

JULY 25, 1994

7:00 P.M.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
226 SOUTH WALL STREET

PRESENT: JOHN D. MEADOWS, III, MAYOR
THOMAS H. BOND, MAYOR PRO-TEM
JOHN D. SHELTON, COUNCILMAN
PAUL MCENTIRE, COUNCILMAN
JIMMY PALMER, COUNCILMAN

ALSO: WILLIAM P. BAILEY, CITY ATTORNEY
KELLY CORNWELL, DIRECTOR UTILITIES/PUBLIC WORKS
CATHY HARRISON, CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond stated Mayor Meadows had been delayed due to a death in his family, but should arrive shortly. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond called the meeting to order.
2. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.
3. Minutes of the July 11, 1994 Regular City Council Meeting were approved as written.
4. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond gave the comments for Mayor Meadows:
 - a. On behalf of Mayor Meadows, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond expressed appreciation to the citizens of Calhoun for their vote of confidence in passing the Freeport exemptions for local industries to provide assurance of jobs growth for the future.
 - b. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, on behalf of Mayor Meadows and the Council, thanked the citizens of Calhoun and Gordon County for their support and donations for the flood victims of South Georgia.
 - c. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond stated that on June 30, 1994 at 2:30 P.M., the Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Mrs. Wilma P. Mankiller, will attend a presentation at the New Echota site in observance of the work of Sequoyah.
 - d. Upon Mayor Meadows arrival, Mayor Meadows also expressed his appreciation to the citizens of Calhoun for their support, and pledged the Council's due diligence in making sure that the exemptions are handled in the manner in which the Council had promised at earlier meetings. Mayor Meadows also commended those citizens of Calhoun, Gordon County for their outpouring of support for the flood victims of South Georgia. He also commended the workers who volunteered their time to help cities with their technical work at their water and waste water plant sites.
 - e. Mayor Meadows also stated the golf course had a meeting on July 18, 1994, and that the final result showed an above budget revenue for the golf course for the fiscal year, 1993-94. He stated he was pleased with last year's operations.
5. Public Hearings & Comments:
 - a. Sandra Falls of 402 Wall Street made a request for a reduction of a sewer connection fee which is normally \$1,500.00 for a commercial connection. She stated that she presently has sewer service for her beauty shop, and wished to add an additional service to a small building for selling fast food and barbecue to walk up pedestrians. She stated the business could be run as one

business with all income being reported on her year end tax return, and with all sales being reported under her current sales tax number. She stated that the only discharge from the small outbuilding would be soapy water, there would be no bathroom facilities, and it would only be water associated with cleanup of the area. She stated the electric and water service had already agreed for it to be run off the existing line, and that she would operate it as one business. The Council stated that it would be necessary for the building to comply with all building codes, and a health permit be obtained for food service. If everything is operated as one single business, they saw no reason for the additional connection fee, provided all other requirements were met.

6. Old Business:

- a. A 1st reading of a Fee Ordinance governing cemetery prices, and amending the inspections and permit fee process for heating and airconditioning was given. Following the reading, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the public hearing for August 22, 1994, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. Following discussion, Councilman Palmer made a motion to approve the \$12,500.00 Grant Agreement for the Recreation Department consisting of playground equipment and fencing for ball fields which had been discussed previously when the application was filed, and to which the City and County had jointly agreed to provide the cash match for the grant and for Mayor Meadows to be authorized to sign the Grant Agreement, 2nd by Councilman Shelton with Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton, Councilman McEntire and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. Following discussion, Councilman McEntire made a motion to approve the Parade Request for Echota Van Shrine for July 30, 1994 at 11:30 A.M. on the normal parade route provided the request is approved by DOT, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- d. Harrison stated the City had received the Forestry Grant of \$1,525.00, closing the City's first grant for funding of tree planting. This particular area was at the Depot.
- e. Harrison stated the new fire truck had arrived, and asked the Mayor and Council to review and approve a bid for financing the fire truck through a Lease Agreement. Those bids being AmSouth 4.85% for a five year rate and 5.10% for a seven year rate; Georgia Bank & Trust 4.97% for a five year rate and 5.29% for a seven year rate; Calhoun First National 5.10% for a five year rate and 5.36% for a seven year rate; Wachovia 5.62% for a five year rate and 5.85% for a seven year rate; Liberty National Leasing Company 5.59% for a five year rate and 5.95% for a seven year rate; Dublin Capital Leasing 6.36% for a five year rate and 6.61% for a seven year rate. Following review and discussion, Councilman McEntire made a motion to accept the bid of 5.10% from AmSouth for a seven year rate, and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Lease Agreement, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer and Councilman Shelton voting affirmatively, with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond abstaining since he serves as a director for the Calhoun First National Bank, motion carried.

