



**AGENDA  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2025  
5:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL**

CALL TO ORDER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
INVOCATION  
ROLL CALL

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2025
2. PUBLIC INPUT (LIMIT 2 MINUTES PER PERSON) AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - A. CONSIDERATION OF PAYMENT TO SOUTHERN PIPE & SUPPLY FOR THE PURCHASE OF WATER METERS
  - B. CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR NEW LADDER TRUCK
4. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 25-10 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR ACEDP GRANT FUNDS
  - B. CONSIDERATION OF PAYMENT TO GREG'S TOO CAR CARE CENTER FOR REPAIR OF POLICE K9 VEHICLE
5. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS
6. CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT
7. ANNOUNCEMENTS
8. PUBLIC INPUT (LIMIT 2 MINUTES PER PERSON) NON-AGENDA ITEMS
9. ADJOURN

***City of Barling***  
***Board of Directors***

September 9, 2025

The City of Barling Board of Directors met for a regular meeting on September 9, 2025 at City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Murray. Director Parker led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Murray gave the invocation. Directors in attendance were Aaron Roe, John Maness, James Davis, Marcia Parker, Ken Colley, Bill Young, and Ron Sharum. Also present were City Administrator Steve Core, City Administrator Assistant Kim Stark, Fire Chief Tommy Sizemore, Police Chief Bryan Fuller, Finance Director Megan Griffin, and Code Enforcement Officer Joe Kaelin.

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 26, 2025**

Mayor Murray requested a motion to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2025 regular meeting of the Board of Directors. A motion was made by Director Colley to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Director Sharum. The motion carried.

**2. PUBLIC INPUT (LIMIT 2 MINUTES PER PERSON) AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

None

**3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**5. FINANCIAL REPORT**

Finance Director Griffin presented the financial report to the board. Director Young inquired about sales taxes. Director Griffin stated that sales taxes will be lower for the year, but the city will not be in a deficit.

**6. CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

Administrator Core reported that the Planning Commission approved the preliminary plans for Phase 2 of The Prairie at Chaffee Crossing. He added that the FCRA Trust still has some questions regarding the project that include the position of the detention pond, a sidewalk, and air conditioning screening.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cruise Night will be in November  
Planning for the Christmas Parade has begun

**8. PUBLIC INPUT (LIMIT 2 MINUTES PER PERSON)**

None

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made by Director Sharum and was seconded by Director Maness.  
Motion carried.

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Mayor, Greg Murray

Attest:

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City Clerk, Florene Brown



# Memo

**Date:** September 18, 2025  
**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** City Administrator  
**RE:** Consideration of Payment to Southern Pipe & Supply for Water Meters

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Please find attached, a payment to Southern Pipe & Supply for the purchase of 200 water meters. The total cost is \$66,576.00. Recommend approval of the payment.

Steve Core/City Administrator



# Water/Sewer O & M Fund

P.O. Box 23039

479-242-5976

# Purchase Order

Number: 04712

Date: 09/17/2025

Vendor Southern Pipe & Supply

Dept. #6388

Birmingham, AL 35246-6388

Account #	Account	Department	Qty	Item Description	Amount	Invoice #
6310	R/M-Water	Water & Sewer	200.0	Meters and Nodes for replacement of meters	66,576.00	10028490-00

**Purchase Order Total** \$66,576.00

Department Head Approval

City Admin Approval if over \$1,000

Board Approval if over \$10,000

*MP*



# SOUTHERN

## PIPE & SUPPLY

Southern Pipe & Supply  
 Dept. # 6388  
 PO Box 11407  
 Birmingham, AL 35246-6388

Southern Pipe Ph#: (501)753-7999

# Invoice

Cust #	9045980
Invoice Date	09/02/25
Invoice #	10028490-00
PO Date	07/08/25
Purchase Order	200-MTR&NODE
Placed By	
Tax Cert.	
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BILL TO:

CITY OF BARLING  
 PO BOX 23039  
 BARLING, AR

CITY OF BARLING  
 307 FORT ST  
 BARLING, AR 72923-2649

SHIPPED DATE		SHIPPED VIA			TERMS		INSTRUCTIONS	
09/02/25		Our Truck			10Prox,Net30			
LINE NO.	QTY ORDERED	QTY B.O.	QTY. SHIPPED	UNIT	PRODUCT AND DESCRIPTION	NET PRICE	EXTENDED AMOUNT	
1	200	0	200	Each	MSVEGB213N	186.00000	37200.00	
2	200	0	200	Each	MSMSWNODE51P05 MiNode M AMRWater MIU 1- Port 5' Nicor Connector	118.00000	23600.00	
2 Lines Total				Qty Shipped Total	400	Total:	60800.00	
						Taxes:	5776.00	
						Invoice Total:	66576.00	

