TOWN OF ATLANTA

Town Council Meeting 105 E. Main Street July 28, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Murry Dixon

Absent:

Fred Farley Tim Johnson Chris Calhoun Pam Van Hook

Others Present:

Jennifer Farley, Clerk-Treasurer

Rick Phifer, Building Commissioner

Minutes:

July 14, 2025 - Regular Meeting - Approved

REPORTS

Water, Wastewater, & Streets: Al Schultz

Absent

Building Commissioner: Rick Phifer

Verbal report

Mr. Phifer addressed the building that has started at the Waltz Property outside of Town. Mr. Phifer has addressed this issue, and he will be issuing a permit. Resident Alan Farley inquired with Mr. Phifer regarding this and addressed his concerns, Mr. Phifer and Mr. Dixon were able to answer the questions.

Clerk Treasurer: Jennifer Farley

Mrs. Farley informed the Council that CenterPoint has repaired the road cut in the alley. She also went to Home Depot to ask about the countertop and cabinets that were not installed correctly. Home Depot is looking into this and plans to do a site visit.

Code Enforcement: Luke Brown

Absent

Attorney: Alex Nickloy

Absent

OLD BUSINESS

Park Mulch: Mrs. Farley stated that Mr. Brown found a deal on mulch for \$2,274.00. This will be delivered next week.

Part Time Labor Position: Mr. Farley and Mr. Johnson conducted interviews for the three eligible andidates on Thursday. Mr. Farley made a motion to hire Mr. Matthew Stringer of Arcadia for the position. Mr. Johnson, Seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Stringer was in attendance and thanked the council. A motion was needed to set the pay rate; Mr. Johnson motioned for \$20.00 an hour, as previously discussed. Mr. Farley, Seconded.

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

Ball Diamond: Mrs. Farley gave the council a list of inquiries gathered thus far. Resident Alan Farley requested the encroachment on his property line be corrected before the sale, Mr. Dixon stated that this will be done.

Stop Sign: Mr. Bozell (240 S. Indiana) has requested a stop sign on Indiana St at the Kauffman St intersection, to make a 4-way. After a short discussion, on whether a tree would need to be removed, Mr. Johnson will speak with the resident concerning the issue.

Library: Mr. Dixon would like to start with the masonry work and the doorway so the lift can be installed. Mr. Dixon asked for recommendations. Mrs. Farley will call Indiana Landmarks for suggestions as well.

Sidewalks: Mr. Johnson identified segments of sidewalks that are the most damaged and will affect festival on Main St. He also reported the sidewalk on the south end of Walnut St and the 200 block of Broadway St to be in the most disrepair. Mr. Dixon is still waiting for official quotes. Mr. Johnson made a motion to fix the Main St sidewalk issues with the lowest quote that Mr. Dixon receives. Mr. Farley, Seconded.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Reorganization: Mr. Farley met with Trustee Cook regarding community reorganization of Jackson Township. Mr. Farley shared that Cicero is no longer interested in this; Mrs. Cook wanted Mr. Farley to ask the council where they stood on this issue again. As it stands, the Town of Atlanta is not interested in participating in reorganization. This prompted a short discussion among council and audience.

Public Comment: Resident Misty Warren inquired about an update on the drainage situation on South Broadway, Mr. Dixon addressed her questions.

Resident Kathy Howard approached the council with multiple questions regarding Mr. Emmert on Town property, Mr. Brown's roles, a desire to see Mr. Brown promoted and compensated for his extra efforts during this transition, and the IDEM violation; this prompted a discussion that did not satisfy Ms. Howard, and she left.

Next Council Meeting: Mrs. Farley inquired about rescheduling the August 11th meeting, since she will be attending conference. The Council decided to cancel it and wait for the next scheduled meeting on the 25th.

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