

FEBRUARY 26, 1996

7:00 P.M.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
226 SOUTH WALL STREET

PRESENT: JOHN D. MEADOWS, III, MAYOR
JOHN D. SHELTON, MAYOR PRO-TEM
PAUL MCENTIRE, COUNCILMAN
JIMMY PALMER, COUNCILMAN
RON WOODS, COUNCILMAN

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

1. Mayor Meadows welcomed everyone to the meeting, and called the meeting to order.
2. Mayor Meadows led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.
3. Minutes of the February 12, 1996 Regular City Council Meeting were approved as written.
4. Mayor's Comments:
 - a. Mayor Meadows congratulated the Calhoun High School Boys Basketball Team as Regional Champs.
 - b. Mayor Meadows reminded the Council of the public hearings scheduled for March 11, 1996 at 7:00 P.M.: (1) Annexation Request of Patsy Gravitt for property in Land Lot 190 on Kirby Road which joins City property; (2) Zoning Variance Request of Raymond Bagwell for the 2nd lot on Crest Drive, South of Talley Avenue intersection; (3) Zoning Variance Request of Debra Guintier for Lot 9 in Timber Ridge Subdivision which would allow a set back relief of 22 ft. at the cul-de-sac; (4) Zoning Change Request of the Estate of Sallie B. Legg for a lot at 425 West Belmont Drive from R-2 to C-2; (5) Zoning Request of Bob T. & Carol Nance for a lot at the intersection of Dews Pond & Barrett Roads for R-2 zoning.
 - c. On behalf of the Council and employees of the City of Calhoun, Mayor Meadows expressed sympathy to Bernie Gold on the loss of his wife Kathleen Gold, Commissioner of Gordon County; to Mr. John D. Shelton on the loss of his brother Miles; to Wayne Bennett on the loss of his wife Geneva; and to Wiley Moore on the loss of his mother, Kathleen Moore.
 - d. Mayor Meadows reviewed the action of the Golf Commission Meeting at Noon on February 26, 1996, stating the Golf Commission had approved construction of a concrete deck on the Northwest side of Fields Ferry Pro Shop and Snack bar. He also stated the group had reviewed a request by Mrs. Vickie Roberts to amend the proposed contract, Item 19, which would allow an alternate method of verifying sales. Following discussion, the Golf Commission, on a vote of four voting for and three abstentions, for the use of a copy of a monthly sales tax report as a method of verifying sales. Following review of the Golf Commission Report, Councilman Palmer made a motion to amend the Council's earlier action in accepting the proposal by the Golf Commission to allow an alternate sales reporting by means of a copy of the State sales report with a one year snack bar contract, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Palmer, Councilman

McEntire, Councilman Woods and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.

5. Council's Comments:

- a. Councilman Woods stated in a special report that the Mayor and Council, in addition to Director of Utilities/Public Works Kelly Cornwell, his assistance Eddie Peterson and Cathy Harrison, City Administrator, had met with Wayne Shackelford in addition to Representative Thomas E. Shanahan and Senator Ralston on February 20, 1996, and had been successful in acquiring a State contract which would provide funding for improvements to Piedmont Street. Those improvements being curb and gutter, base and paving, and retaining walls on a 60/40 contract. Councilman Woods also stated the City had received notice of LARP funding for the year. He stated three streets were included, and one of those was Piedmont Street. He stated the group had asked for a substitute on Piedmont Street, since it would be handled as a special project. Mr. Woods stated Mr. Shackelford agreed, and several of the smaller streets were approved as a substitute for Piedmont. Councilman Woods stated the written confirmation of those streets had not been received, however, he reported that Camelot Circle and Three Oaks Drive were the other two streets which had been confirmed prior to the substitution.

6. Public Hearings & Comments: None

7. Old Business:

- a. Sandra Long, City Accountant, gave a review of the June 30, 1995 Annual Financial Report which had been completed and printed. She stated the statement was available at the Library and at City Hall during their respective business hours. She proceeded to provide a comprehensive review of the combined balance sheet, the four sections of the financial statement, and the earnings statements for the City of Calhoun.

8. New Business:

- a. Following review of a letter from the Development Authority recommending Jim Black be reappointed to the Development Authority Board for a four year term beginning March 20, 1996, Councilman Woods made a motion to recommend to the Gordon County Board of Commissioners that Jim Black be reappointed for a four year term beginning March 20, 1996, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton with Councilman Woods, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman McEntire and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. Mayor Meadows reviewed a proposal from Gordon County of its readiness to move forward with the Senior Citizens Center, a part of the request being for the City to prepare a title transfer for 2.07 acres which had previously been donated by Mary Will Stephens in 1984 to Gordon County for use with the new proposed senior citizens center. Following review of the request, Councilman Palmer made a motion to approve the request, and to authorize Attorney Bailey to prepare the Deed of Transfer, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton with Councilman Palmer, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman Woods and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.

