

**MAYOR**  
Brian West

**MAYOR PRO TEM**  
Monty Parks

**CITY COUNCIL**  
Bill Garbett  
Spec Hosti  
Tony Ploughe  
Nick Sears  
Kathryn Williams



**CITY MANAGER**  
Bret Bell

**CITY CLERK**  
Fabian Mann

**ASST CITY MANAGER**  
Michelle Owens

**CITY ATTORNEYS**  
Edward M. Hughes  
Tracy O'Connell

## **CITY OF TYBEE ISLAND**

**City Council Regular Meeting**  
**May 22, 2025 — 6:30 PM**

### **Minutes of Meeting**

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**Call to Order** — The City of Tybee Island City Council held a regular city council meeting on Thursday, May 22, 2025, at 78 Van Horne Avenue, Tybee Island, GA 31328. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brian West at approximately 6:30 PM. Mayor Pro Tem Monty Parks, Councilmember Bill Garbett, Councilmember Michael "Spec" Hosti, Councilmember Tony Ploughe, Councilmember Nick Sears, and Councilmember Kathryn Williams were also present.

**Administrative Staff Attendance** — City Manager Bret Bell, Assistant City Manager Michelle Owens, City Clerk Fabian Mann, City Attorney Edward Hughes, and City Attorney Tracy O'Connell were present.

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**Invocation** — The invocation was led by **Mayor Pro Tem Parks**.

**Pledge of Allegiance** — The pledge of allegiance was led by **Mayor West**.

### **Announcements**

- Tybee City Hall closed on May 26, 2025, in observance of Memorial Day
- June Lunch and Learn, June 11, 2025, 11:30 AM, All Saints Episcopal

### **Recognitions**

- Zach Pitts was recognized as the employee of the first quarter of 2025 by Human Resources Director Jaime Spear.
- Daryl McCorkle was recognized as Tybee Island's new Water and Sewer Division Director by City Manager Bret Bell.
- A proclamation was issued by Mayor West designating May 23, 2025, as "National Poppy Day."

### **Consideration of Items for Consent Agenda**

- City Council Regular Meeting Minutes: May 8, 2025
  - Contract with First Due to Provide Electronic Records Management Software to Enhance the Capabilities with the Tybee Island Fire Department
  - Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Amendment #3, Reconciliation of Departmental Deficits and Surplus
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## **City Manager Discussion**

- Action Item List Update

City Manager Bret Bell provided high-level updates on action items provided by the Mayor and Council. The topics included Memorial Park master planning, Solomon Avenue road planning, LiveOak Fiber installation, historic district project, new fire station planning, and beach nourishment. City Clerk Fabian Mann provided an update on the contract database project.

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## **Public Comments**

No comments were received.

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## **Public Hearings**

- City of Tybee Island Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2026

Finance Director Jen Amerell presented a brief slideshow presentation detailing the highlights of the Fiscal Year 2026 budget. The presentation also included proposed capital projects for the upcoming fiscal year.

No public comments were received.

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## **Consideration of Approval of Consent Agenda**

**Councilmember Hosti** made a motion to approve the consent agenda. **Councilmember Parks** seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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## **Consideration of Ordinances**

- First Reading of Ordinance 2025-02, Annual Operating Budget of the City of Tybee Island, Georgia for Fiscal Year 2026

**Councilmember Parks** made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2025-02. **Councilmember Hosti** seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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## **Council Considerations**

- Councilmember Sears: Approval of Resolution 2025-09, Providing Schedules and Procedures for Setting Council Meeting Agendas

**Councilmember Sears** made a motion to table Resolution 2025-09 until the June 12<sup>th</sup> city council meeting. **Councilman Ploughe** seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**Executive Session**

**Councilmember Hosti** made a motion to move from the regular meeting into an executive session referencing litigation and real estate. **Councilmember Ploughe** seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**Councilmember Ploughe** made a motion to return to the regular meeting from an executive session. **Councilmember Parks** seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Consideration to take any action needed arising from executive session – **No action was taken.**

**Adjournment**

**Councilmember Hosti** made a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Councilmember Parks** seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**City of Tybee Island**

**Brian West, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Fabian Mann, Jr., City Clerk**

