

MAY 27, 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
CATHY HARRISON, CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Mayor Meadows called the meeting to order; welcomed everyone; and gave the Invocation.
2. Members of Boy Scout Troop 53 led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.
3. Minutes of the May 13, 1996 Regular City Council Meeting were approved as written.
4. Mayor's Comments:
 - a. Mayor Meadows reported the May 16, 1996 Regional Legislative Dinner sponsored by MEAG went very well, with a few Legislators present. He stated they understood the Cities' position regarding the need to be considerate of the 48 participants' outstanding debt which was used to develop MEAG.
 - b. Mayor Meadows reminded the Council of the Public Hearings scheduled for June 10, 1996: (1) 1996-97 Budget; (2) Zoning Change Request of Ebbie Mac and Carol W. Carney for a lot at 251 West Belmont Drive from R-1 to C-2 zoning; (3) Zoning Variance Request of Preston Dupree for property located at 100 Daisy Street to build a home on nonconforming property; (4) Zoning Variance Request of Astro Dye Works, Inc. to provide a 29 ft. variance for a building addition at their side on Highway 53.
 - c. Mayor Meadows reminded the Council of Public Hearings scheduled for June 24, 1996: (1) Wine Pouring Request of Brangus Cattle Company in the name of Mrs. Cheryl Watters along with a request for the Beer and Liquor Pouring Licenses to be changed from the company name to the name of Cheryl Watters, Manager; (2) The possible adoption of the City's 1996-97 Budget including School and Special Projects.
 - d. Mayor Meadows announced a water ban currently in force on outdoor watering per EPD request: (1) The restrictions would require Fire Departments, Construction Companies and etc. to curtail water main flushing, dust control and etc.; (2) Voluntary water conservation for lawns, gardens, swimming pools, car washing and non-essential type use for home owners between the hours of 12:00 Noon and 9:00 P.M. daily.
 - e. Mayor Meadows reported the Golf Advisory Commission had recommended a budget of \$1,379,315.00 for revenues and transfers and for expenditures. He stated the Commission had heard a report from the Maintenance Superintendent regarding sprigging that would take place on June 5-9, 1996 for replacement of winter kill.
5. Public Hearings & Comments:

- a. A 2nd reading of the Fee Resolution regarding water tap connection rates and septic tank waste charges was reviewed. A Public Hearing was opened, there were no comments, and the hearing was closed. Councilman McEntire made a motion to waive the 3rd and 4th readings and to approve effective June 1, 1996, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer, Councilman Woods and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.

6. Old Business:

- a. Harrison stated the structural engineer for the auditorium roof project had determined that the contractor would not be able to remove the gravel, since it had adhered to the tar, and it will not be possible to be removed. The problem is the additional weight of the proposed new roof, and at this time, the structural engineer is reassessing the stress on the walls. Harrison stated the findings should be confirmed by the middle of the week, and a voice poll would be taken from the councilmen regarding the amended price.
- b. A 2nd reading of the water line extension policy was given, with Councilman Palmer making a motion to approve the authorized policy, 2nd by Councilman Woods with Councilman Palmer, Councilman Woods, Councilman McEntire and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. Following review of a consideration of a resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Loan Agreement of the Airport Authority Board with Georgia Bank & Trust regarding construction of the first T-hangars as reviewed earlier in the year. Harrison stated the City Attorney had reviewed the agreement, and made comments asking the bank to make changes to the agreement. These changes were presently being made by the bank's lease agent, and would be forwarded shortly. Following discussion, Councilman Palmer made a motion to approve the action, and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the loan agreement following a final review by the City Attorney, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton with Councilman Palmer, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman McEntire and Councilman Woods voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- d. Harrison stated the pension plan enrollment sessions were scheduled and held during the prior week. She stated the sessions were conducted by Carrie Schaaf of AmSouth Bank, who did an excellent job in spite of the constant monitoring by the City Attorney, Linda Brookshire, and Cathy Harrison.
- e. Harrison stated the group insurance bid proposals bid proposals had been spread, with five companies and their agents being interviewed for four hours during the previous week. Harrison stated the Committee composed of Mayor Meadows, Linda Brookshire and Cathy Harrison would continue to review the results of the interviews, and would make a final recommendation to the Mayor and Council on June 10.

7. New Business:

- a. Councilman Palmer made a motion to reappoint Butch Layson to the Airport Authority Board for a term beginning July 1, 1996 for three years, 2nd by Councilman Woods with Councilman Palmer, Councilman Woods, Councilman McEntire and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. In consideration of an appointment to the Gordon County

Planning Commission, which will expire in June, 1996, Councilman McEntire made a motion to appoint Tommy McArthur for a City position on the Planning Commission, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer, Councilman Woods and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- c. Following review of a resolution to adhere to the rules and regulations of the Department of Administrative Services as a donee, Councilman McEntire made a motion to approve the resolution, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton with Councilman McEntire, Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton, Councilman Woods, and Councilman Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried. Following review of the nondiscrimination assurances associated with the resolution for the Department of Administrative Services, Councilman Woods made a motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Palmer with Councilman Woods, Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- d. Following review of an application for a Recreation Grant to complete the lighting and bleachers for one of the ball fields to be erected off the Sugar Valley Road, Councilman Palmer made a motion to authorize the Recreation Grant of \$12,500.00 with the local share of dollars and in kind work to be performed by the City, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Palmer, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Woods and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.

8. There were no other written items not on the agenda.


9. Director Cornwell's Work Report:

- a. Director Cornwell reviewed the engineering proposals for the Piedmont Street Project, and made a recommendation to approve the firm of Piedmont Olsen Hensley based on their in house depth of engineering expertise. Following discussion, Councilman Woods made a motion to approve the recommendation, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Woods, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. Cornwell reviewed the Sewer Plant bid negotiations stating that very little reduction had been made at this point, however, following discussion, Mayor Meadows asked that negotiations continue.

10. Councilman Woods made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Councilman McEntire with Councilman Woods, Councilman McEntire, Councilman Palmer and Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:

Submitted:



John D. Meadows, III
Mayor



Cathy Harrison
City Administrator

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