

CITY COUNCIL:
MAYOR ZINDA MCDANIEL
MAYOR PRO TEM LULA SMART
COUNCIL MEMBER KECHIA HARRISON
COUNCIL MEMBER DONALD MORGAN
COUNCIL MEMBER MATTIE NELOMS



CITY OFFICIALS:
CITY MANAGER WILLIE BURNS
CITY CLERK TABATHA FOWLER
ATTORNEY KARLA WALKER
CHIEF OF POLICE LAWRENCE MCGEE
FIRE CHIEF ANTHONY GUARINO

QUITMAN CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday August 5, 2025
6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Zinda McDaniel called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Those present were Mayor Pro Tem Lula Smart, Councilmen Donald Morgan, and Mattie Neloms. Also present were City Manager Burns, City Clerk Tabatha Fowler, and City Attorney Carla Walker. Not present Councilmen Keicha Harrison.

II. INVOCATION

Mayor McDaniel called on Pastor Hunter for the invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor McDaniel led the Pledge of Allegiance

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor called for adoption of the agenda. Councilman Morgan made a motion to add reviewing the nuisance ordinance and approve amended agenda, seconded by Councilman Smart. Voting yes (Neloms)

V. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion of Councilmen Morgan to approve minutes of July 1 Regular Meeting as submitted and seconded by Councilman Neloms. Voting yes (Smart)

VI. MILEAGE RATE

Mayor McDaniel called for review of the proposed milage rate from Brooks County Tax Office. Upon review, Mayor Pro Tem Smart made a motion to accept the recommended roll back rate, seconded by Councilmen Neloms. Voting Yes (Morgan)

VII. APPROVAL OF BUSINESS LICENSE

Shakenrician's
Authentic Xpress Detailing
Upon motion of Councilman Neloms and seconded by Councilmen Morgan, both business license was approved. Voting yes (Smart)

VIII. BROOKS COUNTY LIBRARY – Scott Routsong

Mayor McDaniel stated no one was in attendance for the Brooks County Library, no action taken.

IX. MAYORS REPORT

Mayor McDaniel made a few short announcements including some upcoming events.

August 16 Back to School Bash at the Quitman Annex – Will be giving out back packs with school supplies, hot dogs, chips, and drinks from 10-2.

August 23 Back to School Hair Cuts & Hair Do's from 9-2

October 11 City Clean Up

October 18 Skillet Festival

X. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Burns announced he wanted to give a hat off to everyone that helped and participated in the July 4th event. He also said there would be an increase in grass cutting and limb trimming to prepare for school to start back. Public resources will be focused on clearing bushes and hanging limbs to ensure clear eyesight for the bus routes.

Councilmen Donald Morgan wanted to thank James Horton for conducting the survey about Walker Street School site. He said that over 160 responses were gathered on ideas to do with the site.

XI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

James Horton came forward to tell everyone about a Historic Tour that would be coming to our area. The Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation will be holding a Fall Ramble October 10-12, and they will be focused on Quitman that Sunday. To participate tickets can be purchased online.

Lindsey Mobley came forward to address the Council.

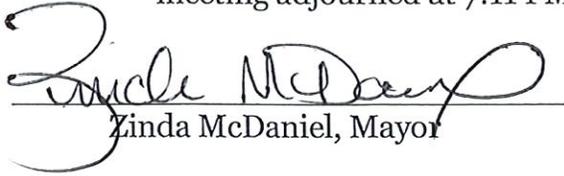
Grace Pittman came forward to ask the Council for help with a nuisance property.

Leroy Hunter came forward to tell the Council that his church, Friendship Church, is a Rosenwald Church and they hold monthly meetings the first Thursday at 4:00 PM.

Gary Christan came forward to ask the Council to consider investing in a public fishing area. He said with some of the property that the city already owns and is prone to hold storm water, it wouldn't be that much of a project.

XII. ADJOURN

Upon motion from Councilmen Neloms and seconded by Morgan, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 PM. Voting Yes. (Smart)


Zinda McDaniel, Mayor


Tabatha Fowler, City Clerk

Date Minutes Approved: 9-2-25