

SUMMARY
ADRIAN MAYOR & COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 2024 AT 6:00PM
ADRIAN ANNEX, 107 NORA BLVD., ADRIAN, GA 31002

- I. **Call Meeting to Order: Mayor Smith** called the meeting to order at 6:00PM
- II. **Meeting Purpose: Disaster Relief Updates & Announcements** - Mayor Smith stated that many of the resources are being donated because of the interview she did with 13WMAZ, and through word of mouth. Many churches are providing meals and support during this time. The Mayor acknowledged the constant support from the Adrian Fire Department, the Waymakers Community Group, and others. Stated that it was good to have the outpouring of support when it was really needed. We can get anything done if we work together.

Assistance Received from:

Adrian Fire Dept – Waters, tarps, MREs

Waymakers Community Group – water, food, tarps, toiletries kits

American Red Cross – meals and water

FEMA – possibility of up to \$42500 in reimbursements for damages. Take good pics, file on insurance, and save receipts. Individual assistance can be applied for through FEMA portal. Possibility of reimbursement through FEMA: Fuel and generators purchased, food, freezers, and possibly unemployment.

Emanuel County Commissioners – agreed to match cities amount for cleanup efforts, water, tarps

Private Citizens

Businesses

Georgia National Guard – Clearing of roadways, water

Johnson County Commissioners

Pilot – Flying in supplies

Mayor Smith acknowledged that the city needs to re-evaluate processes. Ellen Palmer asked the Mayor if the city has an emergency plan for the city. Mayor Smith advised the City does not have an emergency plan, that the City relies on the County. The mayor would like to see the Community Center used as an emergency shelter in future situations, but a plan needs to be put together.

Andy Johnson announced that the Red Cross was currently on the way to the community center with meals and would be there between 7-7:30. Mr. Johnson recognized the Fire Dept, for the job that they had done. He mentioned that no law enforcement was present when it was needed, and stated that there are some things that need to be changed.

Jeannie Miller inquired if all 4 Facebook pages Adrian could be updated with important info. Those pages are at times people's only source of info. The Mayor advised that Jennifer has been posting on all the pages. It was advised that the boil water advisory had been lifted.

Judy Garman inquired why the siren on the City's sign did not go off. The Mayor inquired if Ms. Garman received anything for Code Red, and she advised no. The Mayor advised CM Suzanne Hutchinson to follow up regarding alerts.

Zelda Sumner recognized the amazing job done by the Fire Department and other individuals. Ms. Sumner stated that it should have been mandatory for city workers to be working on Friday helping to clean up. She further stated that if the Chief of Police cannot prioritize Adrian, then he doesn't need to be Police Chief. Adrian needs to be their priority.