



*City of Mountain Breezes*  
CLEVELAND, GEORGIA

## Cleveland City Council

### Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 3, 2025 - 6:30 P.M.  
Oak Springs Community Center/Police Department  
342 Campbell Street, Cleveland, GA

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#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor Josh Turner, Council Members Nan Bowen, Annie Sutton (Mayor Pro Tem), Jeremy McClure, and C.J. McDonald

Also, present were City Manager Kevin Harris, City Attorney Keith Whitaker, and City Clerk Lisa Ritchie

2. Invocation – Associate Pastor Dennis Turner, Cleveland First Baptist Church, and White County Ministerial Alliance
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approve Agenda

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member McDonald, and voted, unanimously, to approve the agenda.

#### **PRESENTATION**

#### 5. Veteran's Day Proclamation

Mayor Turner read the Proclamation.

Motion by Council Member Sutton, seconded by Council Member McClure, and voted, unanimously, to approve the Veteran's Day Proclamation.

The Mayor and Council Members presented the Proclamation to the following Cleveland employees:

- Police Officer David Bruce, Army (Police Department)
- Deputy Chief Aaron Weiland, Army (Police Department)
- Police Officer Nathan Hill, Army (Police Department)

- Corporal Brandon Wood, Army (Police Department)
- Firefighter John Sovine, Army National Guard (Fire Department)
- Captain Stephen Sears, Army Reserves (Fire Department)
- Randall Johnson, Army (Fire Department)

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Shirley Crane addressed the Mayor and Council Members regarding ordinances.

Mayor Turner recognized Stephen Sears' children who were in attendance, Remington (age 8) and Lincoln (age 6). He allowed them to bang the gavel.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

6. Request for sanitation services and road closures for the Christmas Parade

White County Chamber of Commerce President Beth Truelove addressed the Mayor and Council Members.

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to approve the Request for sanitation services and road closures for the Christmas Parade.

7. Called Meeting/Meeting Minutes
  - October 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Council Member McDonald, seconded by Council Member Bowen, and voted, unanimously, to approve the October 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes.

8. Executive Session Minutes
  - October 20, 2025 Executive Session Minutes

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member Sutton, and voted, unanimously, to approve the October 20, 2025 Executive Session Minutes.

### **CITY ATTORNEY KEITH WHITAKER**

Mr. Whitaker did not have any items to report.

### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR KEVIN HARRIS**

Mr. Harris discussed the following topics:

- Recognition of all Veterans who work for the City of Cleveland as follows:
  - Police Officer David Bruce
  - Deputy Chief Aaron Weiland
  - Sergeant Denton Vaughan
  - Sergeant Jamie Compton
  - Police Officer Nathan Hill

- Police Officer Matt Reeves
- James Thomas, Public Works
- Firefighter John Sovine
- Firefighter Randall Johnson
- Upcoming Personnel Policy Amendments
- Progress being made on the water and utility lines south of town which was the cause of multiple water line breaks

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Ritchie provided the announcements.

### **9. Upcoming calendar items:**

- White County Water Authority Meeting - Thursday, November 13, 2025, at 7:30 a.m. at the White County Water Authority
- City of Cleveland offices will be closed on Tuesday, November 11, 2025, in observance of Veterans Day
- The next Cleveland City Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 17, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., at the Oak Springs Community Center/Police Department

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member McDonald and voted, to enter an Executive Session at 6:52 p.m.

### **10. Discussion regarding Real Estate**

Motion by Council Member Sutton, seconded by Council Member Bowen and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the Executive Session and return to the Meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Council Member McDonald opened the door to allow citizens to return to the regular meeting.

Motion by Council Member Bowen, seconded by Council Member McDonald and voted, unanimously, to accept the high bid of \$170,000 from Mr. Terry Day for the sale of the 2.11-acre tax parcel, Parcel Number 032 120, located at 0 Highway 129 North, Cleveland, Georgia, as received through the city's sealed bid process and direct Mr. Harris and Mr. Whitaker to work with Mr. Day to complete all necessary actions and execute the closing of the property at the sale price of \$170,000 no later than January 3, 2026 and to authorize the Mayor to execute the deed and all customary closing documents to complete the closing of the property.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Sutton and voted, to enter an Executive Session at 7:06 p.m.

**11. Discussion regarding Real Estate and Personnel**

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Sutton and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the Executive Session and return to the Meeting at 8:29 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Council Member McClure, seconded by Council Member Sutton and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the City Council Meeting of October 6, 2025, at 8:33 p.m.

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

_____ Josh Turner	_____ Mayor	_____ Jeremy McClure	_____ Council Member District 3
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_____ Nan Bowen	_____ Council Member District 1	_____ C.J. McDonald	_____ Council Member District 4
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ATTEST:

_____ Annie Sutton	_____ Council Member District 2 Mayor Pro Tem	_____ Lisa A. Ritchie	_____ City Clerk
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