

March 4, 2025

Pre-Council meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor W. Keith Varner at Mulga Town Hall.

Council members present: Jeremy Davis, Brenda Zinnerman, Lelan Taylor and Rachel Davis.

Council members absent: Lisa Armstrong.

Visitors: Amaris McCaleb and Jonathan Goodwin.

Invocation by Lelan Taylor, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

District 1: Nothing

District 2: Nothing

District 3: Absent

District 4: March 22nd is cleanup day.

District 5: The edge of the road on Lakeshore Drive is crumbling.

Mayor: February water loss is 16.66%.

The Vulcan Pest Control amount on the list of bills paid is incorrect.

Council meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor W. Keith Varner at the Mulga Town Hall.

Rachel Davis makes a motion to accept the 02/04/2025 council meeting minutes. Second by Lelan Taylor. Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

District 3: Absent

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Jeremy Davis makes a motion to approve the bills for payment minus the Vulcan Pest Control amount.

Second by Rachel Davis. Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

District 3: Absent

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

District 1: 127 Front Street has a lot of debris outside.

Mayor: We are working with her to get it cleaned up.

District 2: Nothing

District 3: Absent

District 4: What is the status on the house on Willow Ave?

Mayor: There will be possible litigation.

District 5: Can we clean out some of the ditches again?

Mayor: Yes, we cleaned out some today.

Johnathan Goodwin: Some volunteers went to the Explorer's Weekend at the Fire College in Tuscaloosa on February 22nd & 23rd. Dalton received several awards.

We are going to try to start a cadet program. I will be reaching out to Minor High School and other surrounding high schools.

2 Volunteers are going to be attending EMT school.

There were 14 calls in January. 8 of them didn't get responded to from our department.
There were 15 calls in February. 5 of them didn't get responded to from our department.

We are wanting to pay someone to be at the fire station everyday from 8am-8pm. The pay would be \$30 per day. This is open to any fire department volunteer that is over the age of 21 and that has the proper training hours.

Jeremy Davis: Who is the training officer?

Johnathan Goodwin: Gage Kelley

Mayor: Will the scheduled person be responsible for opening the storm shelter if needed?

Johnathan Goodwin: Yes

Mayor: How will this affect our insurance?

Johnathan Goodwin: It won't.

Rachel Davis: How many current volunteers would qualify?

Johnathan Goodwin: About 7 or 8.

Lee Taylor makes a motion to approve increasing the fire department budget by \$10,950 to cover the part time daily pay of \$30 per day. Second by Rachel Davis. Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

District 3: Absent

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Mayor: The estimate to repair the driveway on Lynn Drive that the water department had to cut is \$1500.00.

Lee Taylor makes a motion to approve \$1500.00 to repair the driveway on Lynn Drive. Second by Jeremy Davis. Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

District 3: Yes

District 4: Absent

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Rachel Davis makes a motion to enter executive session. Second by Jeremy Davis. Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

District 3: Absent

District 4: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Lee Taylor makes a motion to come out of executive session. Second by Rachel Davis. Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

District 3: Absent

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Rachel Davis makes a motion authorizing the mayor to negotiate with Verizon concerning the cell tower on the water tower. Second by Jeremy Davis. Roll Call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

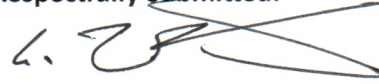
District 3: Absent

District 4: Yes

District 5: Yes

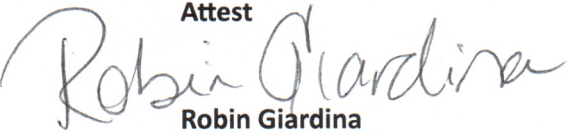
Lee Taylor makes a motion to adjourn. Second by Rachel Davis. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Keith Varner', written over a horizontal line.

W. Keith Varner
Mayor

Attest

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robin Giardina', written in a cursive style.

Robin Giardina
Town Clerk