

April 1, 2025

Pre-Council meeting called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Mayor W. Keith Varner at Mulga Town Hall.

Council members present: Jeremy Davis, Lisa Armstrong, Lelan Taylor, and Rachel Davis.

Absent: Brenda Zinnerman.

Visitors: Beverly Abbott, Connie Taylor, Jonathan Goodwin, Adam Booth, Rodey Carter & Dalton Vildibill.

District 1: There are some street drains that are clogged.

District 2: Absent

District 3: Nothing

District 4: We had a great clean-up, over 100 people showed up.

Are all of our ordinances and resolutions public documents?

Ben Goldman: Yes, many are on the website. And, we have a public records request policy.

District 5: Myself & Lelan Taylor got recognized by Jefferson County for the Don't Litter on Alabama initiative.

Mayor: We received a response back from the post office. They are not going to change the zip code of Bayview.

We lost our camera system during the last storm. The odorization station also got struck by lightning. We have a temporary fix until the parts come in.

District 4: Are we still negotiating with Verizon?

Mayor: Yes, I haven't heard back since sending in the counter proposal.

We had a very successful block party planning meeting.

There are 8 people on the planning committee.

District 4: Boston butts went on sale today.

Council meeting called to order at 6:42 p.m. by W. Keith Varner at the Mulga Town Hall.

Invocation by Lee Taylor, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Jeremy Davis makes motion to approve the minutes from March 4, 2025. Second by Rachel Davis.

Roll Call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Absent

District 3: Abstain

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Rachel Davis makes motion to approve bills for payment. Second by Lisa Armstrong.

Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Absent

District 3: Yes

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

District 1: Is there any way the town can get an ordinance to stop all the shooting?

Mayor: The shooting is taking place outside the corporate limits. Therefore, an ordinance wouldn't help.

District 2: Absent

District 3: Nothing

District 4: Nothing

District 5: Someone complained about the dumpster gate opening time.

Connie Taylor: Thank y'all for everything you do. Can we do a welcome wagon type thing to get to know who is moving into the community?

Mayor: I would like to sit down and hear what your ideas are on this. We could assist with new residents moving in.

Connie Taylor: Has the demolition been stopped or postponed for Scott & Beverly's house?

Mayor: Yes. As long as progress is being made, we will work with people.

Rodney carter: There is a storm drain next to 214 2nd Ave that is causing erosion in the yard. Can the town help fill in these holes?

Mayor: I will come take a look at it.

Beverly Abbott: 121 Front St, there are several large packages on the porch. We will get those put away as soon as possible. We are aware that a vehicle needs to be moved & the grass needs to be cut. We have trimmed some of the trees.

Mayor: Sounds like you're making progress, keep doing what you're doing.

Adam Booth (speaking on behalf of Scott McKenzie): It's taking us some time to get the place cleaned up. We have an old junk car that we would like to be removed.

Mayor: We can get it removed for you if you would like to donate it to the park board & fire department.

Adam Booth (speaking on behalf of Scott McKenzie): Yes, we would like that.

Mayor: You're making progress, that is appreciated. We're going to work with you as long as your making progress.

Mayor: The block party is scheduled for August 9, 2025 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. We will have a food truck with several options that will cost \$10 per person. We talked to the porta potty people and the people with the bounce houses. We are looking at about \$10,000 for everything. We are going to sell advertisements-the proceeds will go back into the budget amount.

What do we need to do for the bounce houses and water slide to be covered under our liability insurance?

Ben: Since this is a free event, you should be entitled to recreation immunity. You could check with AMIC and see what they say.

Lelan Taylor makes a motion to approve \$10,000 for block party expenses. Second by Rachel Davis.

Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Absent

District 3: Yes

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Mayor: We are going to have to figure out how to get the camera system fixed.

District 5: Will it be cheaper to get a whole new system or get someone to repair the current one?

Mayor: I don't think anyone will work on the current system. A new system will cost about \$2600.00.

Rachel Davis makes a motion to approve the purchase of a new camera system for \$2600.00. Second by Lisa Armstrong.

Roll Call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Absent

District 3: Yes

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Ben Goldman: Resolution No. 2025-05. A resolution authorizing the retention of counsel to file and prosecute a claim and/or action against Pristine Trucking, Brandon Newsom, and/or responsible parties arising from damage to Town Hall.

Lelan Taylor makes a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-05. Second by Rachel Davis.

Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Absent

District 3: Yes

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Ben Goldman: Resolution No. 2025-06. A resolution authorizing the superintendent of the Mulga water & Gas department to expend funds in relation to managing and maintaining the department and its services.

Lisa Armstrong makes a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-06. Second by Rachel Davis.

Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Absent

District 3: Yes

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Lelan Taylor motion to adjourn. Second Lisa Armstrong. All in favor.

District 1: Yes

District 2: Absent

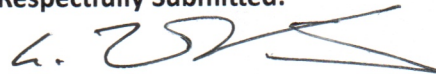
District 3: Yes

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

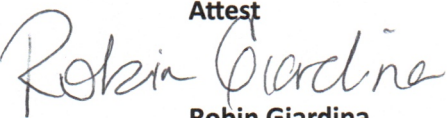
Mayor: Yes

Respectfully Submitted:



W. Keith Varner
Mayor

Attest



Robin Giardina
Town Clerk