# STILL STATES

# **TOWN OF ATLANTA**

Town Council Meeting 105 E. Main Street December 30, 2024 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Murry Dixon

Absent:

Fred Farley Tim Johnson Chris Calhoun Pam VanHook

Others Present:

Andy Emmert, Utilities and Street Superintendent, Building Commissioner

Jennifer Farley, Clerk-Treasurer

Craig Siebe, Attorney

Minutes: Regular Meeting - December 9, 2024 - Approved

# **REPORTS**

Water, Wastewater, & Streets:

**Andy Emmert** 

Attached

Mr. Johnson inquired about the building progress at the water plant. Mr. Emmert informed him the process should be completed by the end of January.

**Building Commissioner:** 

**Andy Emmert** 

Attached

Clerk Treasurer: Jennifer Farley

Mrs. Farley gave the council a copy of the 1782 Notice and informed them the 2025 Budget was approved by the D.L.G.F.

Code Enforcement: Luke Brown

Absent/Attached

**Attorney: Craig Siebe** 

Nuisance Property: Tickets have been filed with the County Clerk by Mr. Brown for a nuisance property located at 110 W. Adams St. The resident is non-compliant. After a short discussion concerning the pros and cons of a lawsuit, compliance, court order, code violation, zoning, town easement, utilities and liens on the property, it was decided to give the resident official notice with a time frame for cleanup. Mr. Siebe will work on this.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Ordinance Violation Letters: Mr. Siebe will investigate the matter.

Law Enforcement Interlocal Agreement: After a final review, Mr. Siebe informed the Council that the interlocal agreement with the Town of Arcadia in the amount of \$55,000 annually is ready for approval. Mr. Dixon gave a short briefing on the matter. Arcadia Town Marshall Alex Petty was in attendance and went over what to expect from their services. After a few questions from the Council, Mr. Farley made a motion to proceed with the Interlocal Agreement. Mr. Johnson, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Van Hook

ABSTAIN: Mr. Calhoun

Salary Ordinance S-2025: Mr. Dixon had the first reading of the 2025 Salary Ordinance, which will be available for public review. Mr. Farley made a motion to suspend the rules. Mrs. VanHook, Seconded. AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun, Mrs. Van Hook

After the second reading Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Calhoun, Seconded. AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun, Mrs. Van Hook

**Policy Handbook:** Mrs. Farley gave the Council a final rundown of the Policy Handbook from New Focus HR. Mr. Johnson made a motion to proceed with the Policy Handbook in the amount of \$5,000. Mr. Farley, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun, Mrs. Van Hook

Ball Diamonds: Mr. Siebe is working on final additions to the contract.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Technology Solutions Midwest: Mr. Wells of Technology Solutions Midwest attended the meeting to give the council a review of the services completed for 2024. He informed the Council that for 2025 the Deputy Clerk's computer will not be eligible for Windows 10. He also stated that he would like to be informed about floor plans and timelines for the work at the library so he can prepare. He is planning to move the town forward with meeting recordings per the new law coming into effect July 1, 2025. Lastly Mr. Wells gave the Council his 2025 Service Agreement for their review in the amount of \$3,032.00. After a few questions, Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the agreement. Mr. Calhoun, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun, Mrs. Van Hook

Fire/EMS Agreement: After reviewing the 2025 Fire and EMS Contract with Jackson Township in the amount of \$37,806 annually, Mr. Farley made a motion to approve the agreement. Mr. Johnson, Seconded. AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun, Mrs. Van Hook

Encumbrance: Mrs. Farley presented Resolution R-12-2024-02 A Resolution Encumbering Funds in the amount of \$1,250 from the General Fund to be paid in 2025 for the Policy Handbook. Mrs. Van Hook made a motion to approve the encumbrance. Mr. Johnson, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun, Mrs. Van Hook

Hamilton County EMA: Mr. Johnson willingly agreed to continue as the representative of the Town for Hamilton County Emergency Management. The Council agreed.

Utility Assistance: 655 S. Indiana - \$282.23 - Approved

120 W. Adams -\$179.41 - Approved

With no further business to discuss, the claims were signed and the meeting adjourned.

Murry Dixon, Council President

ATTEST:

Jennifer Farley, IMC, CMC Clerk-Treasurer

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