

City of Centerville City Council Meeting on September 18, 2025

The Centerville City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building Meeting Room. Council members present were Michael Cannain, Charlie Shafer, Bobby Walters and Rebecca Smith. Sue Sandel and Mayor Noal Ray Goolsby were not in attendance. Mayor Pro-Tem Bobby Walters, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and a quorum was established.

Public Comments: N/A

Charlie Shafer made a motion to approve the August 6, 2025 regular meeting minutes as presented. Michael Cannain gave the second to this motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Michael Cannain moved with the first motion to approve the August 12, 2025 work session/budget meeting minutes as presented. Charlie Shafer added a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Rebecca Smith opened with a motion to approve the August 20, 2025 special called meeting minutes as presented. Michael Cannain gave the second to this motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Rebecca Smith gave the first motion to approve the August 27, 2025 work session/budget meeting minutes as presented. Charlie Shafer followed with a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Mrs. Shelly Payne was in attendance representing the Centerville Arts Commission's Christmas Market. This event will take place the weekend of December 13, 2025. She said there will be between 35-40 vendors set up at the Leon County Courthouse Square. There will be activities for the kids such as a petting zoo, train rides, face painting, etc. Ms. Shelly requested the city supply and set up traffic cones on side streets of the Courthouse (North Cass, Main Street, North Commerce) as they do each year. She also asked if the city would be able to arrange for public trash receptacles through the city's waste provider. Charlie Shafer expressed a motion to approve Ms. Shelly's demands in assistance with setting up traffic cones in the designated areas and having trash receptacles available for the parade and festivities. Michael Cannain provided a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

The current Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Recipients presented their 2024/2025 fiscal year expenditures and their 2025/2026 fiscal year budgets.

Michael Cannain introduced the first motion approving the Chamber of Commerce's reports. Charlie Shafer replied with a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Michael Cannain volunteered a motion approving the July Fourth Committee's reports. Charlie Shafer agreed to a second motion. Motion Carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Charlie Shafer supplied a motion agreeing to discuss the Leon County Expo Center's reports at the November 2025 City Council Meeting. Rebecca Smith continued with a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

The city's 2025/2026 fiscal year budget was discussed. Rebecca Smith supported the first motion approving the new budget with revisions made to line items in regards to the Centerville Volunteer Fire Department (CVFD). The CVFD's fuel bills, their Property & Liability and their Workers' Compensation policies will no longer be paid for by the City of Centerville. The City however, will continue to cover telephone and utility (electric, gas, water) expenses for the CVFD. The City will continue to pay salaries to the volunteer firemen for calls and drills, but the salaries will only include calls and drills made within the Centerville city limits. Michael Cannain furnished a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Michael Cannain granted the first motion approving Charles Nash to be the City's nominee for the Leon Central Appraisal District Board of Directors. Charlie Shafer agreed to a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Rebecca Smith offered the first motion approving an Ordinance setting the proposed Property Tax Rate at .317662 for the 2025 tax year. Charlie Shafer supported a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

There was discussion only in regards to presenting a letter to the Centerville Volunteer Fire Department (CVFD) explaining financial changes for future fiscal years. This will be addressed at a future meeting pending decisions made by the Leon County Emergency Service District #1 at their 2025/2026 budget meeting.

Michael Cannain gave the first motion to approve the Centerville Economic Development Board's 2025/2026 fiscal year budget. Rebecca Smith replied with a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Rebecca Smith donated the first motion approving Charlie Shafer to act as a newly appointed Economic Development Board member. Michael Cannain continued with a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

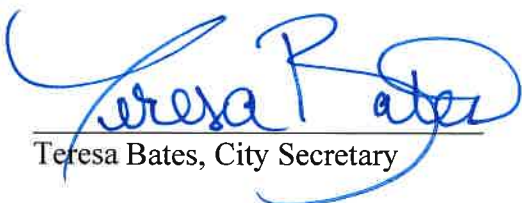
Rebecca Smith submitted the first motion to approve Resolution #09-10-2025 approving a negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee and Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division regarding the company's 2025 Rate Review Mechanism (RRM) filing. Charlie Shafer entertained a second motion. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

There was discussion in regards to a Structural Assessment Report from the MRB Group for the Municipal Building Meeting Room's sagging ceiling and what the answer/plan is to remedy the situation. This will be addressed at a future meeting once more information has been collected. *See attached report.

Motion to approve employee time sheets for the month of August 2025 was furnished by Michael Cannain. Second to this motion came from Charlie Shafer. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Motion to pay the bills was first given by Charlie Shafer and was then seconded by Michael Cannain. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent

Motion to adjourn at 9:14 p.m. was given by Charlie Shafer and was seconded by Michael Cannain. Motion carried 3 ayes 0 noes and 2 absent



Teresa Bates, City Secretary



Noal Ray Goolsby, Mayor