

MINUTES
AMERICUS CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2025 – 6:00 PM
CITY HALL

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Dustin Wright. Council members present were NUESSEN, HARMON, HINRICHES, HAMLIN and BURTON. Also present was City Clerk Dodie Doudna. City Maintenance Nick Gadino was present at 6:04 pm.

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Tim Burton, Cindy Kearns, Jerry Voorhees, Angie Brotz, Tami Romeis, Shawn Swanson, Shawna Swanson, Tyler Hinrichs, Jarom Smith, and Danny Gerleman.

ADOPT THE AGENDA: Moved by NUESSEN to adopt the agenda. Motion seconded by HAMLIN. 5-0 vote.

1. **Temporary Use Permit: Harper Homes; Mobile Home Park:** Tim Burton speaking on behalf of Harper Homes stated that the temporary use permit should have been part of the agenda from the meeting prior and would like for it to be extended until this issue is resolved. Burton stated that he was upset over the working draft revisions of the ordinance in question. Burton states he was made to go Planning and Zoning to get the ordinance changed, stated no one voted on that change at all and ignored it. Burton stated that bylaws of the city state that council should only vote on the ordinance not to write one themselves. He would like this permit extended so everyone can have the time to educate themselves and vote on the ordinance that those who are supposed to write the ordinances wrote. HAMLIN responded that an ordinance was not newly written just changes that were discussed in the December 2nd work session. She also stated that we were not here to talk about the ordinance only the permit issue.

HAMLIN motioned to extend the permit 25 more days until January 16, 2026. NUESSEN seconded the motion. HINRICHES asked for clarification on a point that WRIGHT made in the last meeting before she voted to extend. HINRICHES wanted to know why she should extend the permit when WRIGHT wouldn't want someone staying in a camper next to his home for more than 30 days. WRIGHT stated that different rules apply to mobile home park was his reasoning for that statement. HARMON asked if anyone else in the audience had anything else to say. BURTON spoke more on the mobile home park having different rules. HAMLIN redirected back to the motion of extending the permit and call for a vote. HAMLIN motioned to extend the temp use permit for 25 days. NUESSEN seconded. 2-0-3 BURTON, HINRICHES, and HARMON abstained. Motion failed. HINRICHES motioned to extend the permit until January 5, 2026. HAMLIN seconded. 3-0-2 vote. BURTON and HARMON abstained.

Motioned to adjourn at 6:15 pm. by HAMLIN. Motion seconded by HINRICHES. 5-0 Vote

Dustin R. Wright, Mayor

Lea Hamlin, Council President

Nicky Nuessen

Britney Hinrichs

Kayla Burton

Bill Harmon