

NOVEMBER 13, 1995

7:00 P.M.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
226 SOUTH WALL STREET

PRESENT: JOHN D. MEADOWS, III, MAYOR
THOMAS BOND, MAYOR PRO-TEM
JOHN 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 Meadows welcomed the group, called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.
2. Members of Troop 13 from Plainville Boy Scout Troop led by Brenda Bray led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.
3. Minutes of the October 23, 1995 Regular City Council Meeting were approved as written.
4. Mayor's Comments:
 - a. Mayor Meadows commended the 875 city citizens who took the time and effort to vote on November 7, 1995. Mayor Meadows expressed his appreciation to those who came, but stated it was a very poor turnout, when some 4,400 city citizens are registered.
 - b. Mayor Meadows reminded everyone of the run-off election on November 21, 1995 at the Recreation Department on South River Street, which will be held from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. The run-off will be for Council Post One Ray Mitchell Denmon and Ron Woods.
 - c. Mayor Meadows reminded everyone that the 2nd meeting for the City Council had been moved up to November 20 at 7:00 P.M. due to the National League of City's Meeting which will be scheduled for the last week in November.
 - d. Mayor Meadows reminded everyone of the Mayor's Motorcade on December 13, 1995 to the Northwest Regional Hospital. Gifts can be left with the Calhoun Fire Department, Police Department or City Hall.
 - e. Mayor Meadows commended Gordon County on the award of the Block Grant for the Senior Citizen's building from the Department of Community Affairs.
 - f. Mayor Meadows asked Kevin McEntire and George Paturalski to give a report on the garbage pickup to date. Mr. McEntire stated the transition had been much smoother than anticipated, and asked Mr. Paturalski to give an overview from the operation standpoint of BFI. Mr. Paturalski stated that the officials of BFI and City personnel had visited all of the downtown merchants on more than one occasion, and was receiving great response in most areas. He stated BFI and City personnel had met with eleven civic organizations, explaining the new procedures. He commended the local news media WJTH, WEBS and The Calhoun Times for their coverage which had been most helpful in the transition. He expressed appreciation to the Calhoun High School Color Guard which had assembled the cans as a school project. This was coordinated by Tom and Carol Shanahan. He also commended

the Department of Public Works, particularly Kevin McEntire and other city personnel. He stated BFI is presently tagging containers in the residential area for those that do not comply with the regulations. He stated they will eventually discontinue pickups until those particular ones are in compliance, however, they are presently being warned, and will be given time to make changes to comply with the regulations. Mr. Paturalski stated there would be no pickups on Thanksgiving, however, those residents scheduled for pickups on Thursday, will have pickups on Wednesday of that week. Finally, Mr. Paturalski expressed his appreciation to the Mayor and Council for the assistance with the transition.

5. Council's Comments:

- a. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond stated the Street Department continued to clean up after Opal, continued patching of city streets, and laying tile for driveways.
- b. Councilman Shelton stated the Fire Department responded to the following calls during the month of October, 1995: one public assembly, one store and office, two industrial, three highway vehicle fires, one other vehicle fire, 13 rescue emergency-medical, 17 false alarms, 12 hazardous materials and 15 public assistance. The estimated damage for the month of October was \$12,000.00. Councilman Shelton stated the Police Department made 180 arrests during the month of October with 14 being DUI, and collected \$28,269.00 in fines. They responded to 170 incidents, 121 accidents, answered 91 burglar alarms, and provided 80 escorts.
- c. Councilman McEntire stated the Water Treatment Plant pumped and average daily total of 12.466 million gallons per day of raw water. The Waste Treatment Plant treated an average daily flow of 10.327 million gallons per day with the BOD effluent being 16, suspended effluent being 28, and COD effluent being 143. The Water/Sewer Construction Department made 23 water taps and one sewer tap. They installed 720 feet of two inch PVC water line, and 2,560 feet of 6 inch PVC water line.
- d. Councilman Palmer stated the Electric Department sold 26,680,638 KWH of electricity to a customer base of 3,841. They provided 79 inspections, and issued 41 permits. The Building Inspector issued nine residential permits for a total residential construction of \$1,550,000.00, three residential additions for \$48,000.00, commercial alterations in the amount of \$210,000.00 of construction, one new commercial construction in the amount of \$60,000.00, and \$259,000.00 for Southern Bell. There was one industrial addition permit for \$28,800.00 of construction. Councilman Palmer also stated that interviews are continuing for the Main Street Director, with two being scheduled for Tuesday evening, November 14, 1995.

