

January 13, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor LaWanda Tatum called the regular meeting of the Lawrenceville Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on January 13, 2026.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called. Present: Council Members, Jeanette Grimes, Dora Hardy, Scott Martin, Robert F. Pecht, III, Alice Talbert, and Anne Williams.

Absent; Council Member, Teya J. Whitehead

Also present: Town Attorney, W.C. Outten, Jr., Town Manager, Randy Lynch, Town Clerk, Patti Lewis, Special Projects Coordinator, Kimberly Martin, Police Chief, Clay Clary, Police Officer, Everette Gibson, Director of Public Works, Mike Brown, Justin Thomas, Leonard Rose, citizens, and press.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Tatum led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Mr. Pecht, seconded by Mrs. Talbert and carried by all ayes, Town Council voted to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on December 10, 2025, as received, suspend the reading and file.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Ms. Williams and carried by all ayes, Town Council voted to approve the agenda as presented.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

LEONARD ROSE

Mr. Rose spoke about social concerns.

LAWRENCEVILLE EDA

Mr. Lynch presented the report that is included in the add packet and LEDA recommends Ms. Jeannette Grimes and Mr. Chase Fletcher fill the vacant positions. On motion by Mr. Pecht, seconded by Mrs. Talbert and carried by all ayes, Town Council voted to appoint Ms. Grimes and Mr. Fletcher to the LEDA Board.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Tatum spoke on the Toy Drive and the Christmas Vendor Market. The Toy Drive served 109 families and 241 kids, she lost count after this number, she expressed appreciation for all donations and said the events had great turnout. The vendor market had 27 vendors, to include items such as funnel cakes to meats; pork and lamb. Mayor Tatum reported the 1st Business Appreciation gathering was a success, with food and a casual setting. Mayor Tatum thanked Mrs. Martin for her help in making this happen. Mayor Tatum says her focus for 2026 is a Healthy Living Series, she will continue to advocate for the health of the community.

COMMUNITY THRIVER AWARDS

Mayor Tatum chose Town Council as the recipient of the Community Thrivers for January 2026. She Thanked all for their continued support and efforts and presented each member with a goody bag and keychain.

REPORT OF TOWN ATTORNEY

No formal report.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

CONSIDERATION OF ACCOUNTS

Mrs. Lewis reported the bills total \$122,379.35. On a motion by Mr. Pecht, seconded by Mrs. Talbert and carried by all ayes, Town Council voted to pay the bills in the amount of \$122, 379.35 and post to the proper accounts.

REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT WORKSHEETS

Mr. Lynch introduced Brian Knaus and colleague from the Enterprise Fleet Management Group. Mr. Knaus provided a fleet synopsis, to explain how the partnership would benefit the Town Police and Public Works Departments, through improved leverage in purchasing, reduce maintenance and maximize cash flow for the equity in the vehicle program. Committees will meet later for recommendations.

TTHM AND HAA5 QUARTER 4 UPDATES

Mr. Lynch stated the results are in the packet, test complies.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING

The Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting will be on Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lawrenceville Town office meeting room. The flyer is in the packet.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Pecht stated the Finance committee will meet on January 22, 2026 at 2pm for Fiscal Year updates.

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

In the month of December 2025, The Lawrenceville Volunteer Fire Department responded to twenty-eight (28) calls. Of the total, four (4) were in the town limits, twenty-four (24) were outside of the town limits.

Also of the call total, sixteen (16) were within Lawrenceville Fire's 1st Due, with twelve (12) being mutual aid to other agencies. Approximately, twenty and a half (20.5) man hours were expended.

The following is a breakdown of incidents. Arcing Electrical Equipment (1) Disregard (9), Medical Assist (11) MVC w/injuries (3) MVC w/o injuries (1) Smoke Scare (2) Vehicle Fire (1)

1st Due-16

Mutual Aid-12

In Town-4

Out of Town-24

Total calls-28

Total man hours expended-20.5

PERSONNEL

Openings are listed in packet; A new Employee started Monday, January 5, 2026 at the Water Treatment Plant.

POLICE

Chief Clary's report is in the packet, LPD officers responded to 432 calls for service, issued 22 Virginia uniform traffic summons. Chief Clary was introduced and spoke at the Business Appreciation Day event on December 18, 2025.

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

No report.

STREETS, LIGHTS & CEMETERY

Public Works Director, Mr. Michael Brown provided a detailed report in reference works and duties completed since last council meeting. Mrs. Talbert stated the Committee will meet soon.

TOWN DEVELOPMENT

No report. A Committee meeting will be scheduled soon.

WATER/WASTEWATER

Per Mr. Pecht reports the TTHM 4th Quarter test are in compliance.

HOUSING CODE ENFORCEMENT

No report.

PARKS/RECREATION

No report.

WELLNESS

No report.

FARMER'S MARKET

No report.

LAWRENCEVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

No report.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Blueprint Next Steps towards Homeownership-Thursday, January 15, 2026; 5:30-7:30pm

Comp Plan Committee Meeting- Thursday, January 15, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Thank You Note from Ms. Bettie Vaughan, The Country Mouse School

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Tatum will schedule a meeting to go over items/committees from the Council Retreat, to be scheduled the first of the year, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Tatum adjourned the meeting.

LaWanda Tatum, Mayor

Patti Lewis, Clerk