



TOWN OF ATLANTA

Town Council Meeting
105 E. Main Street
December 9, 2024
6:00 p.m.

Present: Murry Dixon
Fred Farley
Chris Calhoun
Pam VanHook

Absent: Tim Johnson

Others Present: Andy Emmert, Utilities and Street Superintendent, Building Commissioner
Jennifer Farley, Clerk-Treasurer
Alex Nickloy, Attorney

Minutes: November 25, 2024 – Regular Meeting – Approved with correction

REPORTS

Water, Wastewater, & Streets: Andy Emmert

Attached

Mr. Emmert informed the Council that Fleis & Vandenbrink has completed our Asset Management Plan, and it has been submitted to the state.

Building Commissioner: Andy Emmert

Attached

Mr. Emmert has two more residents in violation of zoning requirements. He would like the attorney to send them letters regarding the violations. Mr. Nickloy will work on this.

Clerk Treasurer: Jennifer Farley

Mrs. Farley thanked everyone for their efforts in making the Christmas Tree Lighting a success, specifically Mr. Dixon for decorating the tree.

She also informed the Council that D.L.G.F. is in the process of reviewing budgets and the Town should be receiving their 1782 Notice soon.

Code Enforcement: Luke Brown

Absent

Attorney: Alex Nickloy

Ordinance Violations: Mr. Nickloy inquired whether we were filing tickets the right way. The last tickets that were filed at the Court House were filed with an Ordinance Violation number. In filing this way, there is no forced compliance. They should be filed in compliance with the state statute. Mr. Nickloy would like to refile the tickets to rectify the compliance violations. Mr. Dixon agreed that compliance is the key.

Mrs. Farley received a check in the amount of \$140.00 from the court for a ticket submitted by Mr. Brown. Mr. Dixon stated that compliance on this issue needs to be checked despite receiving the revenue.

Police Contract: Mr. Nickloy stated the contract from Arcadia needs to be rewritten to include definite services to the Town rather than having a nonspecific verbiage that implies no underlying obligation to the Town. The attorneys are not comfortable with the phrasing in two paragraphs. Mr. Dixon requested that Mr. Nickloy make the needed changes to the contract and send it back to Arcadia to see if they are comfortable with the new version.

Annexation: Mr. Nickloy inquired about annexation. Since some of the residents that will be affected do not wish to voluntarily annex, the Council has not yet decided to proceed with the process of involuntary annexation. Mr. Nickloy will prepare the necessary procedures if the Council wishes to do so.

OLD BUSINESS

Library: Mr. Emmert shared that the library plans are being finalized, and the State plan is being submitted. The Council will receive a full set of plans.

Salary Ordinance: The Salary Ordinance was given to the Council for review to be passed at the December 30th meeting.

Policy Handbook: New Focus H.R. has been in contact with the attorneys and a final contract is available for the Council's review. Mr. Dixon requested this be tabled for the next meeting.

Park Board: Mr. Dixon has been doing research on Park Board requirements. A five-year plan and four members are required. Mr. Dixon would like to see this Park Board implemented in January for the possibility of being grant eligible by April 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

Wedding Food Truck: Amanda Goings approached the Council with a request to have a food truck in the alley by the Hudson from 3pm-8pm on Saturday, January 4th for her daughter's wedding. The Council informed her that she will need to pay a \$10.00 vendor permit fee and submit a certificate of insurance from the vendor. Mr. Farley made a motion to allow them to utilize the alley for this event. Mr. Calhoun, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Calhoun, Mrs. VanHook

Mobile Home Park Expansion: Mr. Adam Hoffer is working with Lotus Communities to expand the Mobile Home Park, located at 600 S. Indiana St. He approached the Council to share their improvement plans which included a change to the entrance of the park off Jackson St. He inquired whether the Council would be willing to accept and approve this project and a change to the right of way/entrance to the park. Mr. Emmert shared that these improvements are allowed by the zoning and building requirements. Mr. Dixon is in favor of the work that they will be doing. Mrs. Farley will provide Mr. Hoffer with copies of the necessary ordinances.


Leak Adjustment - 130 N. Walnut - Approved - \$29.34

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



Murry Dixon, Council President

ATTEST:



Jennifer Farley, IAMC, CMC
Clerk-Treasurer