6. Public Hearings and Comments:

- a. Mayor Meadows stated both the Gordon Central and Calhoun High School Football Teams would be in state playoffs, with games scheduled for the weekend, and both schools were asking for a group pep rally to be held on November 16, 1995 from 7:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. at the Court Street Area, directly in front of the Court House to Park Avenue. Following further discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to authorize the closing of that block of Court Street for November 16, 1995 from 7:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M., 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem

Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

7. Old Business:

- a. A 2nd reading was given to the parade policy. There were no comments. Councilman McEntire made a motion to approve, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. A 2nd reading of the Expense Reimbursement Policy was given. There were no comments. Councilman Palmer made a motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Shelton with Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton, Councilman McEntire and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. Cathy Harrison, Election Superintendent gave the official election report. She stated the election on November 7, 1995, had a total of 875 votes were cast for the following candidates:

Mayor	John D. Meadows, III	599 votes
Council Post 1	Ray Mitchell Denmon	328 votes
	George Odom	114 votes
	Ron Woods	430 votes
Council Post 2	Kenny L. Herron	322 votes
	Paul McEnitre	509 votes
School Post 4	Al Edwards	684 votes
School Post 5	George Crowley	678 votes

Harrison stated a run off would be necessary for Council Post 1 between the candidates Ray Mitchell Denmon and Ron Woods. The run off will be held at the Recreation Department from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. on November 21, 1995.

- d. Mayor Meadows presented the official award from GFOA for certification of the City's June 30, 1995 Financial Report, the fifth for the City of Calhoun. He recognized Sandra Long, the City's new accountant, and Harrison for their contributions for this effort.

8. New Business:

- a. A first reading was given to the resolution regarding utility rates, which includes the \$.20 sewer rate increase effective November 1, 1995 which will be included on the December utility bills. This resolution being in conformance with the decision made on October 23, 1995 by the Mayor and Council for a plant expansion for the Sewer Treatment Facility. A 2nd reading will be held on November 20, 1995.
- b. A first reading of the Solid Waste Ordinance was given. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the public hearing for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. A first reading of a Business License Ordinance for 1996 was given. Following discussion by the Council regarding those alternates which were available for the business license tax for the year. In addition to the first reading of the business license tax ordinance, Mayor Meadows gave a first reading to the Fee Schedule Resolution which showed a decrease in some of the