Received By:

**BE FRAUD AWARE**

**SOUTHERN PIPE WILL NEVER INITIATE OR ACCEPT CHANGES TO OUR ACH BANKING ACCOUNT VIA EMAIL. ALWAYS SPEAK WITH A TRUSTED SOUTHERN PIPE CONTACT BEFORE CHANGING OUR BANK INFORMATION IN YOUR PAYMENT SYSTEM.**



Fire Department  
City of Barling

Tommy J. Sizemore  
Fire Chief

September 10, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor Greg Murray  
Board of Directors, City of Barling  
City Administrator Steve Core


The need for our community's first ladder truck is upon us in the wake of the current completed construction projects. This includes the VTRE warehouse project, the ACHE college dorm buildings, and the new 3 story apartment complex at the Prairie at Chaffee Crossings. Each of these are completed and operating as of now and new construction projects of this magnitude are in the planning phase. An aerial device is imperative for successful operation at any of these facilities as well as many others. Furthermore, ISO requires our fire department to provide a ladder truck once the community has reached a minimum of 5 buildings that are 3 stories high or greater, which we now have.

A new ladder truck that meets our community's needs is selling for a starting price of 2 million dollars, which is above our financial threshold and is taking anywhere from 4 to 6 years to build. We have been actively looking for reliable used ladder trucks for the last 28 months in lieu of this. The issue we are having is that the more reliable used ladder trucks with low mileage and low engine hours are selling within a matter of days. The cost to purchase a reliable used ladder truck is one third of the cost of a new truck, up to \$675,000.00. The truck we are looking at was originally priced at \$825,000.00. The company has agreed to a reduced price as well as to include some value added items at no additional cost. These items include painting the cab to match our Pierce pumper as well as including an additional three year limited liability warranty that is not normally available.

The fire department currently has around \$309,000.00 available in Capital Funds. We propose to use \$200,000.00 of this while allowing us to hold around \$109,000.00 in reserve. Our request to the board is for the city to allow us an additional (up to) \$475,000.00 towards the purchase of a ladder truck. These funds would be reimbursed to the city utilizing fire truck purchase capital funds that would be reimbursed within a three-year period. Note that these incoming funds increase annually as new water meters are added to the system and thus will speed up the repayment.

We would further request the board allow me to put this suitable ladder truck on hold immediately so that we do not lose the purchase. The final purchase of the vehicle including both the purchase order and payment by check will still come to the board for approval prior to purchase, we simply want to prevent the loss of the purchase as used ladder trucks are selling so fast.

Thanks for your consideration in this matter, and feel free to contact me should you require any additional information.

  
**Tommy J. Sizemore, Fire Chief**  
**City of Barling**

304 Church Street

Barling, Ar. 72923

479-452-1550 Ext. 217 Office

479-478-9659 Fax

tsizemore@barlingar.com



## Contact Us

Office : 256.776.7786  
Email : [sales@firetruckmall.com](mailto:sales@firetruckmall.com)  
Website: [www.firetruckmall.com](http://www.firetruckmall.com)

15410 US Highway 231,  
Union Grove, AL 35175  
Stock #: 19798  
Price: Call For Custom Quote

## 2012 Pierce Velocity 100' Quint

- 2012 Pierce Velocity 100' Quint
- Cummins ISX Diesel Engine
- 300 Gallon Tank
- Officer's Side Discharge: (1) 2 1/2", (1) 4" LDH
- Front Suction: (1) 6"
- Electric Reel
- Aerial Hours: 128
- Mileage: 35,193
- Height: Truck Height: 11'
- Velocity Pierce Chassis
- Allison 4000 EVS Automatic Transmission
- Driver's Side Discharges: (2) 2 1/2"
- Officer's Side Suction: (1) 6"
- Crosslays/Speedlays: Crosslays: (2) 1 1/2" (1) 2.5"
- Air Conditioning
- Pump Hours: 6822
- Additional equipment not included with purchase unless otherwise listed. Mileage readings may not be real-time and should be confirmed.
- GVWR: 69,500
- Seating for 6;
- Pierce 1500 GPM Side-Mount 1-Stage Pump
- Driver's Side Suction: (1) 2 1/2", (1) 6"
- Front Discharges: (1) 2 1/2"
- Onan 6KW Generator
- Backup Camera
- Engine Hours: 6,822
- Length: 40'8"
- Wheelbase: 233"



Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus is one of the world's largest used fire truck sales and service companies. Based just outside of Huntsville, Alabama, the company has forty-five full-time personnel occupying over 12,000 square feet. Our mechanics, all of whom are EVT certified, perform pump tests, general repairs, preventative maintenance, and body, collision, and paint work on over 500 used fire trucks every year. Visit us online at [www.firetruckmall.com](http://www.firetruckmall.com)



# Memo

**Date:** September 18, 2025  
**To:** Mayor and Board of Directors  
**From:** City Administrator  
**RE:** Resolution 25-10 for ACEDP Grant

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Please find attached Resolution 25-10 authorizing the submittal of an application for grant funds from the Arkansas Community and Economic Development Grant Program for Mercy Crest. Recommend approval of resolution.

Steve Core/City Administrator

**Resolution No. 25-10**

Be it resolved by the Board of Directors of The City of Barling, State of Arkansas, a resolution to be entitled:

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION  
FOR  
ACEDP GRANT FUNDS TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS**

WHEREAS: The City of Barling is applying for funds through the Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program, and

WHEREAS: It is necessary that certain conditions be met as part of the application requirements; and

WHEREAS: The City of Barling has, or will, conducted a public hearing and has an active Citizen Participation Plan/Community Development Plan, and as part of the application process has received and considered comments on community development and housing needs, and proposed activities; and

WHEREAS: As a result of the Community Development Planning activities; The City of Barling has identified and prioritized the community development and housing needs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF BARLING, ARKANSAS THAT:

The Mayor of The City of Barling is hereby authorized, on behalf of The City of Barling to submit an application to the State of Arkansas for grant funds, under the Community Development provisions of the Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program, and to expend funds to accomplish such community development activities, if the grant is awarded.

This Resolution passed and adopted in regular session: September 23, 2025

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Greg Murray, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Florene Brown, City Clerk



**CITY OF BARLING**  
**BARLING POLICE DEPARTMENT**



**Date:** September 18, 2025

**To:** Administrator Steven Core

**From:** Chief of Police Bryan Fuller

**Subject:** Repair Proposal – 2019 Dodge Ram 1500 K9 Unit

On the early morning of September 18, 2025, while on patrol during the night shift, Officer Thueson reported that our 2019 Dodge Ram 1500 (Vin#51291) K9 Unit began making an abnormal knocking noise while running. The vehicle was returned to the Police Department and subsequently taken to Greg's Too Car Care Center in Fort Smith for a professional mechanical diagnosis.

Upon inspection, the mechanics determined that the engine had sustained significant internal wear and damage. This was confirmed by the presence of metal shavings detected in the engine oil during testing. The official opinion of the mechanic is that the engine has experienced a major internal failure and requires replacement.

It is important to note that this particular vehicle serves as our department's K9 unit. It is outfitted with a specialized K9 enclosure that includes climate-control monitoring electronics, as well as electronic door-opening equipment that allows for the safe and remote deployment of the K9 during police operations. Because of these specialized modifications, the vehicle is a critical asset to our department and cannot be easily substituted by a standard patrol vehicle.

Greg's Too Car Care Center has provided an estimate for the necessary repair, which consists of installing a Jasper remanufactured long block engine assembly with a 3-year/100,000-mile parts and labor warranty. The total cost for parts, labor, and associated repairs is **\$12,306.87** (see attached repair order for itemized details).

In closing, it is my recommendation that the City approve this repair. Replacing the engine, as advised by the mechanic, will be more cost-effective than attempting to replace the entire vehicle, particularly given the specialized outfitting of the K9 unit. Restoring this vehicle to operational status ensures that our K9 can continue serving the community effectively.

**Attachment:** Greg's Too Car Care Center Estimate #193080 – \$12,306.87

Chief Bryan Fuller

# GREG S TOO CAR CARE CENTER

Estimate # 193080

6800 PHOENIX  
 FORT SMITH, AR. 72903  
 Phone: (479)-478-1991 | Fax: (479)-478-1992  
 http://www.gregstoo.com | greg@gregstoo.com  
 FULL SERVICE SHOP AND 24 HOUR TOWING

## Repair Order

**Estimate Due: \$12,306.87**

**Barling Police Department -**  
 P.O. Box 23039  
 Barling, AR 72923  
 Cellular: 479-459-8969 Brian  
 Office: 479-452-1550

