

THE CITY OF DALTON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES
DECEMBER 2, 2024

The Mayor and Council held a meeting this evening at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Present were Mayor Annalee Sams, Councilmembers Nicky Lama, Tyree Goodlett and Steve Farrow, City Attorney Jonathan Bledsoe and City Administrator Andrew Parker. Council member Dennis Mock attended via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sams called the meeting of the Mayor and Council to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Lama led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On the motion of Councilmember Lama, second Councilmember Farrow, the Mayor and Council approved the agenda. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no Public Comments.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

There were no Department Head Reports.

MINUTES

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Mayor & Council Regular Session Minutes of November 18, 2024. On the motion of Councilmember Goodlett, second Councilmember Farrow, the minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 24-34 – GRAVELY STREET AND ERWIN STREET

The Mayor and Council held a second reading for Ordinance 24-34 To Make Findings of Fact Concerning the Public Use and Necessity of Gravely Street and Erwin Street; To Consider the Vacating and Abandonment of The Public Interest in And to Gravely Street and Erwin Street for Purposes of Public Streets and Transportation; To Declare the Closing of Gravely Street and Erwin Street for Public Use and Transportation; To Authorize Delivery of a Quitclaim Deed of Any Interest of The City of Dalton Except Utility Easements to Adjacent Property Owners; To Establish an Effective Date; And for Other Purposes.

City Administrator Andrew Parker stated the petition was to close and vacate all public rights to Gravely Street and Erwin Drive. Parker stated the roads were unopen and had never been improved with a road. Parker further stated that a request was initiated from a home at the dead end of Belton Avenue. Parker informed that unfortunately the house was constructed on the right of way of Gravely Street and the family members are trying to sell the home. Parker further stated that in an effort to clear up the title and to be able to move forward with the closing, they made a request to close a portion of Gravely St that is adjacent to their parcel.

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Parker continued stating that when notifications were sent out to the adjacent property owners informing them of the request, two (2) property owners had objections due to concerns about loss of access to their undeveloped parcels.

Parker stated that in discussion with staff and the Mayor and Council, the Staff recommendation to alleviate the concerns is to amend the original petition and propose closure limits to Gravelly Street from Belton Street to the north property line of the Isaacs parcel and all of Belton Street.

On the motion of Councilmember Farrow, second Councilmember Lama, the Mayor and Council approved closing the unopen portion of Gravelly Street from Belton Avenue to the north property line of the Isaacs parcel and to close Erwin Street from the unopen Gravelly street to Applewood Drive. The vote was unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION 24-17 – ADOPTION OF 2025 BUDGET

CFO Cindy Jackson presented the FY2025 Budget for Each Fund of The City of Dalton, Georgia, Appropriating the Amounts Shown in The Following Schedules for Selected Funds; Adopting the Items of Anticipated Revenue Sources; Affirming That Expenditures in Each Fund May Not Exceed Appropriations; And Prohibiting Expenditures from Exceeding Anticipated Funding Sources. On the motion of Council member Goodlett, second Council member Farrow, the Mayor and Council adopted the FY2025 budget. The vote was unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION 24-19 TO CONVEY CERTAIN TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF DALTON

City Administrator Andrew Parker presented a map along with Resolution 24-19 To Convey Certain Real Property to The Housing Authority of The City of Dalton. Parker stated the Housing Authority requested 0.086 acres for access to housing units. On the motion of Council member Farrow, second Council member Lama, the Resolution was adopted. The vote was unanimous in favor.

LEVEL 1-A PIPE LINING PROJECT CHANGE ORDER

Public Works Director Chad Townsend presented the Level 1-A Pipe Lining Project Change Order. Townsend stated the Change Order is to revise the pipe sizes from the original bid with an expected additional cost of up to \$50,676.00. On the motion of Council member Goodlett, second Council member Lama, the Resolution was adopted. The vote was unanimous in favor.

DECORATIVE TRAFFIC SIGNAL POLES, MAST ARMS, AND LUMINAIRES CONTRACT WITH DOT LIGHTING, LLC

Public Works Director Chad Townsend presented the Contract with DOT Lighting, LLC for the Decorative Traffic Signal Poles, Mast Arms, and Luminaires for the Pentz and Cuyler Corridor. Townsend stated that DOT Lighting, LLC was the lowest bidder in the amount of \$163,415.00. On the motion of Council member Goodlett, second Council member Lama, the Resolution was adopted. The vote was unanimous in favor.

APPOINTMENT – AIRPORT AUTHORITY

On the motion of Council member Lama, second Council member Goodlett, the Mayor and Council reappointed Benny Dunn to the Dalton Airport Authority for a 5-year term to expire December 31, 2029. The vote was unanimous in favor.

APPOINTMENT – WATER, LIGHT & SINKING FUND COMMISSION

On the motion of Council member Farrow, second Council member Lama, the Mayor and Council appointed Kevin Brunson to the Water Light & Sinking Fund Commission to fill the unexpired 5-year term of Ken White to expire December 31, 2028. The vote was unanimous in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, on the motion of Councilmember Goodlett, second Councilmember Farrow the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Bernadette Chattam
City Clerk

Annalee Sams, Mayor

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