



TOWN OF ATLANTA

Town Council Meeting
105 E. Main Street
May 27, 2025
6:00 p.m.

Present: Murry Dixon
Fred Farley
Tim Johnson
Chris Calhoun
Pam Van Hook

Absent:

Others Present: Jennifer Farley, Clerk-Treasurer
Alex Nickloy, Attorney
Luke Brown, Code Enforcement Officer

Minutes: May 12, 2025 – RDC Meeting – Approved
May 12, 2025 – Public Hearing – Approved
May 12, 2025 – Regular Meeting – Approved

Live Streaming: Mr. Dixon opened the meeting by informing the public, starting July 1st the Town will be required to livestream their public meetings. Mr. Dixon referenced Roberts' Rules of Order regarding the proper conducting of meetings, for public questions or comment the Council is requesting a raise of hand to indicate the desire to speak; once called upon, attendees that will be speaking must introduce themselves for the public record.

REPORTS

Water, Wastewater, & Streets: Andy Emmert

Absent

Building Commissioner: Andy Emmert

Absent

Clerk Treasurer: Jennifer Farley

Community Lunch: Mrs. Farley reminded everyone about the Community Lunch on Sunday, June 22nd at Dolles Park. More details will be posted soon.

Code Enforcement: Luke Brown

Attached

Attorney: Craig Siebe

No new matters

OLD BUSINESS

Utility District: Mr. Dixon and Mr. Emmert have met with two different law firms regarding forming a utility district. Both estimates were between 25,000 to 100,000. The lowest estimate was with Carson LLP in the amount of \$5,000 to 10,000. Mr. Dixon stated that a good place to begin this process would be with the

zoning jurisdiction. He will have an engagement letter for the Council and attorney's review for the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Session: Mr. Dixon apologized for the error regarding the Executive Session that was scheduled prior to the Council Meeting. Mr. Dixon explained that due to the Memorial Day holiday, the notice for the session was not published and the meeting has been rescheduled to comply with the open-door law for Saturday, May 31st at 9:00 a.m. with a Special Meeting to follow.

Public Comment:

Resident Nick Lynch addressed the Council with his opinions regarding the current circumstances involving Mr. Emmert. Mr. Lynch brought up various concerns including the published deposition, the bad publicity and potential stain on the Town. Mr. Lynch spoke up again later to make a comment regarding the family of the deceased that lives in Town. He also asked about park mulch and the library light post.

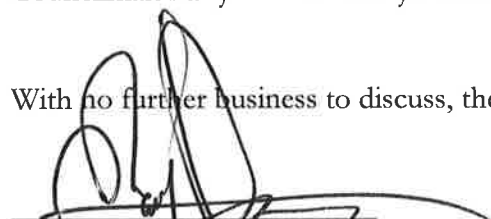
Resident Neila Teal voiced to the Council saying she believes Mr. Emmert has always fulfilled his duties and should be innocent until proven guilty. She stated that she does not think that any dislike of Mr. Emmert should determine their decision.

Resident Angie Van Hook posed some questions to the Council regarding Mr. Emmert's position, Mr. Brown's training, and the water operations.

Resident Bill Malott expressed his concerns about paid leave for Mr. Emmert. Regardless of the accusations, Mr. Malott stated that he cannot see how the Town can afford the cost of another paid leave. Inquiries about the Executive Session ending time were made by Mr. Malott as well.

Councilman Farley thanked everyone for their questions, comments, and cordial attitudes during this time.

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