7. New Business:

- a. A 1st reading of the Augustus Rawson King, IV Beer Package License Request for 767 Highway 53, presently known as ABC Package Store was given. The application was in order, therefore, Councilman Palmer made a motion to set the public hearing for August 8, 1994, 2nd by Councilman Shelton with Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton, Councilman McEntire and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. A 1st reading of the Manager Change Request for Wallace Enterprises, present Manager Cathy Banks with a proposed Manager to be Kim Sanders of 205 Forest Hills Circle. The Police Report on Ms. Sanders was clear, and no hearing was needed since this is only a manager change for a Corporate License. Following discussion, Councilman Shelton made a motion to approve the Manager Change for Kim Sanders at the Wallace Enterprise store, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Shelton, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. a 1st reading of the Zoning Variance Request of Weldon C. Childers of 108 Fain Street for a 10 ft. variance from the East property line and a 10 ft. variance from the rear property line was given. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the public hearing for September 12, 1994, 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman McEntire, with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- d. A 1st reading of the Zoning Variance Request of R & R Food Stores located at 400 West Line Street for a 20 ft. variance off River and West Line Street for construction of a canopy over gas pumps was given. Following review, Councilman Palmer made a motion to set the public hearing for September 12, 1994, 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- e. A 1st reading of the Temporary Zoning Variance Request of American Weaver L.P. at 965 North Wall Street (Old Echota Mill property) for a mobile home office while permanent offices are being built. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the public hearing for September 12, 1994, 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- g. Councilman Shelton made a motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Galileo Quality Institute contracts subject to the City Attorney's approval for the 911 project at a contract price of \$19,00.00. Said fees to be paid from a grant for the City and County from the Department of Community Affairs, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Councilman Shelton, Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to approve and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Galieo Quality Institute Contract for an Efficiency Assessment Review of all other City departments other than police and fire at a contract price of \$7,000.00, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

8. Other Written Items Not on the Agenda:

- a. A 1st reading of the Zoning Variance Request of Prater Ford 704 South Wall Street for a 23 ft. variance off

- Peter Street for a building addition. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the public hearing for September 12, 1994 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. A 1st reading of the Zoning Variance Request from New Beginnings Home Center to allow a 14x70 mobile home to serve as a sales center office. Councilman Palmer made a motion to set the public hearing for September 12, 1994, 7:00 P. M., 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - c. A 1st reading of the Zoning Variance Request from Astro Dye Works at 925 Oothcalooga Street for a 26 ft. variance off Pine Street. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the public hearing for September 12, 1994 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - d. A 1st reading of the Calhoun High School Parade Request for October 7, 1994 at 3:30 P.M. for the regular parade route. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to approve the request provided state approval was obtained, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - e. Councilman McEntire made a motion to declare the Data General computer and terminals for the old system to be surplus property, and to further authorize Harrison to obtain bids for the sale, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - f. Mayor Meadows gave the results of the City referendum on the question of Freeport exemption. Said special election held on July 19, 1994 by the Gordon County Election Superintendent Johnny Parker. The official vote totals were on Question One 453 Yes, 146 No; Question Two 440 Yes, 155 No; Question Three 434 Yes, 159 No.
 - g. Councilman McEntire made a motion to set a public hearing for August 18, 1994 at 6:30 P.M. regarding the question of adopting a leash law for pets, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
9. Harrison presented a request from John Wayne Hall and other apartment owners regarding a request for relief on the garbage pickup charge for dumpsters placed at apartments which they consider to be residential in nature. Harrison stated that in her conversations with Mr. Hall that she expressed to him that any garbage pickup by the City's front end loader was charged landfill charges by the County, and that those funds would have to be paid whether the City charged the owners of the apartments or not. The item was held until the next council meeting in order for each Council member to become familiar with the situation and to have their input at the next meeting.
10. Director Cornwell's Work Report:
- a. Director Cornwell stated that at a recent MEAG meeting, five new members were added to the Board, two replacing prior members and three new members. The Board at a recent three day work session elected a new Chairman, and the session was well attended by city members. Of the 48 cities comprising the MEAG group, 37 of them were

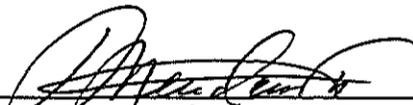
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represented at the meeting.

11. Councilman McEntire made a motion to move to Executive Session for personnel and legal matters, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
12. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to move to General Session, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
13. Councilman McEntire made a motion adjourn, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:

Submitted:



John D. Meadows, III
Mayor



Cathy Harrison
City Administrator

