



CITY OF STATESBORO  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
JANUARY 07, 2025

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

9:00 AM

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

**2. Invocation and Pledge**

Councilmember Ginny Hendley gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jonathan McCollar	Mayor	Present	
Tangie Johnson	Councilmember	Present	
Paulette Chavers	Councilmember	Present	
Ginny Hendley	Councilmember	Present	
John Riggs	Councilmember	Present	
Shari Barr	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	

Other staff present: City Manager Charles Penny, Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles, Public Affairs Manager Layne Phillips, City Attorney Cain Smith and City Clerk Leah Harden

**3. Recognitions/Public Presentations**

**A) Presentation by Kameron Mitchell, Public Affairs Specialist from the Small Business Administration (SBA), Office of Disaster Recovery & Resilience regarding available disaster programs.**

Kameron Mitchell was not present.

**B) Presentation of the 2024 Georgia Transit Association (GTA) Performance Award granted to the Statesboro Area Transit (SAT) system.**

Mayor Jonathan McCollar presented the 2024 Georgia Transit Association Performance Award for the Statesboro Area Transit (SAT) system to Kiara Ahmed, Project Manager for developing SAT, John Washington, Director of Public Works and Engineering, Richard Smiley, Streets and Parks Superintendent and Jimmy Green interim Transportation Director with Coastal Regional Commission.

This award recognizes a Georgia transit system that has demonstrated improvement and outstanding performance, including ridership, customer service, and service expansion. Statesboro Area Transit was chosen to receive this award out of over 120 operating transit systems in Georgia.

**4. Public Comments (Agenda Item):**

**5. Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda**

**A) Approval of Minutes**

**a) 12-17-2024 Council Minutes**

**b) 12-17-2024 Executive Session Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>AYES:</b>	Johnson, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT:</b>	

**6. Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2025-01: A Resolution to fix and publish qualifying fees for the City of Statesboro November 4, 2025 General Election.**

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<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Tangie Johnson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>AYES:</b>	Johnson, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT:</b>	

**7. Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2025-02: A Resolution to add membership in a fund of the Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency (GIRMA) fund.**

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<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Ginny Hendley
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>AYES:</b>	Johnson, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT:</b>	

**8. Consideration of a motion to amend the contract with Mill Creek Construction in the estimated amount of \$47,740.70 for the FY2024 annual resurfacing project for work based on unit pricing provided by the contractor. This project is paid for by GDOT LMIG funds and TSPLOST funds.**

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<b>AYES:</b>	Johnson, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT:</b>	

**9. Consideration of a motion to award a contract to Xylem Dewatering Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of a Godwin 4 inch portable, diesel backup pump (Model # CD100S) per the Florida Sheriff's Association cooperative purchasing contract in the amount of \$49,109.34. This item to be purchased with funds approved in the 2025 CIP Budget, item #WWD-37, funded by the 2019 SPLOST.**

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<b>ABSENT:</b>	

**10. Other Business from City Council**

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr saluting former Governor and President Jimmy Carter who just passed away at the age of 100 and has been such a model of a statesman public service and how we can live our values.

**11. City Managers Comments**

City Manager Charles Penny brought to Mayor and Councils attention a memo in the FYI packet with a list of items the City used the ARPA funds. We did not have to send any funds back. Mr. Penny shared that on January 13<sup>th</sup> smoke testing will be conducted on some of the City's sewer mains. Then on January 9<sup>th</sup> the City of Brooklet will be hosting a groundbreaking for their new sewer system.

**12. Public Comments (General):** None

**13. Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Personnel Matters”  
“Real Estate” and/or “Potential Litigation” in accordance with O.C.G.A 50-14-3(b).**

There was no need for executive session.

**14. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn**

A motion was made to adjourn.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember John Riggs
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Tangie Johnson
<b>AYES:</b>	Johnson, Chavers, Hendley, Riggs, Barr
<b>ABSENT:</b>	

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 am.

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

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Leah Harden, City Clerk