

Town of Carl
Town Council
Agenda - May 21, 2026 - 6:00 P.M.
Town Hall
1690 Carl Bethlehem Rd
Auburn, GA 30011
Town Council Regular Meeting



Attendee Name	Title	Status
Shannon Stinchcomb	Mayor	
Jason Allen	Mayor Pro Tem	
James Shedd	Council Member	
Rebecca Knight	Council Member	Call in at 6:00 In person 6:50
Frank Cheely	Council Member	
Ken Lewis	Town Attorney	
Christy Singley	Town Manager	
Guests:		
Ronnie Rogel		
Greg Allen		
Jason Jones		

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Shannon Stinchcomb at 6:05 PM

OPENING PRAYER: Mayor Shannon Stinchcomb

PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG: All

WELCOME GUESTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Stinchcomb welcomed guests and opened the meeting to public comment. Ronnie Rogel spoke about getting his business license at 1152 Atlanta Highway, and asked what he needed to do to make that happen. Greg Allen, the owner of 1159 Atlanta Highway, spoke to council about the potential re-zone of his property from C-1 to C-2 to accommodate lawnmower sales.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council Member Cheely made motion to approve the April minutes and Financial Reports. Council Member Allen made the second. Council Members Cheely, Shedd, and Allen voted yes. Council Member Knight abstained.

AMENDMENTS TO OLD OR NEW BUSINESS: None at this time.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Future Vision Committee: None at this time.

Historical Society Committee: The committee is gearing up for the July 4th celebration, and is asking people to get involved with building scarecrows with plastic bags. The Community Center in Winder on July 3rd will be open and have displays from the Barrow County Museum. It is Carl's turn to host the dinner this Fall, but if we are not ready, then it will be Winder, then Carl. We are looking for Carl related items.

Permitting, Zoning, & Code Enforcement Report: Mayor Stinchcomb presented the report for review. Clarification was provided on the abbreviations. It was brought up that Code Enforcement has not started ticketing anyone yet.

TSPLOST Report: Revenue of \$8755.39 this month, with disbursement of \$83,283.97 for the Paving of 4th Ave and East Ave last year. The remainder of the bill for that paving was paid out of LMIG funds.

SPLOST Recreation Report: Revenue of \$4733.08 this month, with disbursement of \$210.80 for tetherball and rope sets.

Financial Balances as of January 31, 2026:

TSPLOST: \$214,661.76
Disbursement: \$83,283.97

SPLOST: \$50,204.98
Disbursement: \$210.80

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Camera Bids

Council Member Cheely made a motion to table this item. Council Member Allen made second. Unanimous vote to table.

2. Bathroom Lock Bids & Bathroom Doors

Council Member Allen made a motion to table this item. Council Member Cheely made the second. Unanimous vote to table

3. Work Session Before Meeting

Council Member Knight made the suggestion to have a work session every other month on the 3rd Tuesday at 2:00 PM starting in June. Council Member Allen made a motion

to have the work session. Council Member Cheely seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. TextMyGov

Town Manager Singley presented TextMyGov, a service that allows our citizens to sign up to receive texts from the town. The service has automated weather alerts via National Weather Service / NOAA integration. TextMyGov can also send out texts for emergency alerts, public safety notices, road closures, town events, etc. Cost is \$2000 per year with a \$1000 set up fee and requires a 3 year contract. Council Member Allen made the motion to move forward with TextMyGov. Council Member Cheely seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Election of GMA District 5 Officers

The Town of Carl received a ballot to vote on GMA District 5 Officers, which has to be done as a city. Mayor Stinchcomb asked if council wanted to vote yes or no on the people nominated. Council Member Allen made the motion to vote yes. Council Member Cheely seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. BankOZK Account to add Positive Pay and convert account to Business Analysis Checking & Accept Credit Cards

Town Manager Singley informed the council that we had someone try to pass a fraudulent \$10,000 check on our operating account, then then a \$1000 ACH the following day, which means we have to either change the account number, or put extra precautions on the account. In order to keep the account, BankOZK requires the Town to have Business Online Checking with Treasury Services with Check Positive Pay and ACH Positive Pay on the affected account. The representative with BankOZK also did an Account Analysis, and suggested converting our operating account to Business Analysis Checking Checking, and our Money Market Account to an Earnings Analysis Checking in order to receive a high rate of return. Town Manager Singley also told the council that we are adding to our website the rental of the pavilion and would like to add credit card processing to how we take payment, and would like to change the rental fee to \$55. Council Member Allen made a motion to make the discussed changes to the bank accounts, add credit card processing and change the fee to \$55. Council Member Cheely seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. New Trash Cans and Stand Alone Water Fountain in Park

Mayor Stinchcomb stated this is not a voting issue, but he wanted to let the council know that he has four trash cans that were donated for the park. We just had to purchase the lids for the cans. Mayor Stinchcomb would like to replace the trash cans that are currently in the park with the new cans. Mayor Stinchcomb let the council know that he is also requesting bids from plumbers to put a stand alone water fountain in the park. Council Member Allen suggested that we get bids on a water fountain that has a

water bottle filler on it and a drinking fountain on the bottom for the dogs. Mayor Stinchcomb would also like to have quotes on grey slate chips around the pavilion.

5. A Carl Christmas

Town Manager Singley proposed having a Cookies with Santa event on Thursday, December 17 from 3-6 before the council meeting. We would like to hire Santa John of Georgia to do a reading to the kids in the library, then go outside to the post office and take pictures. Santa John is \$200/hour, but with 3 hours, he will bring his sleigh at no additional cost. Singley suggested that we contact local businesses to see if any would like to sponsor the event and be a part of it. Council Member Allen suggested we adopt a family or two for Christmas. The decision was made to call the event "A Carl Christmas." A committee will be formed that will be under the Future Visions Committee. Council Member Allen made the motion to have the event. Council Member Cheely seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Internet Upgrade

Town Manager Singley let the council know that an upgrade to our internet is needed in order to run the camera system with remote access. We need to have a secure stream vs wireless Internet. Prices will be around \$105-\$150 per month. We will ask the camera installer what his recommendation is regarding speeds, etc. This will be voted on at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jason Jones addressed the council regarding the possibility of receiving a variance on his property. He would like to subdivide his land for his son to have a mobile home, but needs a variance for the road frontage.

ADJOURN: Mayor Stinchcomb advised that the Council needs to adjourn into Executive Session. Council Member Allen made the motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Council Member Knight seconded the motion. Unanimous to adjourn to Executive Session.