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COUNCIL WORK SESSION
Tennille Fire Department
March 02, 2026
6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

A work session of the Tennille City Council was held on Monday, March 02 2026, with Mayor Eartha Cummings presiding.

Council Members present were Brainard Crawford, Clifford B. Coleman, Sr., Sidney A. Swan, David Hartley, and Deborah E. Rhodes.

Others in attendance were Michael Howard, *City Attorney*, Tanisha Ball, *Asst. City Clerk/Court Clerk*, Kelvin Jordan, Leonard Jordan, and Kenya Poole.

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Eartha Cummings.

Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Eartha Cummings.

Invocation

The invocation was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Brainard Crawford.

Minutes For Review

The minutes for February 16, 2026, were presented to council for review.

Monthly Reports

- The Building Official report for 02/2026 was presented to council for review.
 - o Mayor Cummings shares update on the water tower leak on Joiner Road the weekend prior. Repairs began on Monday, February 16 once the water was drained from the tower.
- The Sheriff's Office incident report for 02/2026 was emailed to council for review.

New Business

- Council Meeting Ordinance Review
 - o Attorney Michael Howard shares a final review of the proposed meeting updates. This serves as the third of final reading of the proposed updates.

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- Attorney Michael Howard
 - o Attorney Michael Howard has no updates.

Mayor/Council & Committee Concerns

- Mayor Pro-Tem Brainard Crawford
 - o Mayor Pro-Term Brainard Crawford notes the District One Town Hall meeting was a success. District One turn out was approximately 6-8 people. Mayor Pro-Tem Crawford thanks the citizens for being able to come out and voice their concerns for the City.
- Council Member David Hartley
 - o Council Member David Hartley shares the City account has been established with the landfill for debris disposal.
 - o Council Member Hartley notes the debris planning is still ongoing and more speed bumps will be placed once the Public Works Supervisor returns from leave.
- Council Member Sidney Swan
 - o Council Member Sidney Swan shares an update that he has been in contact with Public Works Supervisor, Calvin Smith, to install a new goal at the MLK Park.
 - o Council Member Swan notes himself, Council Member David Hartley, and Council Member Clifford Coleman met and began initial brainstorming on the Downtown Committee.
 - o Swan goes on to share that the District 2 Town Hall meeting is upcoming on Saturday, March 14.
- Council Member Clifford Coleman
 - o Council Member Clifford Coleman shares the District One Town Hall meeting effective and the citizens who were able to attend were extremely engaged.
- Mayor Eartha Cummings
 - o Mayor Eartha Cummings shares she was able to submit a presentation to Senator Osoff's office on behalf of the City the Friday prior.
 - o Council Member Swan notes there is a small leak on W Adams.
 - Assistant City Clerk Tanisha Ball notes a repair request has been submitted as this repair has to be approved by GA DOT.
 - o Council Member David Hartley reminds council that we want to review options for updated camera services.
 - o Mayor Eartha Cummings shares that she met with the City's GA Power representative. The franchise check received annually increases this year by 7%.
 - The representative shares he would survey the City and reconsider the options for underground wiring for City streetscape plans as underground wiring is extremely costly. Mayor requested if underground wiring is not obtainable, if GA Power could present any beautification options to align

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with ideals for the downtown area.

Adjourn

With no further business, Council Member David Hartley makes a motion, seconded by Council Mayor Pro-Tem to close the work session. The work session is adjourned.