



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ETNA CITY COUNCIL**  
**Monday November 24, 2025**

Members of the Etna City Council met on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of November in person and TELECONFERENCE (Zoom). Mayor Cliff Munson called the meeting to order and led in the salute to the flag of the United States of America.

**1. Call to Order:**

**a. Roll Call**

Council members John Stacher, Matt Eastlick, and Mayor Cliff Munson were present. Councilmember Brandon Fawaz and Jason Deppen were absent.

**2. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:**

None.

**3. Consent Calendar:**

**a. Invoice Approvals**

Councilmember Stacher made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Councilmember Eastlick seconded, and the motion passed.

**Ayes: Stacher, Eastlick, Munson**

**4. Public Hearing:**

**a. Zoning Code Update – Introduction and First Reading of Draft Ordinance 230 Amending Title 17, Zoning of the Etna Municipal Code**

City Planner Richard Tinsman was on Zoom and gave a background on the project. Mayor Munson opened the Public Hearing. Councilmember Stacher had questions about 642 Main Street, which is a sizeable empty lot that is zoned as high density residential. More discussion. Audience members Andy Brown shared comments regarding zoning and high density residential (R3.) Audience members Ed and Suzie Green also shared comments.

Tinsman explained land uses verse zoning. Tinsman suggested continuing with the current zoning code update and moving forward with the first reading. The Council can contact the property owner of 642 Main Street and inform them of the zoning project. Tinsman also explained that the documents are “living documents” that can be changed in the future.

Mayor Munson read the motion to introduce Ordinance 230 Amending Title 17, Zoning, of the Etna Municipal Code. Councilmember Stacher made a motion to approve. Councilmember Eastlick seconded, and the motion passed.

**Ayes: Stacher, Eastlick, Munson**

**5. Current Business:**

**a. Adopt Resolution 2025-010 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Etna Amending the General Plan Introduction, Land Use Element, and Safety Element, and Adopting the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan by Reference**

Councilmember Eastlick made a motion to approve, Councilmember Stacher seconded, and the motion passed.

**Ayes: Stacher, Eastlick, Munson**

**b. Swear in Jacob Deegan as the New Etna Fire Chief**

Fire Chief Clint Whitchurch introduced Jacob Deegan and gave his recommendation for the position. Mayor Munson complimented the department on all the improvements that have been made. Mayor Munson swore in Jacob Deegan as the new Fire Chief.

**c. Continued: Discussion On Seeking New Ambulance Replacement**

Ambulance Director Teresa Arrwood updated the Council. Nothing new has happened. She has been working on donations and will be contacting another leasing company. More discussion on fundraising. No action taken.

**d. Discuss/Approve Designating Fire Engine 1412, and Ambulance M56 as Surplus**

Councilmember Stacher made a motion to approve Fire Engine 1412, and Ambulance M56 as surplus, Councilmember Eastlick seconded. This item will need to be done by resolution at a future meeting. More discussion on the history of Engine 1412. No action taken.

**6. Department Reports:**

Police Chief Josh Short was not present. City Clerk Pamela Eastlick gave his report. The department has been very busy preparing for the PAL Christmas party.

Public Works Director Dan Burbank reported that they have been getting ready for the PAL party. The town tree is in and is a traditional tree this year. Burbank has been completing some continuing education requirements regarding water. They will be working on potholes soon. They closed the park for winter and winterized the pool.

Fire Chief Jacob Deegan provided a written report. Mayor Munson commented on how clean the fire department is. Deegan is planning on opening the Fire Hall for the PAL Christmas party.

Ambulance Director Teresa Arrwood provided a written report. The department has been busy. She has 14 registered students for the upcoming EMT class. Arrwood thanked the Council for listening to staff concerns. Arrwood also shared that she received a thank you letter for a recent call that saved a person's life due to their quick response.

City Clerk Pamela Eastlick reported that she has been continuing to work on the 2021/2022 audit and has been working late and on Saturdays. City Hall will be closed at noon on Wednesday and closed on Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Stacher asked about CDBG monies and whether they can be used for resurfacing the pool. Friends of the Pool is planning on fundraising for the project. Clerk Eastlick explained that the priority was the Museum project. More discussion on Program Income money and uses.

Mayor Munson reported that he was recently asked about occupancy on a property on Main Street. Mayor Munson also thanked Director Arrwood.

**7. City Council Statements and Requests:**

Clerk Eastlick stated that the High Hazard Severity map will be on the next agenda, as well as the second reading of Ordinance 230.

**8. Closed Session:**

**a. Public Employment – Appointment (Pursuant to Government Code §54957)**

**1. Ambulance Department Appointment – EMT Volunteer**

The City Council unanimously approved hiring an EMT volunteer to the Ambulance Department.

**9. Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Mayor Cliff Munson adjourned the meeting at 6:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Bennett  
Asst. City Clerk