

The Lyerly Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at Lyerly Town Hall. Those in attendance were:

James Ferguson
Shirley Davis
Juanita Baker
Gwen Fisher

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ferguson at 7:00pm.

Camera Contract - Mayor Ferguson said that the first thing is, the contract on the cameras is up. He would like for the council to vote to cancel the contract and let him try to find someone else. Gwen Fisher made a motion to cancel our current contract and look further. Juanita Baker seconded. All in favor.

Worker's Compensation Insurance - Mayor Ferguson said that we got a quote from a new company through Tony Jones for Workers Compensation Insurance. It is lower than Georgia Municipal Association (GMA), but GMA also came down some. Juanita Baker asked which is the better company. Mayor Ferguson said that GMA does a lot more for us than just provide Workers Compensation Insurance. We lean on them for a lot of things. Shirley Davis asked if they have a good of a program as Tony does as far as helping. Mayor Ferguson said that we have never had any issues, but we have not had to use it a lot. Juanita Baker made a motion to stay with GMA. Shirley Davis seconded. All in favor.

ARPA Funds - Mayor Ferguson said that we have to designate how we will spend the rest of our COVID / ARPA funds by the end of this year. They must be completely spent by the end of 2026. Juanita Baker asked how much we have left. Mayor Ferguson said right at \$40,000. He told them he would like to spend it on the Ragland building. He thinks that if we make another event space out of it for now, we could rent it for what they charge for the depot in Summerville. Shirley Davis said that she thinks that's a good idea. Mayor Ferguson said that isn't in the budget. If we do it, we will have to amend the budget. Shirley Davis said that she thinks that building need to be finished, and we need to use it. She made a motion to use the APRA funds on the Ragland building. Juanita Baker seconded. All in favor. Mayor Ferguson said that he will try to get a round about cost and maybe we can get it finished in 2025. Shirley Davis asked what it needs. Mayor Ferguson said that the floor needs to be redone, it needs HVAC, plumbing, paint, electrical. It needs a lot.

2025 Budget – Mayor Ferguson said that everyone should have a budget. If anyone comes up with any questions, feel free to ask and we will approve at the next meeting.

Juanita Baker asked about Welcome to Lyerly signs. She asked if while we have some extra money, could we look back into that. Mayor Ferguson said yes.

Shirley Davis made the motion to adjourn. Juanita Baker seconded. All in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Mayor

Town Clerk