9. Other Written Items Not on the Agenda:

- a. A 1st reading was given to the request of James W. Hobgood for Annexation of Lots 68 and 67A off East Belmont Drive behind the property presently occupied by Brad Ragan. Following review of the request, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton made a motion to set the public hearing for April 8, 1996 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman Woods with Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman Woods, Councilman Palmer and councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. A 1st reading of the Annexation Request of Gary Duke for a lot at 209 Shadowood Drive being further described as Lot 31 of Thornwood Subdivision. Following review of the request, Councilman Woods made a motion to set the public hearing for April 8, 1996 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton with Councilman Woods, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman McEntire and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. A 1st reading of a Zoning Variance Request of Calhoun Super Sports, Inc. was given. The request being to allow the replacement of a dysfunctional concession stand with a 14x50 portable commercial building to enhance the area, and to provide a larger concession area. Following review of the request, Councilman McEntire made a motion to set the public hearing for April 8, 1996 at 7:00 P.M., 2nd by Councilman Woods with Councilman McEntire, Councilman Woods and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.

10. Director Cornwell's Work Report:

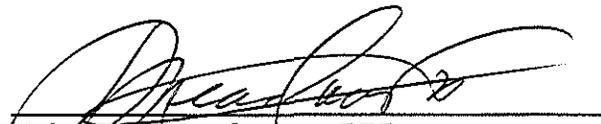
- a. John Sweitzer of Sweitzer Engineering reviewed the City's earlier bids of December 1, 1994 for test well drilling. He stated as a result of that contract, the City has drilled three wells. Well #1 had been under the influence of contaminants; #2 was dry; and #3 has proven to be a very effective well site, with all tests being excellent. He requested a change order which would allow management to proceed with Division Three of the Agreement which would be to install a permanent well twelve inches in diameter, in the hopes of providing a seven to eight hundred gallons per minutes water supply. The contract would be on a unit price basis, and the change order would be to increase a bid total of \$72,122.00 to the contract price. To move forward in this part of the program for fittings, installation of the well and all line extension to connect to the City's system would be totally funded through an application of a \$300,000.00 ARC grant, provided the City is able to get final approval on the grant with the balance of funds (\$700,000.00) to be handled through a GEFA Loan which has been preliminarily approved. Following review of the Engineer's recommendation, Councilman McEntire made a motion to approve the Change Order and to authorize the Mayor to sign, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman Palmer and Councilman Woods voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. Eddie Peterson and Kelly Cornwell discussed the bid for the study of sewer rates and pricing of sewer services which could be done by Dr. Chris Nelson of Georgia Tech and his intern students over a two or three month period for an estimated cost of \$25,000.00. A second source for the study is John Hewitt for approximately \$12,500.00, however, Mr. Hewitt has provided technical assistance for the City in the past on its electrical system, but not in the area of water and sewer. The Council asked Peterson and Cornwell to review the parameters in which the original discussion with industry

was debated, and to make a decision as to the proper selection of providers, to move forward with the project and to report to the Mayor and Council.

11. Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton made a motion to move to Executive Session for personnel and contractual matters, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer and Councilman Woods voting affirmatively, motion carried.
12. Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton made a motion to move to General Session, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire and Councilman Woods voting affirmatively, motion carried.
13. In reference to amending the contractual agreement with Gordon County regarding Leche', Councilman Palmer made a motion to amend the price for handling Leche' for Gordon County as follows: the price of \$5.00 per ton, retroactive to October 1, 1996 (excluding the Hurricane Opal concession) with the price to increase to \$10.00 per ton for any Leche' with a count of 300 BOD effluent. The understanding would be that should any slug from the Leche' cause problems which would prohibit the City of Calhoun from land applying its sludge, the County would provide free sludge disposal until the sludge was tested and approved for land application again. The City would also require a monthly metals scan and a full metal test quarterly at the County's expense, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton with Councilman Palmer, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman Woods and Councilman McEntire voting affirmatively, motion carried.
14. Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire and Councilman Woods voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:

Submitted:



John D. Meadows, III
Mayor



Cathy Harrison
City Administrator