

**Town of Century  
Council Meeting Minutes  
December 18, 2025, at 6:00 PM**

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**Call Meeting to Order**

President Dynette Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

**1. Roll Call**

PRESENT

President Dynette Lewis

Henry Cunningham

Shelisa Abraham

John Bass

ABSENT

Mayor Ben Boutwell

Sparkie Harrison

Town Clerk Moore joined Via Teams as did Dale Long the engineer.

**2. Open Meeting with Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilmember Cunningham lead the meeting in prayer.

**Public Forum #1**

N/A

**3. Action Items**

**A. Quadiert Lease # N24081920**

Town Administrator stated that the machines in this lease were no longer needed and that the Town is requesting the Councils permission to break the contract.

Motion made by Abraham, Seconded by Bass.

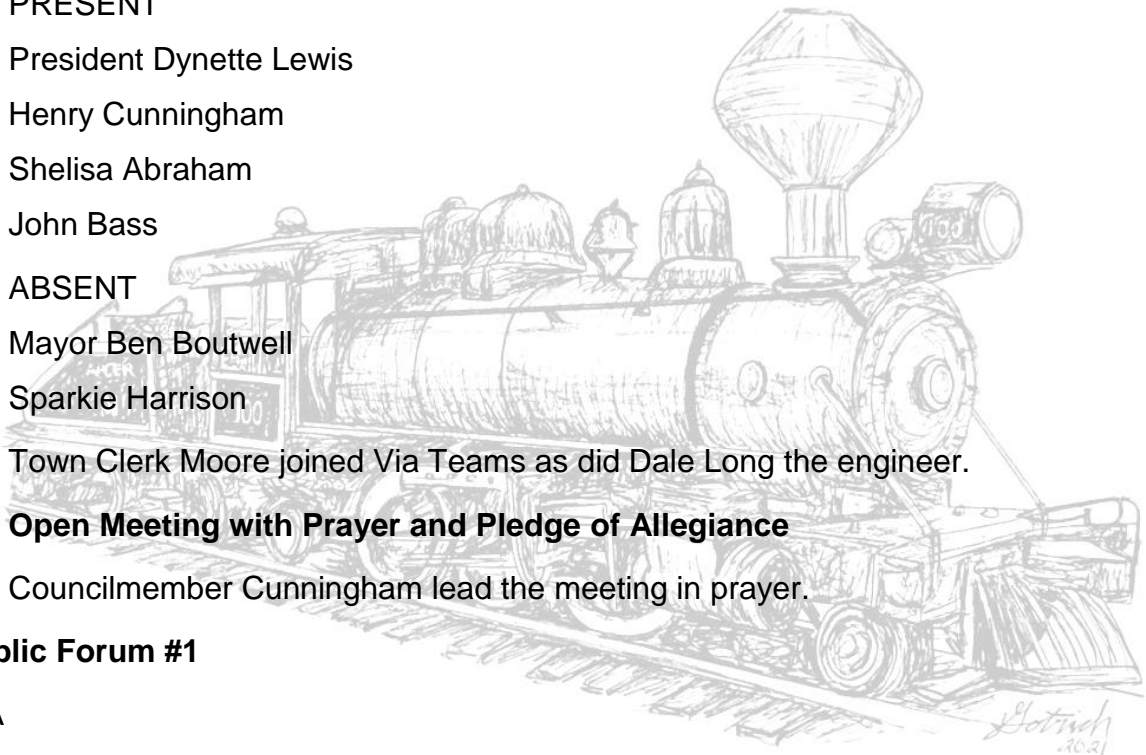
Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Abraham, Bass

**B. Loan Agreement for FDEP Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for Project DW 170340**

Councilmember Bass requests an updated spreadsheet of all the Towns projects at the next meeting in January.

Engineer Long requested the council approve the loan agreement. It was stated by Councilmember Lewis that the repayment schedule didn't look correct.

The Town Council approved the Staff Recommendation as follows:



- I. Approve the Planning and Design Loan Agreement from FDEP SRF (Project DW170340);
- II. Authorize the Mayor to take all actions necessary and appropriate to (a) consummate the loan agreement, (b) negotiate, approve, and finalize on behalf of the Town all documents and agreements in any manner relating to FDEP Project DW 170340; and (c) execute on behalf of the Town all documents related thereto; and
- III. The foregoing is subject to the repayment schedule first being corrected.

Motion made by Cunningham, Seconded by Bass.

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Abraham, Bass

Motion made by Cunningham, Seconded by Abraham to Amend to state that the repayment schedule needs to be corrected

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Abraham, Bass

Motion made by Cunningham, Seconded by Abraham.

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Abraham, Bass

- C. Request for Inclusion to receive funding from the FDEP State Revolving Fund for construction of the needed water system improvements

Dale Long the Towns Engineer stated that the councils approval was needed to receive the funding. ]

Motion made by Abraham, Seconded by Cunningham.

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Abraham, Bass

#### **4. Council Comments**

Councilmember Bass stated that the Basketball association wishes to be on the next Agenda for January.

Council President Lewis requests an update with the items with DEP. She also wanted to thank everyone for allowing her to be the Council President and that in January is when there will be the opening for the position.

Councilmember Bass spoke with the Warden at the prison and made it be known that if we do need additional inmates that there is a possibility for that.

#### **5. Staff Comments/ Report**

Town Clerk wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Town Administrator stated that the shelter is moving along in a positive direction. The architect is moving to the area to work on our shelter and other projects in Escambia County. He also stated that the Freedom Bridge project is still over budget and that everyone is searching for the additional monies.

#### **6. Public Forum #2**

N/A

**7. Adjourn**

Motion made by Abraham, Seconded by Bass. at 6:37pm

Voting Yea: President Lewis, Cunningham, Abraham, Bass

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**Attest:**

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Benjamin Boutwell, Mayor

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Carrie Moore, Town Clerk

