



TOWN OF ATLANTA

Town Council Meeting

105 E. Main Street

June 9, 2025

6:00 p.m.

Present: Murry Dixon
Fred Farley
Tim Johnson
Chris Calhoun

Absent: Pam Van Hook

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

Minutes: May 27, 2025 – Regular Meeting – Approved
May 31, 2025 – Executive Session – Approved
May 31, 2025 – Special Meeting - Approved

REPORTS

Water, Wastewater, & Streets: Luke Brown
Attached

Clerk Treasurer: Jennifer Farley

Mrs. Farley and Mr. Brown discussed the water activities for the Community Lunch on June 22nd. Mr. Dixon informed them the fire department has a special attachment for the fire hose to use for the children to play. Mrs. Farley will contact Jackson Township.

Mrs. Farley informed the council she will be discussing the Policy Handbook with New Focus HR on the 11th. She invited the Council to attend. Mr. Farley is the only one who will be able to attend. She also reminded the Council of the next Planning Commission Meeting, which will be on June 23rd at 5:30 p.m.

Code Enforcement: Luke Brown
Attached

Attorney: Alex Nickloy

Utility District: Mr. Nickloy discussed the engagement letter from Carson LLP concerning a potential Utility District. He was concerned there was a “not to exceed” clause in the agreement. After a lengthy discussion and several questions and opinions from the council and residents, this topic will continue to be reviewed. Mr. Nickloy will continue to work with Carson LLP to come up with a revised agreement.

Law Enforcement: Louis Morris
No report – Mr. Morris answered a few questions from the Council.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Plant Building: Mr. Dixon would like to omit the old plan to fully finish the storage building and get a new quote to run electric, install gutters, and purchase shelving, as an alternative this plan would suffice for the Town's extra storage needs. The council believes that a concrete apron will need to be added as well. Mr. Brown will be responsible for getting all quotes for this work. Mr. Calhoun made a motion to rescind the original agreement of \$5000 for the work. Mr. Johnson, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun

Library: Mr. Dixon is working on the library project, as far as architect and lift manufacture. Mr. Johnson inquired about the timeline; Mr. Dixon gave a brief explanation about the bathroom situation and final plans.

Town Garage Bay: Mr. Dixon said he would like to get pricing to put a floor drain in the new town bay as well as installing the electricity.

Termination: Mr. Dixon relayed to the council that Mr. Emmert has requested an extension on his health insurance. He has also requested to receive his remaining severance pay as weekly checks instead of a lump sum. Mr. Nickloy stated by law it should be paid out on the next check after termination, but exceptions can be made if Council agrees. Mrs. Farley stated that she had already paid out via check because it was her understanding she was required to do so. Mr. Nickloy backed this up, but if the town is willing to deviate from what the law requires, they can ask for a written request from Mr. Emmert and vote to have it paid weekly. Mr. Emmert has also requested a termination letter. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Johnson made a motion pending a request from Mr. Emmert to fulfill his requests with his pay but end his insurance after 30 days. Mr. Calhoun, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun

NEW BUSINESS

2013 Chevrolet Silverado: Mr. Dixon explained the 2013 Utility Truck has some mechanical issues with the front end. Mr. Dixon has a recourse for truck parts; we can purchase the parts for significantly cheaper and have the truck repaired locally. Mr. Johnson wants to find someone to agree to do the work before the parts are ordered. Mr. Brown will call some mechanics to see if they are willing to do the work.

F550 Diesel Ford Dump Truck: Mr. Dixon brought up the old rusty F550 truck, it is taking up space and would like to sell it. Mr. Dixon inquired about the process of making a sale. Mr. Nickloy will investigate this.

Licensed Water and Sewer Operator: The Council decided to hire Al Schultz who is currently the operator for the Town of Arcadia, to oversee and sign off on the daily water operations. With a start date of June 6th, Mr. Schultz will be paid \$384.00 per utility (2) each week. Mr. Schultz will be in town 5 days a week and has offered to help Mr. Brown obtain his Wastewater certification. After a moderate discussion, Mr. Johnson made a motion to hire Mr. Schultz. Mr. Farley, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun

Building Commissioner: Mr. Dixon shared that Rick Phifer has offered to step in as Building Commissioner. After a short discussion, Mr. Farley made the motion to hire Mr. Phifer. Mr. Johnson, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Calhoun

Mrs. Farley inquired about salary for Mr. Phifer. Mr. Dixon would like her to talk to Mr. Phifer and see what works best for him.

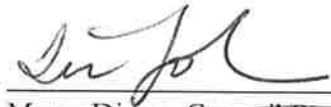
Executive Session: The Council has set an Executive Session for June 16th at 9:00 a.m.

Town Phones: Mr. Calhoun inquired about obtaining town phones for anyone who would be virtually managing operations. This would be to keep the Town systems off all personal devices, they will continue to investigate this as an option for the Town. Mr. Johnson inquired about the status of Mr. Emmert's access to the digital systems and locks. Mr. Dixon ensured that there were no remaining keys in Mr. Emmert's possession and the digital system has been delated off his phone.

Public Comment

Resident Neila Teal wanted to let everyone know that the Preservation of Northern Hamilton County will be having more meetings and that everyone should attend.

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



Murry Dixon, Council President

Tim Johnson, Council Member

ATTEST:



Jennifer Farley, LAMC, CMC
Clerk-Treasurer

