

**CITY OF PINE LAKE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 26, 2025 at 6:00 PM
Courthouse & Council Chambers
459 Pine Drive, Pine Lake, GA**

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

Present: Mayor Brandy Hall, Mayor pro tem Jean Bordeaux, Council Members Jeff Goldberg, Tom Ramsey, 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, and Acting City Clerk Ned Dagenhard. Finance Director Danny Lamonte was not in attendance.

Announcements/Communications

Mayor Hall announced her and City Manager Hawthorne had “tag-teamed” the recent Georgia Downtown conference, receiving information on economic development tools and development authorities.

The Mayor also stated that she and other members of the Governing Authority had attended the memorial service for DeKalb County Police Officer David Rose. Council member Goldberg added that it was “really moving” to see representation from law enforcement agencies across the United States.

Mayor Hall also welcomed candidates for City Council Deborah Hull and Jane Lower, audience attendees of the Regular Meeting. Council Member Goldberg added that he and Council Member Torrent had held a Community Chat in early August to discuss running for City Council, and that “two of those people are here [as] qualified candidates.”

Adoption of the Agenda of the Day

Council Member Woods moved to adopt the Agenda of the Day; Council Member Torrent seconded.

No discussion took place.

Mayor Hall called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

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Adoption of the Minutes

- **July 29, 2025 – Regular Meeting**
- **August 12, 2025 – Work Session**

Council Member Ramsey moved to adopt the Minutes; Mayor pro tem Bordeaux seconded.

No discussion took place.

Mayor Hall called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

New Business

1. Resolution R-2025-57, Budget Amendment – Public Works Sale of Surplus Equipment; Website/Agenda Module

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

City Manager Hawthorne explained the purpose of the budget resolution, which was to document revenue from surplus of Police and Public Works equipment and appropriate a portion of those funds for use in land development issues. Additional actions within the resolution appropriated funds for redevelopment of the City's website, and implementation of an updated agenda management tool.

Council Member Torrent noted the "net neutral" of surplus revenue and in-kind expenditures. Mayor Hall added commendation.

Council Member Goldberg expressed enthusiasm toward potential engagement of CivicPlus for website redevelopment services. Mr. Goldberg inquired about the professional services reappropriation. Acting City Clerk Dagenhard stated the line item increase would support land development investigation in the Ridge Drive "dead-end" near Ivy Road.

Mayor Hall called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

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2. Resolution R-2025-58, Authorizing Purchase of Website and Agenda Management Module

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux moved to adopt the Resolution; Council Member Goldberg seconded.

Acting City Clerk Dagenhard explained the process ahead regarding website redevelopment, and relayed the informal delivery date offered by CivicPlus of mid-November.

Mayor Hall called for a vote.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Reports and Other Business

Council Member Torrent stated that he and Council Member Goldberg had attended a DeKalb Municipal Association (DMA) meeting, which included appointment of Mr. Torrent as the City's 2026 World Cup Committee representative. Mr. Torrent added that annexation was also discussed, and he would like to learn more. Mayor pro tem Bordeaux stated that she maintains some research data collected ahead of the City's 2024 annexation.

City Attorney Balch and City Manager Hawthorne discussed the process of annexation.

Public Works Director Kendrick provided an update on the ongoing City Hall renovation project, adding that discovery of a galvanized pipe would require an extension of the facility closure.

Mayor pro tem Bordeaux inquired about Tennis and Pickle Ball Court administration. This inquiry was supported by Council Member Ramsey and Mayor Hall, with the latter suggesting the topic for the September 9th Work Session.

Council Member Goldberg added that he had inquired during the DeKalb Municipal Association (DMA) meeting whether other cities were experiencing issues regarding under-assessment of commercial and multi-family residential properties, and that the negative response was associated with a lack of observation, with some suggesting contacting the DeKalb County Tax Commissioner's Office.

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Executive Session

Council Member Torrent moved to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel at 6:29PM; Mayor pro tem Bordeaux seconded.

Mayor Hall called for a vote.

No discussion took place.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

The Executive Session took place.

Council Member Torrent moved to re-enter the Regular Meeting at 7:07PM; Council Member Ramsey seconded.

Mayor Hall called for a vote.

No discussion took place.

All members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Adjournment

Council Member Torrent moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:08PM.

Ned Dagenhard

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Acting City Clerk