

**Mayor**  
Debi Krause

**City Clerk**  
Denise Peters



**Council Members**  
Christine Bogenrieder  
Frank Burnette  
Lee Patterson  
Scott Penn  
Tim Terilli

**STATHAM FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING – MARCH 21, 2024 3:00 P.M.**

**Members Present:** Chairperson Lee Patterson, Tim Terilli, Mark Smith, Gary Venable.

Others in attendance: Mayor Debi Krause, City Administrator Cheryl Venable, City Accountant Rachel Bemby, Police Chief Ira Underwood, City Councilmember Frank Burnette, Karine Brooms, Michael Hood, Mandy Wallaa.

**Members Absent:** None.

**1. Call to Order**

Chairperson Lee Patterson called the meeting to order at 3:02 PM.

**2. Minute Approval**

Tim Terilli made a motion to approve the February 22, 2024 minutes. Mark Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**3. Discuss the Current 2023-2024 Budget.**

Members Gary Venable, Mark Smith, Tim Terilli, Lee Patterson discussed line items of the 2023-2024 budget with City Accountant Rachel Bemby. Explanations of revenues and expenditures and the 2023 audit were provided by Rachel Bemby. Chief Ira Underwood discussed requested increases for the police department's 2024-2025 budget. Chief Ira Underwood discussed a proposal to purchase property from Bank OZK on Atlanta Highway in Statham. All in attendance discussed decreases and increases of the Police Department's budget requests and also discussed the property proposal. No votes were taken on these discussions.

**ADJOURN**

At 5:35 PM Gary Venable made a motion to adjourn. Tim Terilli seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.