

# CITY OF HUNTSVILLE COUNCIL MEETING

# MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024

City Hall | 6:00 PM

### Agenda

- 1. Call to Order Mayor Travis Dotson
- 2. Roll Call Establish Quorum Finance Director Carmen Watkins
- 3. Invocation Councilor Scott Thomas
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance Councilor Bettina Coger
- 5. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Councilors may add items or delete items.
  - b. Motion required to approve as submitted or amended.
- 6. Introduction of Special Guests
- 7. Special Order of Business
- 8. Approval of Minutes of November 11th Meeting
- 9. Public Comments
- 10. City Department Reports (provided in emailed agenda packet)
  - Police Department

  - b. Public Works Department
  - c. Water Department
  - d. Fire Department
  - e. Finance Director
  - f. Mayor

- Economic Development Director
- Planning Director
- i. **Building Inspector**
- j. Code Enforcement Officer
- Animal Control Officer
- 11. Commission and Committee Reports (emailed with agenda packet)
  - Economic Development & Tourism Commission Meeting November 19
  - b. Airport Commission Meeting-November 19
  - c. Water and Sewer Commission Meeting November 21
  - d. Planning Commission Meeting November 25
  - e. Park Commission Meeting -
  - Wage and Salary Committee Meetings -November 11

### 12. Unfinished Business

### 13. New Business

- Resolution 18-2024 Payroll Direct Deposit
- Resolution 19-2024 Budget Amendment for 2024
- Resolution 20-2024 Proposed 2025 Budget

# 14. Announcements/Correspondence/Comments

- a. Economic Dev. Commission Meeting TBD
- b. Water & Sewer Commission Meeting Thursday, Dec 19th 12:00 PM
- c. Planning Commission Meeting Monday, Dec 16th, 6:00 PM
- d. City Council Meeting Monday, Dec. 9, 6:00 PM

### 15. Adjournment

Travis Dotson

Mayor

Joetta Smith

City Clerk

**Councilor Roger Eoff** 

Ward I, Position I

Councilor Chrystal Lacey

Ward I, Position II

Councilor Scott Thomas

Ward II, Position I

Councilor Leslie Evans

Ward II, Position II

Councilor Guy Roden

Ward III, Position I

Councilor Kevin Meythaler

Ward III, Position II

Councilor Bettina Coger

Ward IV, Position I

**Councilor Stephen Ford** 

Ward IV. Position II

Jessica Fritts

City Attorney

**Todd Thomas** 

Chief of Police

Brian Robinson Public Works Director

Carmen Watkins Finance Director

Kevin Shinn Fire Department Chief

Sean Davis

Water Department Director

Brandi Holt

Economic Development Director

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# November 11, 2024

# CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Travis Dotson called to order the regular monthly meeting of the Huntsville City Council at City Hall at

# ROLL CALL / QUORUM

Councilors Stephen Ford, Chrystal Lacey, Scott Thomas, Leslie Evans, Guy Roden, Roger Eoff were present. Councilor Kevin Meythaler was absent, and one position is vacant. Watkins called roll and declared a quorum.

# INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Thomas shared the Invocation and Councilor Roden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Evans made a motion to accept the agenda and was seconded by Ford. Motion approved.

# INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Mayor Dotson had Economic Development Director, Brandi Holt introduce Sam Ireland form Placer.ai via Zoom and Sam gave a short presentation on how Placer.ai will help the City of Huntsville.

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Bettina Coger was sworn in as a new Counselor for Ward 4, Position 1.

Mayor Dotson introduced Carmen Watkins as the new Finance Director.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Eoff made a motion to approve the minutes of October 14, seconded by Ford. Motion approved.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

# CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Written departmental reports were provided to councilors in their emailed agenda packets. These actions were taken, or information was presented during the reporting period:

- Chief Thomas reported that Officer Blake Evans was taking classes for CID and should earn a certificate by December. He also stated that there will be a new report for the SRO.
- Planning Commission Director Thomas gave a description of the new Residential Accessory Building permit. This is for minor changes to any home or putting up a storage unit on a property. There is no fee
- Chief Kevin Shinn said they had an unusually busy October because of the drought and that there were many brush fires that they had to respond to. The Fire Department has 22 members on its roster, but only 9 have been with the department over 2 years.

