

Regular Meeting Minutes—City of Plantersville
January 19, 2026

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas, met at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 19, 2025, in Plantersville Town Hall, 11335 Lodge Lane, Plantersville, Texas.

Members Present:

Kim Allphin, Mayor

John Greenwood, IV, Mayor Pro-Tem

Marilyn Bettes, Alderman

Absent: Dedrick Mallard, Alderman

Brett Bratcher, Alderman

Sandra Kuta, Alderman

Misty Hemminger, City Secretary

Visitors: Kobi and Valerie Buvinghausen, Chuck and Trenia Collins, Nancy Jane McMillan, PSVFD Assistant Chief Justin Corraera, Lt. Caitlin Corraera, Commissioner Dave Tullos, and Keatha Brown

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Quorum established. Mayor Allphin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Allphin gave the invocation and the pledges led by Alderman Bettes.
2. **Approve Minutes** of Regular Meeting December 15, 2025
Motion to Approve: Alderman Marilyn Bettes
Second: Alderman Brett Bratcher
Voting: Yes: Unanimous
Final Resolution: Motion carries
3. **Public Comments:** No Public Comments
4. **Discuss/Consider/Approve: Review and Payment of invoices and items currently due and payable**
Payment of invoices and items currently due and payable
Discussion: Review of Dues and Payables presented to the Board of Alderman with copies of financial records with bank standings, investment, and sales & use tax receipts with mixed beverage allocation.
Motion to Approve: Alderman John Greenwood
Second: Alderman Brett Bratcher
Voting: Yes. Unanimous
Final Resolution: Motion carries
5. **Discuss: PSVFD Report and concerns:** Lieutenant Caitlin Corraera shared the activity report, noting call volume and training updates. Assistant Chief Justin Corraera reported on the smoke alarm installation program, offered at no cost to residents through a partnership with American Red Cross. He announced the upcoming steak dinner fundraiser on May 8th and shared photographs of an electrical fire, expressing concerns regarding fire code compliance.
6. **Discuss/consider/approve: General City Road Maintenance in City, Repair and Status of County Road 203 and County Road 311**
Discussion: Mayor Allphin announced that a kickoff meeting for the drainage and mitigation grant approved would take place this week. She stated that the city's pavement reconstruction contract was underway with bid proposals. She expressed optimism that the project would allow the city to address maintenance needs and provide relief to the county by improving overall road conditions. Mayor Allphin also reported that a TxDOT supervisor will visit the Post Office at the intersection of Highway 1774 and indicated that TxDOT may assist with 20 to 30-foot roadway improvements, including paving or installing sections to improved access at the entrances. Alderman Greenwood reported that bids are expected to be reviewed and awarded at the February meeting. Regarding right-of-way clearing, he stated that he had contacted Road and Bridge and would coordinate with their contractor to identify areas along County Roads 203, 311 and other locations.
Motion: no action taken, discussion only
7. **Discuss/consider/approve: GLO Street Mit-Mod Grant Project 24-065-080-735 Old Schoolhouse Rd/Legge Rd Status, Easement and Updates**
Discussion: Mayor Allphin reported on the status of the project, stating coordination meetings are ongoing with GrantWorks, Bleyl Engineering, and the General Land Office. She noted that the

environmental review remains pending; however, required public notices were posted on January 14th on the city website and at the city office. An affidavit is scheduled for completion in February

Motion: no action taken, information only

8. **Discuss/consider/approve: TDA 2025 2026 Community Development Grant Project Application CDV25-0218 County Road 203 Status, Easement and Updates**

Discussion: Mayor Allphin reported that the City was awarded a \$750,000 Texas Department of Agriculture Community Grant to address drainage and flooding issues along County Road 203. Notification of the award was received around Thanksgiving, and a kickoff meeting to review requirements is scheduled for this week.

Motion: no action taken, information only

9. **Discuss/consider/approve: GLO Community Resilience Planning Grant Comprehensive Planning Application 100759-AA Status, additional notices and completed updates**

Discussion: Mayor Allphin reported that the City is currently working with the General Land Office on the Community Resilience Planning Grant in the amount of \$200,000 that was awarded. She noted that a couple of town hall meetings will be held soon.

Motion: no action taken, information only

10. **Discuss/consider/approve: Discuss/Consider/Approve. GLO Community Resilience Planning Grant Project Manager Request for Town Hall Public Meeting date as soon as possible, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm, this is the initial meeting regarding development and planning with displays provided.**

Mayor Allphin informed of the upcoming plans for town hall public meetings and community surveys designed to gather resident input. Residents will be able to ask questions, review data, and share feedback regarding priorities and concerns. Surveys will be available both online and in printed form, with assistance available through the City office. The public meeting will be informational only. No City business will be deliberated, and no action will be taken by the council during these sessions. The purpose of the outreach is to ensure community voices into the resilience plan. Public notice will be provided once dates are finalized.

Motion: no action taken, discussion only

11. **Discuss/Consider: Discuss/Consider/Approve: Voluntary Annexation Guidelines and Research for adjacent and ETJ limits**

Mayor Allphin introduced the topic of voluntary annexation, noting that several landowners had recently contacted the City expressing interest in being annexed into the city limits. The requests are voluntary and are not initiated by the City. Mayor Allphin provided information regarding guidance from the City attorney. It was agreed by the council that establishing a process would help avoid repeated requests and allow the City to address the issue in an orderly manner. This matter will be revisited once written expressions of interest are received and reviewed.

Motion: no action taken, discussion only

12. **Discuss Items of Community Interest (no action may be discussed, except to put on the agenda)- Recent and Upcoming Events**

The City of Plantersville announced several upcoming community events, including the Grimes County Go Texan Day this Saturday; the State of the County on January 29; the Regan Dinner on February 21; St. Mary's Fish Fry on March 6; the Strawberry Festival on March 21; The Fire Departments Steak Dinner on May 8; St. Joseph's Alter Society Stew Supper in March; and the Crawfish Festival on April 25.

13. **Closed Session-Board went into closed session at 7:48p.m.**

The Aldermen meet in closed session pursuant to the Texas Government Code Chapter 551- Discuss real estate matters, possible city office lease.

14. **Open Session**

Return to open meeting at 8:23 p.m.

15. **Adjourn meeting at 8:24 p.m.**

Approved:

Kim Alphin

Kim Alphin, Mayor

Date: 7-14-26

Attest:

Misty Hemminger

Misty Hemminger, City Secretary

Date: 7-16-26