



City of Clay, Alabama

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

City Hall Meeting Room – 2441 Old Springville Road

January 27, 2026

CALL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Jane Anderton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT

Mayor Jane Anderton

Council member Joseph “Jody” Harris

Council member Chris Nail

Council member Orletta Jackson-Rush, E.D.

Council member Nathan Thompson

Council member Carla Youngblood

INVOCATION

Council member Orletta Rush

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jane Anderton

APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES

Motion to approve Pre-Council and Regular Council Minutes from January 13, 2026, made by Council member Rush, Seconded by Council member Harris. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Motion to approve January 27, 2026, Meeting Agenda, made by Council member Rush, Seconded by Council member Youngblood. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA (Check Register)

Motion to approve January 27, 2026, Consent Agenda (Check Register), made by Council member Rush, Seconded by Council member Harris. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Anderton

Nothing additional from Pre-Council meeting

Council member Harris

Jefferson County Sheriff's Office (Sgt. Graham) gave a status report.

Center Point Fire District (Chief Dahlen) gave a status report.

Council member Nail

Announced the December 2025/January 2026 grants.

Clay-Chalkville Principal, Dr. Eugene Dallas, addressed the Council and asked for funding for football championship rings.

Council member Rush

Library Committee had their quarterly meeting earlier and the next scheduled meeting is April 28, 2026, which conflicts with ALM 2026 Convention. A new date will be set later.

Council member Thompson

Glad to see crowd at council meeting. Attended ALM Advocacy Day with Mayor Anderton and Council member Harris. The Deerfoot Parkway Dollar General is progressing well. Submit ideas for DYS property to dys@clayalabama.org.

Council member Youngblood

Met with auditor regarding the FY2024-2025 audit which is favorable and will be presented at the next council meeting.

READING OF PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, or COMMUNICATIONS

There was none.

PUBLIC HEARING

There was none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was none.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA (Resolutions)

Motion to enter unanimous consent and approve Consent Agenda (Resolutions), made by Council member Rush, Seconded by Council member Thompson. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution 2025-70: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a contract for Web Design Services

Motion to approve Resolution 2025-70 amended to include obtaining a current City of Clay business license, made by Council member Harris Seconded by Council member Rush. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

Resolution 2026-03: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Appoint a City Administrator/Treasurer

Mayor Anderton stated her appointment is Bradley Watson. Council member Harris made a motion to amend Resolution 2026-03 to approve Scott Collins as the City Administrator/Treasurer, Seconded by Council member Youngblood.

Motion to suspend the rules to allow discussion made by Council member Harris, seconded by Council member Youngblood. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council Nail, Council member Rush, Council Thompson, Council member Youngblood.

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-03 as amended for Scott Collins as City Administrator/Treasurer, made by Council member Harris Seconded by Council member Youngblood. Voting Yea: Council member Harris, Council member Nail and Council member Youngblood. Voting Nay: Mayor Anderton. Abstain: Council member Rush, Council member Thompson

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2026-06: A Resolution to Appoint a Council Representative to the Planning & Zoning Board

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-06 made by Council member Thompson, Seconded by Council member Nail. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

Resolution 2026-07: A Resolution Declaring City Property as Surplus

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-07 with amended vehicle list made by Council member Youngblood, Seconded by Council member Rush. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

Resolution 2026-08: A Resolution to Create a Finance Committee

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-08 made by Council member Rush, Seconded by Council member Nail. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush and Council member Youngblood. Voting Nay: Council member Thompson

Resolution 2026-09: A Resolution to Amend Resolution 2025-09

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-09 with amended vehicle list made by Council member Harris, Seconded by Council member Rush. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

Resolution 2026-10: A Resolution to De-Annex 2565 Sweeney Hollow Road (TPID 12-00-08-1-000-018.000)

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-10 Council member Rush, Seconded by Council member Nail for discussion.

Motion to table Resolution 2026-10 until February 10, 2026, meeting made by Council member Nail, Seconded by Council member Thompson. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

Resolution 2026-11: A Resolution to Allocate Matching Resources to Purchase Football Championship Rings

Motion to allocate resources (\$30,000) along with matching funds from the Clay-Pinson Chamber of Commerce for Clay-Chalkville High School Football Championship rings, made by Council member Harris, Seconded by Council member Nail.

Motion to suspend the rules of procedure in order to consider a newly presented expense, which is not included on the published agenda nor the FY2026 Budget, on the basis that it's always been done by Council member Nail, Seconded by Council member Harris. Voting Yea: Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood. Voting Nay: Mayor Anderton

First Reading: Motion to allocate resources (\$30,000) along with matching funds from the Clay-Pinson Chamber of Commerce for Clay-Chalkville High School Football Championship rings, made by Council member Harris, Seconded by Council member Thompson for discussion.

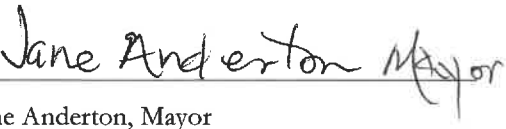
Motion to end Unanimous Consent made by Council member Nail.

ADJOURNMENT


Motion to adjourn made by Council member Harris, Seconded by Council member Thompson. Voting Yea: Mayor Anderton, Council member Harris, Council member Nail, Council member Rush, Council member Thompson and Council member Youngblood.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

The next Pre-Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 24th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall followed by the City Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.


Jane Anderton, Mayor

Attest:


Toshi Arbitelle, City Clerk