# COMMISSION / COMMITTEE REPORTS PROVIDED

- Economic Development October 23
- Water and Sewer Commission October 17
- Planning Commission October 28
- Budget Committee October 23 & 28

Mayor Dotson presented AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. Councilor Eoff made a Motion to place the Ordinance on its third reading by title only, seconded by Roden. Attorney Fritts read the title. Counciler Thomas made a Motion to Adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Counciler Eoff. Motion carried unanimously. Ordinance 2024-8

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Dotson introduced AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A NEW ZONING MAP AND CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Councilor Thomas made a motion to place the ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Councilor Eoff. Councilor Thomas made a motion to suspend the rules of reading the ordinance on three separate days and proceed with the second reading by title only. Motion seconded by Councilor Eoff. Attorney Fritts read the title. Councilor Thomas made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its third reading by title only, seconded by Counselor Eoff. Attorney Fritts read the title. Mayor Dotson opened the floor for further discussion. After no discussion, Councilor Roden made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Ford. Councilor Thomas made a motion to Accept the Emergency clause, seconded by Councilor Eoff. Motion carried unanimously. Ordinance 2024-9

Mayor Dotson presented a RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE PERSONNEL POLICY. Motion made by Councilor Eoff to adopt the resolution, seconded by Councilor Ford. Motion carried unanimously. Resolution 2024-10

Mayor Dotson introduced AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 14 OF THE HUNTSVILLE ZONING CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Councilor Thomas made a motion to place the ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Roden. Attorney Fritts read the ordinance. Councilor Thomas made a motion to suspend the rules of reading the ordinance on three separate days and proceed with the second reading by title only. Motion seconded by Councilor Eoff. Attorney Fritts read the title. Councilor Thomas made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its third reading by title only, seconded by Councilor Eoff. Attorney Fritts read the title. Mayor Dotson opened the floor for further discussion. After no discussion, Councilor Thomas made a motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Eoff. Councilor Thomas made a motion to Accept the Emergency Clause, seconded by Councilor Eoff. Motion carried unanimously. Ordinance 2024-10

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, COMMENTS, AND OTHER

Upcoming meetings and activities were announced.

### ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Eoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilor Scott. Meeting adjourned 7:30 p.m.

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| Mayor Travis Dotson | City Clerk Joetta Smith |

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# Huntsville Water Utilities Monthly Report

| Reporting Period:   | October 15, 2024 - Novemi | per 15, 2024   |                | the control of the section control of the sec | Andrew Control of the |
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|                     | Current Month             | The state of the s | nth Comparison | Same Mor   | nth, 1 Year Ago  |
| Active Accounts     | 1,409                     | Down   | 7              | Down   | 12   |
| In City Residential | 1,027                     | Down   | 11             | Down   | 15   |
| Gallons Purchased   | 57,549,516                | Up   | 18,001,730     | Up   | 10,773,316   |
| Gallons Sold        | 57,183,516                | Up   | 21,562,186     | Up   | 13,177,130   |
| Gal. Wastewater     | 53,910,000                | Up   | 25,396,000     | Up   |  |
| Number of Leaks     | 6                         | Down   | 6              |  | 10,763,000   |
| Leak Man Hours      | 39                        | Down   | 42             | Up   | 3  |
| Water Loss %        | 1%                        | Down   |                | Up   | 11   |
| Service Orders      | 79                        | Down   | 8%             | Down   | 5%   |
| Line Locates        | 29                        | Down   | 69             | Up Up  | <u>39</u><br>5   |

|                   | Year to Date  | Previous Yea | r Comparison |
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| Gallons Purchased | 465,202,329   | Úр           | 5,010,471    |
| Gallons Sold      | 425,949,525   | Down         | 7,701,655    |
| Gal. Wastewater   | 414,216,000   | Down         | 54,312,000   |
| Number of Leaks   | 52            | Uр           | 26           |
| Leak Man Hours    | 467           | Up           | 263          |
| Water Loss %      | Average of 8% | Up           | 3%           |
| Service Orders    | 1163          | Up           | 663          |
| Line Locates      | 318           | Up           | 8            |

# HUNTSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

# **December 2024 Report of November Activities**

- Our training for the month of November focused on hose deployment.
- We currently have 22 members on our roster.
- So far in 2024, our department has responded to 104 fire-related calls, which is 32 more than our previous high year in the past five years. A number of those have been brush/grass fire calls but we have also seen an increase in our structure fire response numbers. Eleven of our firefighters responded to at least 33% of the fire calls.
  - o Fire calls 2023-72 calls; 2022-69 calls; 2021-59 calls; 2020-71 calls; 2019-50 calls.
- Currently, the fire dues for citizens living outside the City of Huntsville in our Fire District are only \$35 a year. I strongly recommend that we raise that amount to at least \$60 a year beginning in 2025. Considering the volume of calls that we respond to in the district, expecting the citizens who live there to pay what would be the equivalent of \$5 a month to us to offset our fuel expenses alone seems to be reasonable to me.
- The KME has now been named Engine 3 and is now in service. I will bring it to our City Council meeting for anyone
  who would like to look it over and ask any questions.
- I have a meeting Monday afternoon to begin the transition process to NERIS. I will introduce the system to our county fire chiefs at our January meeting.
- We have had to repair two bay doors at Station 2 again. One quit working the next day and we are waiting on them to return to complete their work. This is the third company we have used.
- Currently working with the school on their plans to build an indoor baseball/softball building.
- At our NWA Metro Fire Chiefs meeting, we were informed that the review is ongoing for the proposed OSHA
  regulations but that there is still the prospect that much of the safety related requirements will be retained.
- I will be meeting with our ISO representative during the first part of the year to discuss the issues that need to be addressed for us to reach a Class 2 rating as well as to hold on to our Class 3 rating. The biggest concern will be the need for a ladder truck.
- We are currently in the process of reviewing and developing updated preplans for the buildings on the square as well as our apartment complexes. Our biggest challenge is to provide an effective response with the limited manpower we will have available when we have one of our large fires.
- Assistant Chief Jeremy Shinn is working on developing plans for the training center that will be utilized by both the fire and police departments.
- Captain Kristyn Shinn Clark organized a collaborative photo shoot with the pet shelter highlighting their dogs. The pictures will be used to create a 2025 calendar that will serve as a fundraiser.
  - o She is also working on a project with the Middle School EAST program to assist us with recruitment.
- I am also in the process of establishing updated response policies and crafting new Automatic Aid agreements for our surrounding departments.

Fire Department Emergency Calls January 1 through November 30 by year:

| <b>2024</b> – 668 | <b>2022</b> – 622 | <b>2020</b> – 413 | 2018 - 379        | <b>2016</b> – 449 |
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| <b>2023</b> – 612 | <b>2021</b> -558  | <b>2019</b> – 420 | <b>2017</b> – 385 | 2015 - 494        |

| January<br>-<br>October | EMS<br>CALLS | %   | MVA | %  | FIRE CALLS | %   | SPECIAL<br>DUTY | %  | 10%<br>of calls | Inspections/<br>Preplans | Public<br>Service/<br>Education | Training | Total<br>Events |
|-------------------------|--------------|-----|-----|----|------------|-----|-----------------|----|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|-----------------|
|                         | 441          | 75% | 27  | 4% | 104        | 18% | 19              | 3% | 10              | 40                       | 37                              | 30       | 698             |

# Planning Commission Report

City of Huntsville December 2024 (for November items)

# **OVERVIEW & PURPOSE**

Planning we strive to be a proactive department that establishes goals and policies for directing and managing future growth and development. We address fundamental issues such as the location of growth, housing needs, and environmental protection.

# APPROVED: COMMERCIAL / RESIDENTIAL / ZONE CHANGE

- 1. Building Permit, 13174 Us 412, 1400 ft office space, needs 8 parking spaces, meets set backs of 150/20/20
- 2. Accessory Building permit, approved 4919 Hwy 412
- 3. Deck Building permit, approved Paradise In
- 4. Accessory Building, 513 Lee, extension to move unit approved
- 5. PUD Zone Approved, C2 and R3

# FINAL PLAT: APPROVALS

1. Highland Park phase VI (6)



# Animal Control Monthly Report November 2024

| Calls                  | Jan | Feb | Mar         | Apr | May                                     | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov                                     | Dec | VTD     |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-------------|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|-----|---------|
| Nuisance               | 13  | 14  | 22          | 5   | 15                                      | 14  | 16  | 10  |     |     |   | Dec | YTD     |
| Abuse                  | 0   |     | 27611515151 |     |   |     | 10  | 10  | 17  | 10  | 14                                      |     | 150     |
|                        | 0   | 0   | 0           | 0 . | 0                                       | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0                                       |     | 2       |
| Hit by Vehicle         | 0   | 0   | 0           | 0   | 0                                       | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0                                       |     |         |
| Animals Picked Up      | 7   | 0   | 11          | 0   | 7                                       | 4   | 6   |     |     |     | 0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000 |     | 3       |
| Returned to Owner      |     |     |             |     |   | 4   | O   | 10  | 7   | 10  | 12                                      |     | 74      |
|                        | - 5 | 0   | 10          | 0   | 6                                       | 1   | 5   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 12                                      |     | 63      |
| Vicious/Animal Attack  | 1   | 0   | 0           | 0   | 1                                       | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 1                                       |     | allo AV |
| Animals to Pet Shelter | 0   | 0   | Siave Blade |     | S - C - C - C - C - C - C - C - C - C - | -   |     | U   | 1   | 1   | 1                                       |     | 5       |
|                        | U   | 0   | 1           | 0   | 1                                       | 1   | 3   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0                                       |     | 8       |
| Tickets Issued         | 0   | 0   | 0           | 0   | 1                                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1                                       |     | 7       |

