

Atlanta City Council
Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2024

OPEN: The regular meeting of the Atlanta City Council was held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at the Atlanta City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Adam McVey at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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| ROLL CALL: | Halley- Absent | Eimer- P |
| | Finchum- P | Southerland- P |
| | Frantz- P | Horn- P |

Motion by Finchum second by Frantz to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2024 meeting as presented.

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| ROLL CALL: | Halley- Absent | Eimer- yes |
| | Finchum- yes | Southerland- yes |
| | Frantz- yes | Horn- yes |

Motion Carries

Motion by Frantz second by Horn to pay all bills or as far as funds allows.

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| ROLL CALL: | Halley- Absent | Eimer- yes |
| | Finchum- yes | Southerland- yes |
| | Frantz- yes | Horn- yes |

Motion Carries.

Let the record show Alderman Halley entered the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

No Public Comments

Police Chief Eimer was present at the meeting. He reported that a stolen vehicle had rammed into an Officer's vehicle, signs in town had been spray painted, car windows had been broken. Those responsible parties have been identified.

The township had previously cancelled the agreement with the City officers to patrol outside the City several years ago. Sherrif will work on an agreement that would allow township patrol. Alderman Frantz inquired how the schedule of officers on duty each day worked. Chief Eimer commented that we do not have full time officers on duty at all times. He feels daytime hours during school hours should be a priority to consider.

Discussion on Rescue Squad EMT classes. Josh has two members that are going to take training classes. The cost is \$974.00 each. Some discussion took place as far as a requirement that the

person would need to fulfill for the City paying for those classes. The Attorney will draft a contract that could possibly be used.

Motion by Southerland second by Frantz to pay for the required classes for EMT training for two members in the amount of \$974.00 for each member.

ROLL CALL: Halley- yes Eimer- yes
Finchum- yes Southerland- yes
Frantz- yes Horn- yes
Motion Carries.

The Council reviewed the current tax levy for 2024-2025. 3% increase was discussed. The Attorney will complete those figures. A vote will take place at next meeting.

The City's involvement with the Logan County Economic Development Partnership was discussed.

Motion by Southerland second by Eimer to not do business or represent The Logan County Economic Development Partnership for 5 years.

ROLL CALL: Halley- yes Eimer- yes
Finchum- yes Southerland- yes
Frantz- Present Horn- Present
Motion Carries.

Discussion on the City's involvement with the Atlanta Betterment Fund.

Motion by Eimer second by Finchum to suspend all business with the Atlanta Betterment Fund relating to tourism.

ROLL CALL: Halley- yes Eimer- yes
Finchum- yes Southerland- yes
Frantz- yes Horn- yes
Motion Carries.

Discussion on the aerator and tank rehab agreement. The Mayor has talked with an engineering firm from Springfield. They will present a plan for the aerator and tank rehab, possibly getting back to us in 10 days to 2 weeks. Crafford Murphy and Tilley another engineering firm will also submit a plan.

No action taken at this time.

Roundtable

Alderman Halley and Finchum will not attend the next meeting. Mayor may also be not in attendance at that meeting.

Alderman Finchum reminded everyone of the caucus on Dec 2nd.

She also would like to ask Paul to provide a list of projects that will be worked on in the winter months.

Motion by Southerland second by Finchum to nominate Alderman Eimer as Mayor Pro-Tem in the event that Mayor McVey is not in attendance for that meeting on Dec 3rd.

ROLL CALL:

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| Halley- yes | Eimer- yes |
| Finchum- yes | Southerland- yes |
| Frantz- yes | Horn- yes |

Motion Carries.

Alderman Frantz asked if the discussion pertaining to the need of a tourism director position be revisited in the future.

Also noted the sidewalk project that had been discussed was in progress.

Alderman Southerland asked for an agenda item be placed for the next meeting concerning action that led to the Giebelhausen lawsuit.

Mayor Updates –

Mayor has been in discussion with Fire Chief Cheek and inspector from OSHA. Most problems with paperwork have been taken care and should be in compliance within the week.

Mayor talked with Steve Leesman concerning health insurance coverage for the employees. Will have discussion with Council at a later date.

Christmas committee and City employees will work together in getting Christmas decorations finished up.

Motion by Frantz second by Southerland to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

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| Halley- yes | Eimer- yes |
| Finchum- yes | Southerland- yes |
| Frantz- yes | Horn- yes |

Motion Carries.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Vicki Martin

City Clerk