

**Town of Alto  
Regular Meeting  
March 10, 2026  
Minutes**

**Those in attendance:**

**Gail Armour, Mayor  
Eddie Palmer, Pro-tem  
John Smith, Post 1  
James Turner, Post 2  
Allen Fox, Post 3  
Debbie Turner, Post 5  
Sean Rogers, Interim Chief  
Skylier Coalley, Interim Supervisor  
Lisa Turner, CFO/HR  
Penny Rogers, Town Clerk**

**A work session was held at 6:00 concerning current issues and projects: increase in fees were discussed and an effective date; David Turpin has resigned from his position due to health issues and Robert Gutowski was asked to cover inspections, his fee is \$60 hour; CFO Lisa Turner handed out balance sheets and explained numbers; grant request from GEFA for Helene Relief has approved SCADA project and storage tanks; Mayor Armour informed Officials that the festival involves a lot of work that requires overtime therefore it will be cancelled this year; Jesse Shirks was introduced to the Officials as the new hire; Skylier Coalley gave update on trucks and stated that a dump truck is most needed right now; police vehicles are now paid off; discussion of possible lease programs to get a dump truck.**

**The meeting was then called to order by Mayor Gail Armour. The invocation was delivered by Eddie Palmer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**The agenda was presented to the Council for approval. Councilman James Turner made a motion to approve. Councilman Allen Fox seconded the motion.**

**Approved by all.**

**Councilwoman Debbie Turner made a motion to accept the minutes from February 10, 2026. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. Approved by all.**

**New Business:**

**Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to approve the rate changes as discussed with an effective date of the April cycle: water will increase by \$1 across the board, garbage \$2 across the board, inspections up to \$75, minimum permits up to \$75, busted meter fee up to \$350. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion.**

**Approved by all.**

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Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment Resolution 2025-2026. Councilwoman Debbie Turner seconded the motion. Councilman Allen Fox asked if this could be put on pause until after the Executive Session due to confusion of the resolution. Mayor Armour read the Resolution. After a discussion, Councilwoman Debbie Turner rescinds her second. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer then made a motion to table this matter. Councilman Allen Fox seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Councilman James Turner made a motion to exit meeting and enter Executive Session pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-14-03(6) pertaining to Personnel. Councilwoman Debbie Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Officials left the room at 7:35pm.

Officials came back into the room at 9:13pm.

Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to re-enter the meeting. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Old Business: None

Recommendations from Officers, Departments, and Attorneys:

Interim Chief Sean Rogers presented the monthly PD and Probation reports for February.

Mayor Armour stated that the Spring Fling festival has been cancelled for this year and will be reconsidered for next year.

Public comments:

Margaret Beaupre, 426 Wade St, asked about the status of the tree and road issue on Wade Street stating that it is very dangerous. Mayor Armour told her that it is scheduled to be removed and plans for the road fixture are in the works. Mrs. Beaupre then asked about the complaint forms she turned in that haven't been resolved. She was told that a new code enforcer is beginning to work on them now.

Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman John Smith seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 pm.

Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny Rogers  
Town Clerk