. All were in favor.
- B. Request for Package Sale of Beer and Wine – Citgo Station – 1278 Georgia Highway 122 was presented by Chief Stryde Jones. Chief Jones found that there was no information that would prevent them from holding this license and have met all requirements. Council had no further questions. Mayor Cain asked if anyone wished to speak against the request, there were none. He then asked if anyone wished to speak in favor, there were none. Council had no further discussion. Councilman Lindsey made a Motion to approve the request, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem White. All were in favor.

7. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Chief Stryde Jones read the name of the one citizen wishing to be heard. Mr. Rick Williams had already stood and spoken in favor of the Williams Family variance request.

8. REVIEW OF BILLS/BUDGET OVERAGE

Mayor Cain asked if Council had any questions regarding the bills and budget overage, there were none. Councilman Lindsey made a Motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Luke. All were in favor.

9. DISCUSSIONS

A. Request by Gralyn HOA for Street Light - \$6,020 – General Fund was presented by Victoria Medeiros, President of the HOA. She stated there are several complaints from the neighborhood regarding the lack of lighting above the neighborhood mailbox, which is also next to the playground. They are seeking to ask the City to install a streetlight at the location. Mayor Pro Tem reiterated from Monday night that she wishes to table this for further discussion and to do more homework. City Manager Sumner stated a specific date was requested. Mayor Pro Tem White stated she would be taking vacation soon and it would be the new year before she would be able to do her research. Ms. Medeiros asked if there was any specific information she could provide, Mayor Pro Tem White stated she had to be the one to look at it all to make her decision. Councilman Barfield stated he would be in support of it after he looked during the night hours and saw how dangerous it was. Further discussion was held. Mayor Pro Tem White made a Motion to table this until January, seconded by Councilman Luke.

B-E. REMOVED.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. FEMA Generator Grant – Cowart Electric - \$173,150 - \$151,584 Grant - \$21,566 SPLOST VIII Match
- B. FEMA Grant Award – Equipment (Turnout Gear, SCBA Units) - \$67,371 - \$3,369 SPLOST VIII Match
- C. Clerk's Spring Conference – Jekyll Island – February 1-3, 2026
- D. WIIN Grant Documents - \$1,102,000 – Well #1 Redrill – GEFA
- E. Christmas Street Lights - \$6,300 – General Fund
- F. Pest Control Services – Sorrell Pest Control Proposal - \$2,520 Annually
- G. Holiday Agenda Deadline and Packet Distribution Schedule
- H. 3 Aerators - \$35,000 – American Pump Company – SPLOST VIII

Councilman Barfield made a Motion to approve all listed items above, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem White. No further discussion, all were in favor.

11. REPORTS

Councilman Barfield thanked those for coming tonight. He thanked all staff directors, Chiefs. Getting into busy time of year with Thanksgiving and Christmas. It was a pleasure growing up in this small town and this is a fun time. He stated it was a pleasure working with everyone.

Mayor Pro Tem White stated with the upcoming holiday season she hopes everyone stays safe. It's always good to see those at council meetings.

Councilman Luke stated it has been a pleasure serving with Councilman Barfield and learned a lot from him. He thanked all employees with the City. He appreciates the citizens and appreciates the HOA and said we would do our due diligence on that streetlight. He appreciates the Williams Group for being here tonight. It has been an honor serving with Mayor Cain.

Councilman Lindsay stated he had to piggyback on others. After nearly a 2-hour meeting earlier this week he was going to keep it short.

City Manager Sumner thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to serve. Has enjoyed his past 19 years with the City. He thanked department heads. He thanked public works for putting up the Christmas lights. He thanked public safety and front office staff. He wanted to make note of the fact that we are in the process of bringing phase II of Woodbridge Ditch to bid next month. Seeing that come to completion brings personal satisfaction. The wastewater treatment plant is now at 30% completion and suggests all go and take a look.

Mayor Cain thanked Chief Thompson for his work on the grant. He thanked all Department heads. He appreciates all of you for coming out tonight. He thanked all council members for all they do.

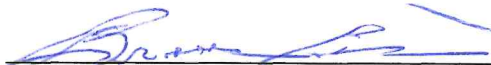
12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Barfield made a Motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Luke. All were in favor.

The November 13th Council Meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.



Mayor Bruce Cain



City Clerk Lisa Mashburn