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# BUILDING INSPECTOR MONTHLY REPORT

| Name                 | Number | Location         |
|----------------------|--------|------------------|
| Terry Presley        | 5      | Subdivision      |
| New Housesx 2        | 6      | Mae St.          |
| County Jail          | 5      | 412 East         |
| New House            | 4      | Enclave St       |
| Lew Thompson (Final) | 1      | 412 Bypass/Final |
| Tilda Long           | 1      | Locust St        |
| Darrell Trahan       | 1      | 412 East         |
|                      |        |                  |
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|                      |        |                  |

# Huntsville Airport Commission November 19, 2024

Charles Coger called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

Commissioners in attendance: Charles Coger Bill Smith Bill Mason Tem Dotson Mark Hutton

Also in attendance was Steve Patton and Mayor Dotson

A motion and a second was made to approve the minutes from the September 3rd meeting.

Charles Coger Stated that he had 2 items to discuss.

First, right now we have 88,607.00 in the bank. Second, we got 1,035 gallons of fuel so we need to order half a load tomorrow.

Mayor Dotson stated that first and foremost he will address the question about jet fuel. That he and Bill were talking about extending the runway to get more planes to land at the airport. He stated that he thought that helicopters use the same type of fuel. Instead of extending the runway we might put in some jet fuel because there is a big push for it right now and that might save us some money on extending the runway. He also stated that the Walton pilots have contacted about possibly having a hub at the airport.

Mayor Dotson also stated that he has had two phone calls. They would be interested in a rental car place at the airport. They told the Mayor that they would like to land at the airport and possibly stay a week or two.

The last topic that Mayor Dotson brought up was about the 20x20 classroom, meeting room, event center. I think that is a great idea and maybe we could take it to the City Council and see if the City Council could help. Mayor Dotson also offered to go and look at the room that Berryville airport has built.

Charles stated that the hanger needs to be done by March. Mayor Dotson said that once the metal gets here that is should only take 28 days to build. It's just getting the metal here. He stated that we could apply for an extension if we need to.

Charles stated that the airport is allowed 2 grants a year. One is \$500,000 and the other is \$300,000. We need to think about doing more dirt work for 3 more hangers. Also, what we could spend \$500,000 on.

Mayor Dotson wanted to add that the City has redone the budget for the groundskeeping of the airport. It has been increased to \$6,500.

Charles brought up that we may need to buy a lift at some point.

A motion and a second was made to adjourn the meeting.

# Huntsville Water Utilities Commission Meeting

# November 21, 2024

The regular meeting of the Huntsville Water and Sewer Commission was held at the Huntsville Water Utilities

# Call to Order

At 4:00 pm, Chairman Roden called the meeting to order. Commissioners Roden, Ford, Brashears, and Rogers were present. Commissioner Scott was absent.

# Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Rogers made a motion to approve the minutes of the October meeting, seconded by Commissioner Ford. The motion was approved.

# Old Business

Mr. Davis reported that he had submitted almost everything on the checklist for the ARPA grant. He said that if everything went well, it would be possible for the grant funds to be available before the end of the

### **New Business**

- Mr. Davis presented a copy of the City's new Social Media policy to the Commission for review and requested that it be officially adopted for Huntsville Water as well. Commissioner Ford made a motion to adopt the policy and edit it to read as Huntsville Water, seconded by Commissioner Rogers. The motion
- Mr. Davis reported that Huntsville Water owed \$388,000.00 to McClelland Engineering for design work on the wastewater plant upgrade. With the possibility that the project would not be funded in 2025 as originally planned, McClelland had inquired about a payment in 2024. Mr. Davis stated that funds were available to make at least a \$100,000.00 payment before year end and that the remaining balance could be addressed in 2025. The Commission approved the payment.
- Updates on the wastewater project were postponed to the January meeting when the next design phase

# Other Business

- In other business, Mr. Davis reported that he had discussed the possibility of receiving two customers on Harmony Road that were currently Rural Water customers. Rodney Reynolds, the Rural Water Director, would be reaching out during December to discuss the details. He also reported that as part of the ongoing Lead and Copper review on customer service lines, a notice was printed on the December bills warning customers that if their lines were installed prior to 1989, they could contain lead. The notice was required by the state. Mr. Davis added that Huntsville Water regularly tested the system for lead and copper and had never received any positive results.
- At 4:39, the Commission entered into executive session.
- At 4:46, the Commission exited executive session. Commissioner Rogers made a motion to approve a 2.5% cost of living adjustment for all employees in 2025, seconded by Commissioner Ford. The motion was approved.

# Announcements .

• In announcements, Mr. Davis reminded the Commission that the December 19, 2024, meeting would be at 12:00 pm instead of 4:00 pm and that lunch would be provided for the holidays. The meeting would be held at the Basham building.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

• Commissioner Brashears made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Ford. The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 pm.



# City of Huntsville Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes 11/25/2024

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission came to order at 6:00 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

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All members of the Commission were present accept Commissioners Çoger and Willis. Director Thomas and Engineer Presley were present.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Commissioner Davis made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Malloy seconded and all were in favor.

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Yates moved to accept the agenda. Commissioner Malloy seconded and all were in favor.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the final plat of phase 6 of the Highland Park Subdivision. Commissioner MacLean asked about sidewalks. Engineer Presley said they would be constructed when construction of each house was in process. Terry Presley said the sidewalk along Missouri street has been extended to phase 6. The sidewalk will run on the inside of Tonya Loop. Commissioner Yates seconded the motion and all were in favor of approving phase 6 of the Highland Park Subdivision. Chairman Ford asked about the street entrance to Highland Park from Missouri Street. Chairman Ford asked if a curb was going to be installed on about 50 feet of the west side of Missouri Street. Terry Presley said he would construct the curb if necessary. Chairman Ford suggested he and Engineer Presley would check out the site to make a recommendation.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There will be no ad hoc meeting this Wednesday. The regular meeting of the Commission will be moved to December 16 at 5:30 PM

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Malloy moved to adjourn. Commissioner Yates seconded. All were in favor and the

2023 Planning and Board of Zoning Adjustments Commissioners

Brad Willis Charles Coger Jim MacLean Kenny Malloy Sean Davis

Jason Yates Stephen Ford meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Secretary MacLean

2023 Planning and Board of Zoning Adjustments Commissioners



City of Huntsville Economic Development & Tourism Commission Report November 2024

### **Strategic Objectives**

- Introduced Placer.ai and account manager, Sam Ireland at city council meeting. The city
  has a one-year subscription to the Placer.ai location analytic platform 11/11/2024
- Attended AI for the Workplace workshop at NWACC 11/14/2024
- Attended Madison County Health Coalition meeting 11/18/2024
- Attended North Arkansas Tourism Association meeting 11/20/2024
- Attended information session on 75 Strong, AEDC's entrepreneurial program focused on rural areas 11/21/2024
- Helped set up Lighting on the Square celebration with city team members 11/22/2024
- Attended onboarding training with Placer.ai CSM, Angie Gonzales 11/25/2024

### **Upcoming**

January 22, 2025 - Arkansas Heritage Tax Credit Information Session facilitated by Dr.
Revis Edmonds. Property owners in and outside of the Huntsville Historic District can ask
Dr. Edmonds questions and discuss renovation projects that will qualify for tax credits.
This presentation will also be relevant to builders, developers, and construction
certification educators. Meeting time and location TBD.

# Wage and Salary Committee Meeting Minutes

# November 11, 2024

Mayor Dotson called the meeting to order at 05:40 p.m. Commissioners Guy Rodden, Leslie Evans, Chrystal Lacy and Scott Thomas were present for the meeting; Mayor Travis Dotson and Becky Nelle were also present.

The Commission meeting went into executive session immediately. Mayor Dotson excused himself.

Motion made by Commissioner Evans to approve increase in the Mayor's salary to \$62,000, effective January 1, 2025, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. 3 Yays, Commissioner Thomas, Rodden and Evans, 1 recused, Commissioner Lacy. Motion Caried

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Evans. Meeting adjourned 05:55 p.m.

**RMN** 

Personal Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2024

Mayor Dotson called the meeting to order at 11:00 am. Department Heads Pamela Garrett, Sean Davis, Brian Robinson and Carmen Watkins were present.

Motion made by Sean and seconded by Carmen to add to the Personal Policy that it be Mandatory that any new employee must sign up for Direct Deposit. Motion passed.

Pamela made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sean.