

**MINUTES OF EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY OF KENNESAW
City Hall Training Room
(2529 J.O. Stephenson Avenue, Kennesaw, GA 30144)
September 4, 2025
3:30 PM**

- 1. Call to Order / Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of the Meeting Minutes**

A. Approval of the meeting minutes from August 7, 2025.

Elizabeth Weaver moved to approve the meeting minutes from August 7, 2025. Ricky Stewart seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was unanimously approved. Motion passed.

- 3. Announcements/ Public Comment**
- 4. Old Business**
- 5. New Business**

A. **September 10 – Sip & Social**

A monthly community networking event, held on the second Wednesday of each month.

Miranda Taylor presented information on the Sip & Social event, hosted by 1885 Grill. The application covers the remainder of 2025, with a new application required in December 2025 for the 2026 series. Attendance is anticipated at 50–60 participants, with requested use of parking spaces closest to 1885 Grill. Marty Hughes noted that no fee will be charged for the closure and reiterated the need for reapplication in December.

Scott Banks moved to approve the Sip & Social. Bill McNair seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was unanimously approved. Motion passed.

B. **September 18 - Historic Walking Tour**

Kennesaw 101 Walking Tour of Downtown Kennesaw

Anna Trapp presented information on the Kennesaw 101 Walking Tour, an exclusive event for Kennesaw 101 students. The tour is expected to last one to one and a half hours, with approximately 16 participants. No additional City resources are required.

Marty Hughes stated that since it is a City of Kennesaw event, there is no vote needed.

C. October 4 - Walk A Mile 2025

A one-mile walk to raise awareness about domestic violence.

David Buchanan presented the Walk A Mile 2025 event, a one-mile walk raising awareness for domestic violence. The event will be held at Swift-Cantrell Park, with walking paths reserved through Parks & Recreation. No other reservations are required.

Chair Marty Hughes noted that, since this is a City of Kennesaw sponsored event, no vote was required.

D. October 13 - Faith & Blue

A collaborative community gathering bringing together law enforcement, faith-based organizations, and residents to build relationships and strengthen connections.

David Buchanan presented the *Faith & Blue* event, a collaborative gathering of law enforcement, faith-based organizations, and residents. The event will be held outside City limits; the only City requirement is Kennesaw Police Officers and vehicles for display.

Chair Marty Hughes noted that no vote was required.

E. December 13, 2025 – Wreaths Across America Program

A one-hour program followed by wreath placement.

Lea Alvarez presented information on the Wreaths Across America program, organized by the Daughters of the American Revolution and co-sponsored by the Cemetery Preservation Commission. The program will include a one-hour ceremony followed by wreath placement on Veterans' graves. Wreaths will be removed by January 12, 2026. The City is asked to provide a podium, tent, chairs (via Parks & Recreation), and assistance with trash removal.

David Buchanan moved to approve the Wreaths Across America. Miranda Taylor seconded the motion. Vote taken: motion unanimously approved. Motion passed.

6. Adjourn

Before adjournment, Miranda Taylor asked about submitting a master calendar. Elizabeth Weaver requested that all members bring a year-long calendar to the next meeting. Chair Hughes confirmed consensus with no objections.

Rick Shumpert moved to adjourn at 3:41 p.m. Ricky Stewart seconded the motion. Vote taken: motion unanimously approved. Motion passed.

Rachel Mikell