



City of Powder Springs

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Powder Springs, GA 30127
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Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council

Mayor

Albert Thurman

Council Members:

Henry Lust, Doris Dawkins, Dwayne Green, Dwight McMutry, Patricia

Wisdom

Tuesday, January 2, 2024

7:00 PM

Patricia C. Vaughn Cultural Arts Center
4181 Atlanta Street | Building 1
Powder Springs, GA 30127

Due to New Year's Day Holiday

Onsite at Patricia Vaughn Cultural Arts Center - 4181 Atlanta Street

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89733279420>

Meeting ID: 897 3327 9420 Dial: 1-929-205-6099

01. Call to Order

City Clerk Kelly Axt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All Council Members were present on site. Also present on site were City Attorney Julie Livingston, City Manager Pam Conner, and City Clerk Kelly Axt.

Staff in attendance: Lane Cadwell, Tamara Newkirt, Travis Sims (Zoom), Bill Tanks, and Wayne Wright.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was led by Council Member Green and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Lust.

3. Oaths of Office for Elected Officials, Presided by Honorable Kellie S. Hill, Superior Court Judge

[Oath 24 - 001](#) Council Member At Large - Post 2

Attachments: [Patricia Wisdom - Council Member At Large Post 2](#)

Honorable Kellie S. Hill, Superior Court Judge, administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Patricia Wisdom.

[Oath 24 - 002](#) Council Member At Large - Post 1

Attachments: [Dwight McMurtry - Council Member At Large Post 1](#)

Honorable Kellie S. Hill, Superior Court Judge, administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Dwight McMurtry.

[Oath 24 - 003](#) Mayor - Oath of Office

Attachments: [Albert Thurman - Mayor](#)

Honorable Kellie S. Hill, Superior Court Judge, administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Albert Thurman.

4. Approval of Minutes

[2023 -081](#) City Council Agenda Minutes 12/04/2023

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that City Council Agenda Minutes 12/04/2023 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMurtry

[2024 -004](#) Special Called City Council Work Session Minutes 12/21/2023 at 4:30PM

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that Special Called City Council Work Session Minutes 12/21/2023 at 4:30PM be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMurtry

[2024 -005](#) Special Called City Council Agenda Minutes 12/21/2023 at 6PM

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, seconded by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, that Special Called City Council Agenda Minutes 12/21/2023 at 6PM be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMurtry

5. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Thurman thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting and wished them a happy and prosperous New Year.

[2024 -001](#) City Council Liaison Appointments for 2024

Attachments: [City Council Liaison Appointments 2024 pdf.pdf](#)

City Attorney Julie Livingston presented the Mayor's liaison appointments to City Departments, Boards and Commissions.

6. City Wide Appointments

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, seconded by Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, that these City Appointments be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry

[2024 -002](#) City Wide Appointments - 2024

City Attorney Julie Livingston presented the appointments for City Council approval.

7. Mayor Pro Tem Election

[2024 -003](#) Mayor Pro Tem Election

City Attorney Julie Livingston conducted the Mayor Pro Tem Election via paper ballot; Mayor Pro Tem Elect Henry Lust received a 5-0 vote for 2024 Mayor Pro Tem.

8. Oath of Office Chief Municipal Court Judge Doug Kidd & City Solicitor Adam J. Rosen and Roger J. Rozen

Mayor Thurman and City Clerk Kelly Axt swore in Judge Doug Kidd as Powder Springs Chief Municipal Court Judge.

Mayor Thurman and City Clerk Kelly Axt swore in Adam J. Rozen and Roger J. Rozen as Powder Springs City Solicitors.

9. Citizen Comments

No citizen comments were made.

Registration to speak at any City Council meeting, per City Charter, is the day of the meeting only beginning 20 minutes prior to the start of the meeting (6:40 - 7:00 PM). The first twelve registering to speak will be given five (5) minutes to address Mayor and Council with their comments. You can register by signing up in person at the Cultural Arts Center located at 4181 Atlanta Street - location of the on site meeting or by emailing kaxt@cityofpowdersprings.org between 6:40 and 7:00 PM to register to speak.

10. Public Reports | Presentations

11. City Attorney

[RES0 24-001](#) Staff Report on proposal from Holiday Designs to manage Christmas Decorations for

the City of Powder Springs.

Attachments: [Holiday Designs Proposal Redacted](#)
[RESOLUTION 2024 - 001](#)

Pam Conner, City Manager, discussed the contract amendment with Holiday Designs to take over the current contract for removal and storage of the Christmas tree and downtown decorations.

This Resolution RES0 24-001 was approved.

12. City Manager and City Council Reports

Council Member Green congratulated the office holders and shared his peace and blessings to everyone.

Council Member Dawkins wished everyone a happy and blessed 2024; congratulated all the appointees on their positions, the newly elected Council Members, Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.

Council Member Lust thanked everyone for attending the meeting in person as well as online; congratulated the persons that were sworn into the new positions; thanked the City Council for voting him in as Mayor Pro Tem; and wished everyone love and success in the New Year.

Council Member McMutry hoped everyone had a happy and safe holiday; congratulated everyone that was sworn in; and asked for trust in him as he serves the community.

Council Member Wisdom congratulated new Council Member McMutry, Mayor Thurman and all the appointees ; thanked everyone for participating in person as well as on Zoom; and wished everyone a prosperous New Year.

13. Executive Session, if called for purposes of Real Estate, Litigation or Personnel Matters

No Executive Session was held.

14. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member - Ward 3 Green, seconded by Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, that this Adjournment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem - Ward 1 Lust, Council Member - Ward 2 Dawkins, Council Member - Ward 3 Green, Council Member - At Large Post 2 Wisdom, and Council Member - At Large Post 1 McMutry