



CITY of POOLER
— GEORGIA —

FLOOD INSURANCE FORUM – MINUTES

June 16, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. | Pooler City Hall, 100 US Highway 80, Pooler, GA 31322

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Karen Williams, Mayor
Wesley Bashlor, Councilmember
Michael Carpenter, Councilmember
Aaron Henry, Mayor Pro Tem
Tom Hutcherson, Councilmember
Shannon Valim, Councilmember
Craig Call, City Attorney
Heath Lloyd, City Manager
Chris Lightle, Chief Finance Officer
Shannon Kirby, Deputy City Clerk
Nicole Johnson, Director of Planning & Development
Bryce Rawson, Georgia State Insurance Commission
Jessica Neeley, Beach Insurance Group

Absent: John Wilcher, Councilmember

II. WELCOME

Mayor Karen Williams welcomed those present.

III. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Nicole Johnson, Director of Planning & Development, discussed why flood insurance is needed. She also discussed the importance of flood insurance and that you do not have to be in a flood zone to be at risk of flooding.
- B. Bryce Rawson, Director of Legislative Affairs, Georgia State Insurance Commission, discussed the different insurance policies, what is covered and may not be covered with different types of policies. He also discussed the damage that can occur from flooding.
- C. Jessica Neeley, Beach Insurance Group, discussed the importance of flood insurance. She also stated how important our ISO rating is for the residents of Pooler.

IV. Q&A

Pete Chaison stated his concern about the possibility of FEMA being abolished.

Shirlinia Daniel asked about flood zone changes. Nicole Johnson stated that there is a current flood map revision going through the process for Chatham County, but only a few properties in Pooler are affected by the change.

V. CLOSING REMARKS

The forum adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

The foregoing minutes are true and correct and are approved on this _____ day of _____, _____.

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Karen L. Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shannon Kirby, Deputy City Clerk