

**TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE**  
**Greenville Senior-Youth Center**  
**152 SW ONSLOW STREET, GREENVILLE, FL 32331**

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 6:30 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Kornegay called the meeting to order at 6:37 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

**Present:**

Mayor Ryan Kornegay  
Vice Mayor Carl Livingston  
Councilmember Barbara Dansey  
Councilmember Kathleen Hamilton

**Absent:**

Councilmember Chiquila Pleas

**Also Present:**

Victoria Kingston, Town Manager  
John Reid, Town Attorney (Zoom)  
Kim Reams, Town Clerk  
Leroy Green, DSR

3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Kornegay led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mayor Kornegay requested any additions to the agenda. He added a discussion item regarding a line dancing event in the park as item 6b.

ACTION: Councilmember Hamilton moved to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilmember Dansey.

<b>Councilmember</b>	<b>Yay</b>	<b>Nay</b>
Mayor Kornegay	X	
Vice Mayor Livingston	X	
Councilmember Dansey	X	
Councilmember Hamilton	X	
Councilmember Pleas	X	

5. PUBLIC COMMENT: No Public comment was received.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

a. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: *Informal Review of USDA grant adverse decision* – Town Attorney John Reid, Leroy Green, DSR**

- Attorney Reid joined the meeting virtually, and Leroy Green from DSR presented a comprehensive slide presentation outlining the town's preparation for an informal review meeting with USDA regarding their adverse decision on grant reimbursement.
- Green explained that the presentation would be used in tomorrow's meeting with USDA to address the denial of approximately \$150,000 in reimbursement for refrigeration equipment already purchased for the grocery store project. He clarified that this informal review represents a "second bite at the apple" before potentially moving to mediation or formal appeals.
- The presentation covered several key areas:
  - **Project Timeline and Construction Phases:** Green outlined an estimated 8-12 month construction timeline broken into phases, including general conditions and mobilization (1-9 months), demolition, and alterations to widen doors for equipment access, electrical and plumbing infrastructure, finishing work, and equipment installation. Mayor Kornegay asked about door alterations, and Green confirmed these involve widening existing doors to accommodate forklifts and pallet jacks.
  - **Current Project Status:** Green presented photos and blueprints of the current store condition, noting that refrigeration equipment has been secured at the public works facility rather than stored on-site. Council member Hamilton inquired about dropping ceiling tiles, which Green explained was recommended by contractors to reduce energy consumption by lowering the effective ceiling height.
  - **Completed Activities:** Since June, the team has met with general contractors, obtained independent cost estimates, conducted equipment inventory, submitted additional funding applications, engaged the community through weekly meetings and farmers markets, posted job opportunities, and applied for EBT acceptance. Green noted that WIC program participation requires being in business for one year before application.
  - **Community Impact:** The presentation highlighted the monthly farmers market as building community rapport and demonstrating demand for fresh produce access. Green emphasized how this creates a foundation for the eventual grocery store operations.

- **Future Enhancements:** Additional features planned include a mini clinic, pharmacy services, energy efficiency measures, rotating farmer booths, AI-powered nutrition kiosks, and mobile food delivery services. Council member Dansey specifically asked about grocery delivery for elderly residents, which Green confirmed would be part of the mobile food service proposal.
- **Banking Services:** Green mentioned ongoing discussions with Penn Credit Union about establishing a satellite location in the store, though he noted this requires follow-up.
- Mayor Kornegay asked whether the presentation would address the additional state funding request recently submitted. Green confirmed they would mention the Florida Conservation grant application without including specific details in the slide deck.
- Attorney Reid clarified the legal context, explaining that the informal review could potentially reverse the adverse decision entirely. If unsuccessful, the town has preserved its rights to mediation and formal appeals. The core issue involves reimbursement for refrigeration equipment already purchased, with USDA wanting evidence of progress toward opening the grocery store.
- Council members sought clarification on whether USDA required the store to be operational before reimbursement. Green indicated the focus appears to be on demonstrating meaningful progress rather than full operation, including activities like stocking the store and hiring employees.
- The presentation concluded with contact information and partnership acknowledgments. Council members expressed support for the approach and wished the team success in tomorrow's USDA meeting. No formal action was required as this was presented for informational purposes.

**b. DISCUSSION: *Related to Line Dancing Event in Haffye Hayes Park* – Mayor Ryan Kornegay**

- Mayor Kornegay introduced a request from Latanya McQuay, who has family connections to Greenville but resides in Madison. McQuay contacted the mayor about organizing a health and wellness event featuring cardio dancing, similar to programs in other cities where streets are temporarily closed for community exercise activities.
- The proposed event would take place on Sunday, April 19th, from either 4:00-7:00 PM or 5:00-8:00 PM (exact times to be confirmed), requiring temporary closure of the street in front of the park. McQuay specifically requested this location for visibility, hoping passing motorists would stop and participate. The program aims to engage families and seniors in physical activity through dance instruction.

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- Council member Hamilton asked about coordination with emergency management for the street closure. Mayor Kornegay confirmed they would need to contact the sheriff's office for proper protocols. He noted that while the main street might be easier logistically, McQuay preferred the park location for maximum community visibility and engagement.
- Council members expressed enthusiasm for the initiative, with Mayor Kornegay joking about needing exercise himself. The council agreed to have Dr. Kingston coordinate with appropriate authorities to facilitate the event, requiring no formal motion as this was an informational discussion.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Council member Dansey moved to adjourn. Council member Hamilton seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Minutes approved and adopted by the Town Council on 04/13/2026.