



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, May 07, 2025 at 6:00 PM
Fulton Council Chambers, 201 N. 7th Street

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

Mayor Kelli Cole
Place 2 Chris Garis Place
Place 3 MaryAnn Pahmiyer
Place 4 Margo Nielsen
Place 5 Laura McCorkle

ABSENT

Mayor Pro Tem Robert Loflin

STAFF PRESENT

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary
Robert Brake, Officer

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – U.S. Flag and Texas Flag

Mayor Cole led everyone in the pledges.

OBSERVE A MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER

Mayor Cole led everyone in a moment of silence.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (PUBLIC FORUM)

Public participation is valued and at this time, comments limited to three (3) minutes will be taken from persons who have signed the Speaker's Card located on the table inside the Council Chambers and delivered to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Written comments received by submission to the City Secretary in person or emailed to citysec@fultontexas.org by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, on any subject matter that is not on the agenda, will be read and summarized in the minutes of the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Council and who have registered using the Speaker's Card will have up to three (3) minutes to speak. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda. While civil public criticism is not prohibited; disorderly conduct or disturbance of the peace as prohibited by law shall be cause for the chair to terminate the offender's time to speak.

PROCLAMATION

1. Proclamation recognizing May 11 - 17, 2025 as Police Officers Week.

Mayor Cole read the proclamation recognizing May 11-17, 2025, as Police Officers Week. She asked Alderwoman McCorkle to inform the rest of the Council of the ceremony on May 15, 2025, recognizing National Police week. The ceremony is being held at the Rockport Police Department on Concho Street.

CONSENT AGENDA

All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

2. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 16, 2025.

Motion made by Place 3 Pahmiyer, Seconded by Place 5 McCorkle to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 16, 2025..

Voting Yea: Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 4 Nielsen, Place 5 McCorkle

3. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** the Mayor's April 2025 credit card statement.

Motion made by Place 5 McCorkle, Seconded by Place 2 Garis to approve the Mayor's April 2025 credit card statement.

Voting Yea: Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 4 Nielsen, Place 5 McCorkle

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

4. Canvass Votes from May 3, 2025 Election.

Mayor Cole read the item and asked Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary, to canvass the votes of the May 3, 2025, Election. Ms. Garcia canvassed the votes. Mayor Cole noted how many of the registered voters voted. Alderwoman Nielson asked for an explanation of under and over votes. Mayor Cole addressed her question.

5. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Resolution No. R-02-2025 Canvassing the Returns of Election held May 3, 2025.

Mayor Cole read the item and there was no discussion.

Motion made by Place 2 Garis, Seconded by Place 5 McCorkle to approve the Resolution No. R-02-2025 Canvassing the Returns of Election held May 3, 2025.

Voting Yea: Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 4 Nielsen, Place 5 McCorkle

6. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** request made by Milton Patschke for a two-foot variance, seven (7) foot to five (5) foot, for his side yard in order to maintain the trees on the property.

Mayor Cole read the item and addressed Mr. Patschke regarding his plans. Mayor Cole indicated that the State of Texas' setback requirement is five (5) foot.

Motion made by Place 5 McCorkle, Seconded by Place 2 Garis to approve the request made by Milton Patschke for a two-foot variance, seven (7) foot to five (5) foot, for his side yard in order to maintain the trees on the property.

Voting Yea: Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 4 Nielsen, Place 5 McCorkle

- 7. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** a request from Pam Williams for variance to rebuild the fence in the same location on the property.

Mayor Cole read the item and addressed Mrs. Williams regarding her plans. Alderwoman Nielson asked for clarification regarding the placement of the fence. Mrs. Williams and the Mayor address the question.

Motion made by Place 2 Garis, Seconded by Place 4 Nielsen to approve the request from Pam Williams for variance to rebuild the fence in the same location on the property.

Voting Yea: Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 4 Nielsen, Place 5 McCorkle

CLOSED SESSION

The Town Council may elect to go into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551, Government Code on any Agenda item where appropriate and particularly Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney) and 551.074 (personnel matters), Government Code.

Council did not convene into Closed Session.

OPEN SESSION

Discuss/Approve/Disapprove any and all action necessary with regard to the preceding matter(s).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. Mayor's Update.

Mayor Cole informed the Council that Lemonade day is May 19th. There will be a stand at the Fulton Pier. She also thanked the citizens that voted in the 2025 election.

9. The next Regular Fulton Town Council Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 21, 2025, beginning at 6:00 pm.

Mayor announced the date and time of the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Cole entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion made by Place 2 Garis, Seconded by Place 5 McCorkle to adjourn the meeting.

Voting Yea: Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 4 Nielsen, Place 5 McCorkle

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Kelli Cole, Mayor

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary