

Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 16, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Present		Absent	
Mayor	Travis Seale	Fire Chief	Chris Swenning
Mayor Pro Tem	Ginny Sears		
Council	Allen Kocian		
	Jeff Brazill		
	Kevin Laney		
	Josh Homan		
City Manager	Ray Miller		
City Secretary	Jacqueline Ott		
Police Chief	Lee Dick		
Utility Director	Steve Cobler		

Call to Order

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

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Kocian led the invocation and pledges.

Citizen Participation

1. Mike Whitten spoke on the status of open work orders submitted by the American Legion to the City.

Consent Agenda

Consider and take appropriate action on the following items:

1. Minutes from the Regular City Council meeting held on November 18, 2025.
2. Financial reports for November 2025.

Councilman Kocian moved, with a second from Mayor Pro Tem Sears, to approve the consent agenda items. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Staff Reports

1. Fire Chief Swenning was absent and no report was provided.
2. Police Chief Dick did not have anything to add to his report.
3. Utility Director Cobler did not have anything to add to his report.
4. City Manager Miller did not have anything to add to the code enforcement report.
5. Mayor Pro Tem Sears asked about the school board meeting. City Manager Miller confirmed that he presented the drainage study to the school board at their regular meeting

in November. He also gave an update on the work being funded by the Flatonia Youth Sports and Events on the soccer field at 7 Acre Park.

Discussion Agenda

1. Steve Moffitt and Masooma Bilgrami with Synergy presented the electric rate study. Councilman Brazill asked for clarification on how the proposed percentage increase is applied, and Mr. Moffitt explained it is only applied to the base rate. City Manager Miller proposed adopting a rate increase over two years. Mayor Seale asked to bring this item on the agenda for January.
2. City Manager Miller presented two requested repairs from the American Legion: repairing the irrigation system and replacing rotted windowsills. He does not believe the City is responsible for repairing the irrigation system based on the lease. After much debate, the Council instructed City Manager Miller to make the requested repairs.

Deliberation Agenda

1. Councilman Kocian moved, with a second from Councilman Brazill, to authorize City Manager Miller to finance the purchase of a bucket truck for the electric department. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
2. Councilman Brazill moved, with a second from Councilman Kocian, to approve Resolution 2025.12.1, a resolution entering a contract with Government Capital Corporation for the purpose of financing the purchase of a bucket truck for the electric department. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
3. Councilman Homan moved, with a second from Councilman Kocian, to reject the bids received for the 2023 TDA TxCDBG project – Water Well No. 3 Booster Pumps, Contract CDV23-0369. Bradley Loehr with BEFCO Engineering presented the information from the bids received and recommended the rejection, stating the bids were well over the grant amount. The scope of the project will be adjusted, and the project will be re-bid in January. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
4. Councilman Laney moved, with a second from Mayor Pro Tem Sears, to approve the destruction of City of Flatonia records as designated by City Secretary Ott. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
5. Mayor Pro Tem Sears moved, with a second from Councilman Kocian, to approve Ordinance 2025.12.1, an ordinance amending the Flatonia Fee Schedule establishing solid waste disposal rates for the City of Flatonia. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
6. Mayor Seale instructed City Manager Miller to bring this item back to the regular January Council meeting.
7. Councilman Homan moved, with a second from Councilman Brazill to approve the Flatonia Little League Boosters to raise money for the purchase and installation of mini

split A/C systems for the restrooms at Garbade and McWhirter Park. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Adjournment

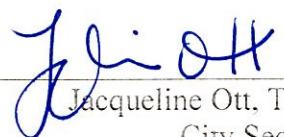
Mayor Seale adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Signed



Travis Seale
Mayor

ATTEST



Jacqueline Ott, TRMC
City Secretary

