

# City of Hogansville City Council

## Public Hearing & AMENDED Regular Meeting Agenda

## Meeting will be held at Hogansville City Hall, 111 High Street, Hogansville, GA 30230

	Mayor: Jake Ayers	2025	City Manager: <i>Lisa E. Kelly</i>
	Council Post 1: Michael Taylor, Jr	2025	Assistant City Manager: Niles Ford
	Council Post 2: Matthew Morgan	2025	City Attorney: <i>Alex Dixon</i>
	Council Post 3: Mandy Neese*	2023	Chief of Police: Jeffrey Sheppard
	Council Post 4: Mark Ayers	2023	City Clerk: <i>LeAnn Lehigh</i>
	Council Post 5: Toni Striblin	2023	* Mayor Pro-Tem
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## Public Hearing - 7:00 pm

Public Hearing to Hear Citizen Comments on the Millage Rate

#### Regular Meeting – Immediately Following Public Hearing

- 1. Call to Order Mayor Jake Ayers
- 2. Invocation & Pledge

#### Consent Agenda

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.

1. Approval of Agenda: Regular Meeting September 5, 2023

2. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting August 21, 2023

3. Approval of Minutes: Work Session Meeting August 21, 2023

#### **Presentations**

- 1. Employee Service Award Mark Hammond 15 Years
- 2. Employee Service Award Angelita Lynn 6 Years
- 3. Mallett Consulting Parks Plan Update
- 4. Niles Ford LCRR

#### **New Business**

- 1. Bid Award Demolition of 209 & 211 West Boyd Road
- 2. Audit Services

#### City Manager's Report

#### **Chief of Police Report**

#### **Council Member Reports**

- 1. Council Member Taylor
- 2. Council Member Morgan
- 3. Council Member Neese
- 4. Council Member Ayers
- 5. Council Member Striblin

## Mayor's Report

#### Adjourn

## **Upcoming Dates & Events**

- September 16, 2023 | Hogansville Alive After Five
- September 18, 2023 10:00 am | Public Hearing to Hear Citizen Comments on the Millage Rate at Hogansville City Hall
- September 18, 2023 7:00 pm | Public Hearing to Hear Citizen Comments on the Millage Rate at Hogansville City Hall
- September 18, 2023 Immediately Following Public Hearing at 7:00 pm | Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council at Hogansville City Hall



## Tuesday, 09/05/2023

Meeting held at Hogansville City Hall, 111 High Street, Hogansville GA 30230

## **Public Hearing**

Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the Public Hearing to order at 7:01 pm to hear citizen comments on the Millage Rate. Present were Council Member Michael Taylor, Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, and Council Member Mark Ayers. Also present were City Manager Lisa Kelly, Assistant City Manager Niles Ford, City Attorney Alex Dixon, Police Chief Jeff Sheppard, and City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh. Council Member Toni Striblin was not present at the public hearing.

City Manager Lisa Kelly explained that the millage rate has remained the same for the last 19 years at 7.950 mils, but due to property re-assessments and new construction, total property taxes received by the City are expected to increase 12.23%. She again stated that the City's millage rate remains the same at 7.950 mils.

There were no citizen comments and Mayor Ayers closed the Public Hearing at 7:04pm.

## Regular Meeting

Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Present were Council Member Michael Taylor, Jr., Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, Council Member Mark Ayers. Also present were City Manager Lisa Kelly, Assistant City Manager Niles Ford, City Attorney Alex Dixon, Police Chief Jeff Sheppard, and City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh. Council Member Toni Striblin was not present at tonight's meeting.

Council Member Taylor gave an invocation and Mayor Ayers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion:** Council Member Taylor moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

**Motion Carries 4-0** 

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- Employee Service Award Mark Hammond 15 Years
   Waste Water Treatment Plant Supervisor Mark Hammond was recognized for his 15 years of service with the City.
- 2. Employee Service Award Angelita Lynn 6 Years
  Utility Billing Clerk Angelita Lynn was recognized for her 6 years of service with the City.

## 3. Mallett Consulting - Parks Plan Update

Elizabeth Schnabel with Mallett Consulting gave an update on the Park Plan. They have an online survey for residents to complete to have their say in what they would like to see in the City as far as parks are concerned. 157 responses to the survey have been completed. They will come back before Council in the next 2-3 weeks with a draft of the proposal.

#### 4. Niles Ford - LCRR

Assistant City Manager Niles Ford was given the task to outline the LCRR. He will host two Community Information Events in September to allow residents to come and ask questions with regards to the LCRR and how it will affect them. Meetings will be held September 14 at St. Mary's Church at 7pm and at the Hogansville Library on September 20 at 7pm. He explained that the purpose of the LCRR is to better protect children and the community from possible lead exposure in the drinking water system. He explained that there is NO known lead in Hogansville's water supply. The water is regularly tested and is 0ppm for lead. However, due to the federal guidelines, the City must take an inventory of all water service lines and submit the survey by Oct 16, 2024. This means that crews will have to dig 10 feet off the meter on both sides, so residents will have digging in their years. Residents who have had their water lines replaced can submit proof of the replacement and will not have to have their lines surveyed. Homes newer than 1990 are exempt from being surveyed. Our engineers are looking at grants/funding opportunities to help with the costs.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## 1. Bid Award - Demolition of 209 & 211 West Boyd Road

**Motion:** A motion was made by Council Member Neese to approve the bid award to demolish 209 & 211 West Boyd Road to Platinum Services, LLC in the amount of \$6,100. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

**Discussion:** Homes have gone through nuisance abatement. They are in complete disrepair and are covered in kudzu. Platinum Services, LLC was the only responsive bidder.

Motion Passes - 4-0

#### 2. Audit Services

**Motion:** A motion was made by Council Member Ayers to approve the five-year contract with McNair, McLemore, Middlebrooks & Co as the City's new auditor starting with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. The motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor.

**Discussion:** None **Motion Passes – 4-0** 

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Council Member Neese and duly seconded, Mayor Jake Ayers adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully,

LeAnn Lehigh City Clerk