**The Athens City Council Meeting**

**Tuesday February 18, 2025**

The City of Athens Council met for a regularly scheduled council meeting on Tuesday February 18, 2025. Mayor Chris Reichert called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The roll call indicated that Alderman Amy Chernowsky, Alderman Kevin Puma, Alderman Rachel Lantz, Alderman Greg Hoffman, and Alderman Angella Thompson were present. Alderman Leinberger was absent.

All present participated in the pledge of allegiance.

Monica Brumm gave the office manager’s report and discussion was had on customer with water leak requesting credit.

Discussion was had on setting a public meeting to discuss possible annexation of property into city limits. The date was set for March 26, 2025, from 6-8 pm.

Discussion was had on new committees, will be checking into seeing if can combine different committees together.

Discussion was had on making changes to the liquor ordinance to allow Class A licensees can sell package liquor starting at 8 am and to strike certain rules in the ineligibility section of the ordinance.

 Discussion was had donation for new computers for the library.

Discussion was had on the cost and date for the fireworks display.

A date was set for the budget workshop, April 3rd at 6 pm to work on budgets and approval of the budgets will be April 14th.

Discussion was had on the bid for the master plan for the park. The council will put on hold for right now to see if there are other options before moving forward.

A motion was made by Alderman Thompson and seconded by Alderman Chernowsky to approve the treasurer, public works, police, library, and office managers reports. Motion was roll called all present in favor voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Chernowsky and seconded by Alderman Hoffman to approve the paying of bills. Motion was roll called all present in favor voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Lantz and seconded by Alderman Hoffman to approve the meeting minutes from Committee Meeting 01/09/25, and Council Meeting 01/13/25, Motion was roll called all present in favor voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Chernowsky and seconded by Alderman Lantz to approve the date of July 5, 2025, for city fireworks.

A motion was made by Alderman Puma and seconded by Alderman Hoffman to approve promotion and raise for Officer Zillion to Sargent.

A motion was made by Alderman Thompson and seconded by Alderman Chernowsky to approve a donation of $2500 to the library for the purchase of new computers.

**Public Comment:**

No public comment

**Mayor’s Comments:**

None

A motion was made by Alderman Lantz to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.