

**CITY OF PINE LAKE  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
October 28, 2025 at 6:00PM  
Courthouse & Council Chambers  
459 Pine Drive, Pine Lake, GA 30072**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Hall called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Present: Mayor Brandy Hall, Mayor pro tem Bordeaux, Council Members Jeff Goldberg, Thomas Torrent, and Augusta Woods. Also present were City Manager Stanley Hawthorne, City Attorney Chris Balch, Chief of Police Sarai Y'Hudah-Green, Public Works Director Bernard Kendrick, Finance Director Paul Salvatore, and Acting City Clerk Ned Dagenhard. Council Member Tom Ramsey was not in attendance.

**Announcements and Communications**

Mayor Hall stated that changes had been preliminarily discussed regarding the City Council meeting schedule for the remainder of the year, and invited City Manager Hawthorne to elaborate further.

City Manager Hawthorne outlined the City's task list for the final months of 2025, citing completion of the 2024 audit, development and proposal of the 2026 budget, presentation and adoption of the classification and pay study, and the greenspace masterplan. Due to the 45-day requirement for presenting the 2026 budget, Mr. Hawthorne added, and in light of cancellation of a previously-scheduled meeting on November 11<sup>th</sup> (Veteran's Day), a Special Called meeting would be required for November 12<sup>th</sup>. Against other previously-scheduled meetings near the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's holidays; City Manager Hawthorne and Mayor Hall suggested an updated schedule, wherein all meetings for the remainder of the year would be cancelled, and instead Special Called Meetings would be set for November 12<sup>th</sup>, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, and December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor pro tem inquired about the expected delivery date of the 2024 audit report. City Manager Hawthorne stated that while he was hopeful the report would be delivered by December 9<sup>th</sup>, circumstances regarding personnel in the previous Finance Department had put the incoming Director, Paul Salvatore, at "a significant disadvantage." Mr. Hawthorne continued that the City now has "a completely different level of expertise and professionalism," but that Mr. Salvatore would require time to get caught up.

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**Swearing-in Ceremony**

- **Pine Lake Police Department Reserve Officer – Jordan Hayes**

Chief Y'Hudah-Green introduced Officer Jordan Hayes, highlighting his "[focus on] protecting the vulnerable and commitment to justice."

Officer Jordan Hayes took the oath of office; Mayor Hall presided.

No further action was taken.

**Adoption of the Agenda of the Day**

Council Member Woods moved to adopt the Agenda of the Day; Mayor pro tem Bordeaux seconded.

No discussion took place.

Mayor Hall called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

**Adoption of the Minutes**

- **September 30, 2025 – Regular Meeting**
- **October 14, 2025 – Work Session**

Council Member Goldberg moved to adopt the Minutes; Council Member Torrent seconded.

No discussion took place.

Mayor Hall called for a vote to approve the Minutes.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

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**Consent Agenda**

- 1. Resolution R-2025-63, Requesting Presentation of Methodology for Multifamily Housing Tax Assessment – DeKalb County Board of Assessors**
- 2. Resolution R-2025-64, Authorizing Official Signatures for Truist Bank Accounts**

Council Member Torrent moved to adopt the Consent Agenda; Mayor pro tem Bordeaux seconded.

No discussion took place.

Mayor Hall called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

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**Reports and Other Business**

**City Council**

Council Member Torrent announced that he and Council Member Goldberg would be holding a *Community Chat* at the Clubhouse (later relocated to Courthouse) on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mr. Torrent added that he would be attending the upcoming inaugural DeKalb Sports Commission meeting on October 30<sup>th</sup>, which had been developed ahead of the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

Council Member Goldberg announced that he and resident Mary Shuman would be acting as duplication and vote review panelists on behalf of Pine Lake for the upcoming DeKalb County Elections.

Mr. Goldberg continued with an update regarding ongoing conversations with the Georgia Forestry Commission, and a desire to reactivate the City's tree board to oversee implementation of a tree canopy management plan.

**Public Works**

Public Works Director Kendrick requested information on the Pine Lake Association for Involved Neighbors (PLAIN) holiday lighting event.

Mr. Kendrick also provided an update regarding work being done on a water main leak on Spring Drive, and an announcement that paving work would be paused during the Halloween holiday so as not to impede "trick or treating."

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux inquired as to whether lights were going to be installed along Rockbridge Road. Mr. Kendrick replied that while this was a future goal, DeKalb County approval would be required.

A brief exchange between Mr. Kendrick and Council Member Goldberg took place regarding whether Georgia Power's installation of new poles would impact availability of decorative fixtures mounted on old poles.

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**Adjournment**

Council Member Goldberg moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:34PM.

*Ned Dagenhard*

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Acting City Clerk