**2019 RAM - 1500 Classic - Special Service**

5.7L, V8 (345CI) VIN(T)  
 VIN: 1C6RR7XT3 **KS751291**  
 Odometer: In 79,271  
 License Plate: 069STX AR  
 Color: Black  
 Unit: 4

Estimate Date: 09/18/2025  
 Service Advisor: Larry Jackson  
 Customer ID: 139

Type	Description	Part #	Qty	Sale	Total
<b>Symptoms</b>					
Labor	***SYMPTOMS*** The engine is making a knocking noise while running.				\$0.00
Labor	Diagnostic Services - Domestic Pulled spark plugs, and coils, take oil sample, disconnected flywheel, engine has internal knock. Connecting rod, main bearings, piston.... Engine has metal in the engine.				\$240.00
Labor	Install Jasper remanufactured long block engine. 3yr/100,000 mile parts and labor warranty. Install engine, evacuate and recharge A/C, install or swap necessary components				\$1,544.00
Part	Remanufactured Long Block Engine Assembly		1.00	\$6,495.95	\$6,495.95
Part	Engine Installation Kit		1.00	\$678.95	\$678.95
Part	Sensor and Magnet Kit		4.00	\$198.95	\$795.80
Part	Intake Manifold Assembly	68194114AC	1.00	\$1,020.95	\$1,020.95
Part	5W20 Synthetic Blend Engine Oil	520	7.00	\$3.95	\$27.65
Part	Global Extended Life Coolant - Pre Mixed	GLOBAL-EXT COO	3.00	\$11.95	\$35.85

Initials: **\$11,868.87**

Parts: \$9,055.15    Labor: \$1,784.00    Tax: \$1,029.72    Total: \$11,868.87

### Tax Breakdown

Sales Tax \$1,067.72

FULL SERVICE SHOP AND 24 HOUR TOWING

Labor	\$1,784.00
Parts	\$9,055.15
EPA Charges	\$400.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$11,239.15</b>
Taxes	\$1,067.72
<b>Estimate Total:</b>	<b>\$12,306.87</b>

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

# REPORTS



# Code Enforcement

08/01/2025 - 08/31/2025

Case #	Case Date	Address	City	State	Violation	Department	Status
2562	8/1/2025	1205 D	Barling	AR	Ord. 518 Loose Dog	007: Animal Control	002: Closed
2563	8/1/2025	1030 Mourning Dove	Barling	AR	Illegal Parking	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2564	8/7/2025	906 Strozier	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Open Storage (Citation Issued)	002: Code Enforcement	001: Open
2565	8/8/2025	604 L	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2566	8/12/2025	500 M	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2567	8/12/2025	504 M	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2568	8/13/2025	700 M	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown/Open Storage	002: Code Enforcement	001: Open
2569	8/13/2025	501 Ernest	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Open Storage	002: Code Enforcement	001: Open
2570	8/13/2025	1009 J	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown/Open Storage	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2571	8/13/2025	604 L	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown (Letter Sent)	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2572	8/14/2025	6801 Mahogany	Barling	AR	Ord. 518 Two Loose Dogs	007: Animal Control	002: Closed
2573	8/15/2025	1211 Fort	Barling	AR	Ord. 523 No Business License	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2574	8/14/2025	1211 Fort	Barling	AR	Ord. 523 No Business License	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2575	8/18/2025	7th & Fort	Barling	AR	Ord. 518 Loose Dog	007: Animal Control	002: Closed
2576	8/20/2025	1105 E	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Open Storage (Citation Issued)	002: Code Enforcement	001: Open
2577	8/20/2025	1104 E	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Open Storage (Citation Issued)	002: Code Enforcement	001: Open

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2578	8/20/2025	1106 E	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Open Storage (V/W)	002: Code Enforcement	001: Open
2579	8/21/2025	401 Dan	Barling	AR	Ord. 518 Two Loose Dogs	007: Animal Control	002: Closed
2580	8/21/2025	220 Regency	Barling	AR	Ord. 518 Rooster	007: Animal Control	002: Closed
2581	8/21/2025	2402 Ridgeway	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown Backyard	002: Code Enforcement	001: Open
2582	8/21/2025	2211 Yellowstone	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown	002: Code Enforcement	001: Open
2583	8/27/2025	606 Ernest	Barling	AR	Ord. 518 Cat	007: Animal Control	002: Closed
2584	8/28/2025	2004 Yukon	Barling	AR	Ord. 440 Sign in Right of Way	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed
2585	8/29/2025	802 Church	Barling	AR	Ord. 454 Overgrown	002: Code Enforcement	002: Closed

Total Records: 24

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