

Hahira City Council
June 4, 2026
Council Meeting
6:00 PM – Hahira Courthouse

Mayor Terry Davis called the Council Meeting of the Hahira City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Terry Davis, Mayor Pro Tem Klay Luke, Council Members Cindy Becton, Louise White, David Lindsey, and City Manager Jonathan Sumner. A quorum was present. Also present were Chief Stryde Jones, Chief David Thompson, and Main Street Director Jennifer Price.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

4. **Invocation** was given by Mayor Pro Tem Luke.

5. **Special Presentation in Memory of Officer Caleb Abney.** Chief Jones spoke on behalf of staff regarding Officer Abney and presented the family with shadow boxes in Officer Abney's memory. He stated that Officer Abney's call sign H11 has been retired. Charles White of Congressman Austin's Scott's office presented 3 flags which were flown over the State Capital in honor of Officer Abney. One was presented to the Abney family, one to Hahira Police Department, and one to City Hall. Will Keyes of the US District Attorney of Middle Georgia's office read letters from the Attorney General and presented those to the family.

6. **Review/Correction of Minutes:** Mayor Davis asked if there were any comments on the May 5, 2026, Work Session minutes or the May 7, 2026, Council Meeting minutes. There were none. Councilwoman Becton made a Motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Lindsey. All were in favor

7. **Citizens to Be Heard.** Mayor Davis asked Chief Jones if there were any citizens to be heard, there were none.

8. **Review of Bills/Budget Overages:** Mayor Davis asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the bills/budget overages, there were none. Mayor Pro Tem Luke made a Motion to approve the bills/budget overages, seconded by Councilwoman Becton. All were in favor.

9. **Discussions**

A-C were removed. D was moved to the consent agenda. E was removed for a later date.

10. **Department Requests**

- A. *Main Street Conference – Rome, Georgia, August 17-20, 2026*
- B. *Tasers – Axon - \$280,000 – 5 Years – SPLOST VIII & IX*
- C. *Virtual World IT Agreement - \$90,000 – Proprietary and General Funds*
- D. *TTL Watershed Assessment Monitoring Contract - \$31,000 – Proprietary Fund*
- E. *Vertical Turbine Pump – Hydra Service – Proprietary Fund - \$45,453*

Councilman Lindsey made a Motion to approve items A-E, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Luke. All were in favor.

11. **Reports.**

Mayor Pro Tem Luke stated he was appreciative of all in attendance. He thanked Chief Jones for the presentation to the Abney family. He thanked department heads and stated he thinks we have the best employees. Hahira is a special place to live, and he is proud to be an American.

Councilman Lindsey thanked Chief Jones. He also thanked Director Jones for all he does. He stated he was thankful for all that was in attendance for the Abney presentation and that he was praying for the family.

Councilwoman White stated she wanted to give her time over to the Mayor. She also stated she has great respect for the Abney family and all law enforcement.

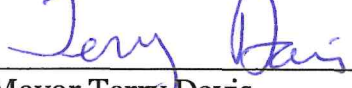
Councilwoman Becton stated she was thankful for everything done for the Abney family. She also stated we have the best employees and thankful for all.

City Manager Sumner stated he was thankful for the opportunity to serve. He thanked the department heads for the job they do. He said our thoughts and prayers go out to the Abney family as well as the police department. He added a few housekeeping notes stating that we typically take the first week of July off, but we will be having the work session and council meeting in July.

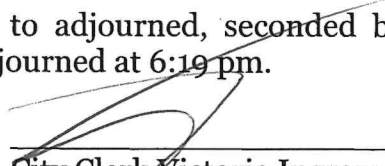
Mayor Davis stated that after 42 years in law enforcement it was tough losing one in the line of duty. He thanked the ladies in the office and the City Manager for an awesome audit. He stated the only finding was the same one we have every year due to our size. He stated the city hall crew was awesome. He thanked Director Jones and said the city is shining and the city is doing a great job. He is excited that the city is moving forward with new opportunities. We have growing pains, but everything is going in the right direction. He stated he hoped the room could be filled at future meetings. Mayor Davis also thanked Fancy Girl Farms for the beautiful flower bed at city hall.

12. **Executive Session** was not utilized.

Councilwoman White made a Motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Becton. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 pm.



Mayor Terry Davis



City Clerk Victoria Ingram