categories for the employee method of the business license tax for the year 1996. Councilman Palmer made a motion to set the public hearing for the Business License Tax Ordinance for December 11, 1995, and a second reading of the Fee Schedule Resolution for November 20, 1995, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman Palmer, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- d. Harrison distributed a list of old unused items from all departments, including items from the Electrical Department, and asked that these be declared surplus in a sale authorized for December 2, 1995 at 10:00 A.M. at the City Barn on Kirby Road. Following discussion in review of the items, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to declare those items surplus, and to authorize the auctions for December 2, 1995 at 10:00 A.M. at the City Barn on Kirby Road, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- e. Harrison stated the City of Calhoun had met with the FEMA agents regarding the Opal storm damage, and had submitted their final reports. Harrison stated the FEMA representatives commended City personnel for their handling of the situation, and also for their excellent manner of reporting. She stated the City anticipates a recovery of approximately \$72,000.00.
- f. Mayor Meadows read a proposed resolution regarding a request for \$8,500,000.00 for a State Revolving Fund Loan for a Sewer Plant Expansion which was approved on October 23, 1995. Following review, Councilman McEntire made a motion to approve the Resolution, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- g. Larry Vickery of the Electric Department gave a first reading and reviewed the proposed underground policies and procedures for the City's Electric Department (said policies may be adopted on November 20, 1995).
- h. A first reading of a new Amusement License Application of Toby's Sports Fans Attic, George Southgate, for 436 South Wall Street for one arcade machine and one pool table was given. A 2nd reading will be held on November 20, 1995.
- i. Mayor Meadows and Harrison stated as a result of proposed bids for re-roofing the Civic Auditorium, the City was made aware of some possible structural damage, and in lieu of that notification is in the process of gaining some preliminary cost from several structural engineers which will be presented to the Council on November 20, 1995 for their selection for the work to begin.
- j. A first reading of the Annexation Ordinance for the Water Plant property under the new zoning guidelines was given by Mayor Meadows. Mayor Meadows stated the application was in order. Councilman McEntire made a motion to set the public hearing for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M. with a Zoning Advisory Board Hearing on December 7, 1995 at 4:30 P.M, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- k. Mayor Meadows gave a first reading of the Beer, Wine and Liquor License Renewal Requests for 1996:
 - 1. American Legion Post 47 - DeWitt Carter - Beer/Liquor Package/Pouring
 - 2. Arch City Package - Otto L. Defoor - Beer Package
 - 3. B & L Liquor - Lindsey Lewis - Wine/Liquor Package
 - 4. Calhoun Liquor Store - John H. Bell - Wine/Liquor Package
 - 5. Golden Gallon, Inc. - Nancy G. Williams - Beer

- Package
6. El Pueblito Mexican Restaurant, Inc. - Juana Naranjo - Beer/Liquor Pouring
 7. Holiday Inn Restaurant - Betty Gilbert - Beer/Wine/Liquor Pouring
 8. J.J.'s Package Store - Raymond J. Brown - Beer Package
 9. Jimmy's Package - Alton Defoor - Beer Package
 10. B & L Beverage - Cindy L. Bockholt - Beer Package
 11. Pizza Hut, Inc - Teresa J. Roll - Beer Pouring
 12. Champ Kelly - Red Bud Liquor - Wine/Liquor Package
 13. J & P - Patsy Colleps - Beer/Wine Package
 14. South 41 Package - Roy T. Aaron - Beer/Wine Package
 15. Speedy's Spirits Shop - Doug Thomason - Wine/Liquor Package
 16. Troy's Package - Ronald Robinson - Beer Package
 17. VFW - Lois Crump - Beer Pouring/Package
 18. Wallace Enterprises - Beverly O'Bryan - Beer/Wine Package
 19. Highway 53 Package - Terry G. Ross - Beer/Wine Package
 20. Bilbeck, Inc. - Jana Mincey - Beer/Wine Pouring
 21. Dixie Beverage Shop - Barbara V. Bishop - Beer Package
 22. China Hall - Yong Hwang Laing - Beer/Wine Pouring
 23. Los Reyes Mexican Restaurant - William Terry Howard - Beer/Wine/Liquor Pouring
 24. Jackie's Restaurant - Martha Stewart - Beer/Wine Pouring
 25. S.G.P., Inc. (Brangus Cattle Company) - Curt Lucas - Beer/Liquor Pouring

A second reading was scheduled for November 20, 1995 at 7:00 P.M.

1. Mayor Meadows gave a 1st reading of the Amusement License Renewal Requests for 1996:
 1. Calhoun Bowling Center - James H. Roark
 2. King's Skating Palace - Harvey A. King
 3. Bilbeck, Inc. - Jana Mincey
 4. R & R Grocery - Russell Offutt
 5. Grand Prix Amusement - Rodney Barnette
 6. American Legion - C.L. Rutledge

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- m. Mayor Meadows gave a 1st reading of the Pawn License Renewal Requests for 1996:
 1. Calhoun Trophy and Sporting Goods - Jimmy Gee
 2. Cannonballs - Kenneth McEntyre
 3. North Georgia Pawn - Walter James
 4. Otasco/Coast to Coast - Jimmy Payne
 5. Park Avenue Pawn & Jewelry - Douglas Driscoll
 6. Title Exchange and Pawn of Calhoun - Deborah A. Shuler
 7. D & S Pawn - Bobby J. Dobbs
 8. A & A Title Pawn - Alex W. Feagin
 9. Cash Express - Mike H. Horton
 10. PCI Capital Corp. (Pawn Mart) - Joseph Robert Sillers

