



The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in regular session on Monday, October 13th, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Harold Bufe, Eva Cortez, Gary Stephenson, Matt Speer, Tammy Mahan, and Bilinda Prater. Also present were City Staff including Julie Arrington, Krista Adames, Cindy Tapia, and Dwain Read. Members of the public are on the attached sign in sheet.

Minutes

1. Call to Order
Mayor Bufe called the meeting to order.
2. Establishing Quorum
A quorum was established.
3. Welcome Guests
Mayor Bufe welcomed the guest.
4. Invocation
Jared Randall gave the invocation.
5. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag
Mayor Bufe led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
6. Texas Pledge – “Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.”
Mayor Bufe led the Texas Pledge.
7. Public Comment (non-action)
No public comments were offered.
8. Review/Approval Minutes of the Previous City Council Meeting
Councilman Stephenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Councilman Speer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
9. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports
Councilwoman Mahan made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
10. Public Hearing
 - a. Fee Ordinance
Mayor Bufe opened the public hearing at 6:36 P.M. No comments were offered. Mayor Bufe closed the public hearing at 6:37 P.M.
 - b. Collection agreement with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins, and Mott, LLP
Mayor Bufe opened the public hearing at 6:37 P.M. No comments were offered. Mayor Bufe closed the public hearing at 6:37 P.M.
11. Discussion/Action Items
 - a. Consider Approval of Ordinance 652 - Adopting Fee Ordinance
Councilman Stephenson made a motion to table to the November meeting. Councilman Speer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
Councilwoman Mahan made a motion to have a Fee Schedule workshop meeting on October 22, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - b. Consider Approval of Ordinance 653 - Adopting Fence Ordinance
Councilwoman Mahan made a motion to approve Ordinance 653 adopting the Fence Ordinance. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - c. Consider Approval of Ordinance 654 - Amending Chapter 13 Article 6 Cross Connection Control and Backflow Prevention
Councilman Stephenson made a motion to approve Ordinance 654 Amending Chapter 13 Article 6 Cross

Connection Control and Backflow Prevention. Councilman Speer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

- d. Consider Approval of Resolution 101325 - Surplus Library Books
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve Resolution 101325. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
- e. Consider Approving Perdue Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott, LLP Collection Agreement
Councilman Stephenson made a motion to approve the agreement with Perdue Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott, LLP. Councilman Speer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
- f. Consider Contract renewal with Verkada – City Hall Alarms and Cameras
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve the renewal with Verkada. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
- g. Consider approval of the replacement of computers and doc stations for the police department vehicles
Councilwoman Mahan made a motion to approve the replacement of computers and doc stations for the police department vehicles. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/1 With Councilman Stephenson voting against.
- h. Discussion and Direction on creating an Animal Control Policy
Died for lack of motion.
- i. Discussion and Direction to allow a Carnival to use City Property
Council discussed and directed City Administrator Julie Arrington to allow the carnival to use city property with the location at her discretion.
- j. Discussion and Direction on hiring a contract city engineer
Council discussed and directed City Administrator Julie Arrington to move forward with hiring a contract city engineer.

12. Administrative reports:

City Administrator Julie Arrington gave her report on the following items.

- a. Chamber of Commerce
- b. Holidays
- c. Update on Durango- Police Department
- d. National Night Out
- e. Training

13. Mayor and Council remarks

Mayor and Council gave their remarks.

14. Adjournment

Councilwoman Cortez made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

Mayor Harold Bufe

ATTEST

Krista Adames, City Secretary