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9. Other Written Items Not on the Agenda:
 - a. A fist reading of an Annexation Ordinance request of F B

& F Holding Company LLC was given for property located at 1220 Highway 41 North, which presently is identified as Parcel No. 43-1-132 on the County Tax Map with a County zoning of Commercial. The property is presently leased to Fox & Brindle Construction Company and Cherokee Mechanical, Inc. Mayor Meadows stated the application was in order. Councilman McEntire made a motion to set the public hearing for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

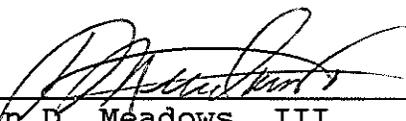
- b. Mayor Meadows stated that upon recommendation of His Attorney, Robert W. (Bobby) Miller was seeking to file a new annexation request for approximately 21 acres off Curtis Parkway. The property is identified as Map 56 Parcel Nine and Map 56 Parcel 9A. The application submitted was in order. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the public hearing for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Palmer, Councilman Shelton and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. A re-zoning application was introduced from Robert W. (Bobby) Miller for approximately six acres of property represented as the six acres north of the preceding 21 acre tract off Curtis Parkway for that property currently in the City and zoned C-2 with a request to re-zone to R-2. The reason for the request being stated as property abuts residential area, and is more suited to residential usage than commercial usage. The request being filed, being in order. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to set the public hearing for the re-zoning request for December 11, 1995 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 an annexation application was given for Stanley Simpson and Bill Walraven for vacant land off Gee Road being approximately 11.8 acres. Mayor Meadows stated the application was in order. Councilman Palmer made a motion to set the public hearing for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman Palmer, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- e. A 1st reading of an annexation application from Randall Gene McEntyre for a lot at the corner of West Drive and Short Street, being approximately 150 feet by 150 feet. The application is in order. Councilman McEntire made a motion to set the public hearing for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- f. A 1st reading for an annexation application was given for Calhoun Congregational Church of Jehovah Witnesses for the property located at 473 West Belmont Drive, S.W. The application is in order. Councilman Palmer made a motion to set the public hearing for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman Palmer, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- g. A 1st reading of a zoning variance request from J Haley Stephens for property identified as 90, 92, 94, 96 and 98 of Dan Cheri Drive was given. The request being to change the zoning from R-2 to C-N. The reason stating the request being that apartment dwellers are rough on property, and his ulcers that he feels that office use would be the highest and best use of the property. Councilman McEntire made a motion to set the public

hearing for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- h. A 1st reading of a zoning variance request was given from the Development Authority of Gordon County for the Convention and Visitors Bureau of the Gordon County Chamber of Commerce. The request would allow a bill board to be placed on the property which would provide industrial advertising on one side and tourism advertising for the Calhoun, Gordon County area on the other side. Councilman Shelton made a motion to set the public hearing for the request for December 11, 1995 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Councilman Shelton, Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire and Mayor Pro-Tem Bond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
10. Work Report of Kelly Cornwell, Director Utilities and Public Works:
- a. Director Cornwell stated the Southern Champion Contract for improvements at the Waste Treatment Facility, including the sludge dryer and housing for the sludge dryer should be completed very shortly.
 - b. Director Cornwell presented a written report on the status of the two wells. He asked the Council to review the improvement in turbidity over the last several months on Test Well No. One. He also acknowledged the City of Lafayette, which had loaned the City of Calhoun a generator, which was allowing the City to run the pump on No. Two to help clear the water.
 - c. Director Cornwell stated the Water Project north of Calhoun, which will provide water for approximately 27 houses should be completed in approximately two weeks.
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. Councilman McEntire made a motion to move to General Session, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Bond with Councilman McEntire, Mayor pro-Tem Bond, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
13. Mayor Pro-Tem Bond made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Bond, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Shelton and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:

Submitted:



John D. Meadows, III
Mayor



Cathy Harrison
City Administrator

