

**CITY OF CALHOUN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
FEBRUARY 22, 1999, 7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

PRESENT: JAMES F. PALMER, MAYOR
JOHN D. SHELTON, JR., COUNCILMAN
RAY M. DENMON, COUNCILMAN

ABSENT: RONALD H. WOODS, MAYOR PRO TEM
HENRY HOLLAND, COUNCILMAN

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

1. Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance, and gave the invocation.
2. Mayor Palmer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
3. Following review of the minutes of the February 8, 1999 regular City Council Meeting and noting there were no amendments, Mayor Palmer stated they would stand approved as written.
4. Mayor's Comments:
 - a. Mayor Palmer read a resolution honoring Mrs. Inez Balliew for her work for over thirty years with the Winner's Club. Mayor Palmer stated Mrs. Balliew was a quiet person who worked extremely hard with her husband to establish and to continue the Winner's Club, which not only served many children in the community, but also entire families. W. W. "Deacon" Balliew accepted the resolution on behalf of his family.
 - b. Mayor Palmer stated there was an opening on the Golf Advisory Commission due to the resignation of Jim Black, who had been a charter member of the Commission and had served for several years, doing an extremely good job. He stated the recommendation to fill the unexpired term of Jim Black was John Lord. Following discussion, Councilman Shelton made a motion to appoint John Lord to fill the unexpired term of Jim Black, second by Councilman Denmon, with Councilman Shelton, Councilman Denmon and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - c. Mayor Palmer stated that Mrs. Mac Walter, wife of Dr. Walter, had served for many years on the Gordon County Board of Health, but had expressed a desire to not be considered for an additional term on the Board. Following her many years of distinguished service, Mayor Palmer recognized Mrs. Walter for her dedication to the welfare of those in the community. He also stated the Board of Health had recommended Mrs. Cheryl Box be appointed to replace Mrs. Walter. Following discussion, Councilman Denmon made a motion to appoint Mrs. Cheryl Box as a City appointee for the Gordon County Board of Health, second by Councilman Shelton, with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - d. Mayor Palmer stated Councilman Holland and Mayor Pro Tem Woods were out of town and unable to attend the meeting.
 - e. Mayor Palmer announced the following public hearings on zoning matters to be held on March 8, 1999 at 7:00 P.M.
 - 1) A zoning change request of Vivian Byrd for property located at 110 East Line Street, from R-1 to C-2 zoning.
 - 2) A new zoning and annexation request of Nery Echeverria and Daysy Cabrera for property located at 102 Florence Avenue, for R-1 zoning.
 - 3) A new zoning and annexation request of Winfred B. Gray for property located at 400 Peters Street, for R-2 Zoning.
 - 4) A new zoning of C-2 and annexation of Christoper B. McCracken as agent for Ozelle Shepherd, for property on Highway 41 for development of a chiropractic clinic.
 - 5) A new zoning and annexation request of Joe E. Moore for property located at the southeast quadrant of the intersection of Union Grove Road and U. S. Highway 41 for A-1 zoning.
 - 6) A zoning change request of Joel E. Ostuw for approximately 1/3 acre at 415 North Wall Street from O & I to C-2 zoning.

- 7) A zoning change request from Industrial-G to C-2 zoning by Hoyt Whittenburg of Whittenburg Properties, Inc. as agent for Fite Barnette, Guardian of Shirley Roach, for property described as 1.219 acres at 235 West Line Street.
5. Public hearings and comments: none.
6. Old Business: none.
7. New Business:
 - a. Harrison reviewed a budget calendar for the 1999-2000 budget process. Following review, Councilman Shelton made a motion to adopt the budget calendar, second by Councilman Denmon, with Councilman Shelton, Councilman Denmon and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - b. Mayor Palmer reviewed a parade request of Brent Parker for the Easter Parade from West Line Street to 41 South, on 41 to the Courthouse, west on Court Street to Park Avenue, north on Park Avenue to West Line Street, west on West Line Street to Calhoun Wholesale, where the parade would be disbanded. Mayor Palmer stated the request was for April 2, 1999, and State Department of Transportation permission had been granted. He also stated this will fill an opening in the six traditional parades, and Mr. Parker has requested that this request be considered a traditional parade each year. Following discussion, Councilman Denmon made a motion to approve the request and to acknowledge the request as a traditional parade for each continuing year. The motion was seconded by Councilman Shelton, with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
8. Other written items not on the agenda:
 - a. Attorney Bailey stated the owners, Stanley Simpson, Bill Walraven and James W. Hobgood request dedication of a street to the City of Calhoun, to be utilized as a public street. The street would be north of the Williams Oil Company, would be approximately 700 feet long and 60 feet wide. Cornwell stated the street is built to city specifications and has been approved by the Street Superintendent, Kevin McEntire. Attorney Bailey stated the owners would also dedicate property for a pump station connected to the City's sewer system. Following discussion, Councilman Shelton made a motion to accept the street dedication and the pump site dedication upon receipt of a deed with proper title, second by Councilman Denmon, with Councilman Shelton, Councilman Denmon and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
9. Work report of Kelly Cornwell, Director of Utilities and Public Works:
 - a. Cornwell stated the trust agreement, which had been reviewed with the Council by members of the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia earlier in the year, had been returned to the City for execution. He stated the trust agreement will allow funds currently on hand with the Municipal Electric Authority to be placed in trust to assist with rate stabilization in the future for electric deregulation. Following discussion, Councilman Denmon made a motion to approve a resolution approving the trust agreement and authorizing the proper officials to sign on behalf of the City, and to designate the City Administrator to make deposits and communicate the City's position in respect to the trust and the trustee. The motion was seconded by Councilman Shelton, with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
10. Mayor Palmer stated there was no need to move to Executive Session.
11. Councilman Denmon made a motion to adjourn, second by Councilman Shelton, with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:


James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:


Cathy Harrison, City Administrator

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CALHOUN
TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A DECLARATION OF TRUST
ENTITLED "THE MUNICIPAL COMPETITIVE TRUST"
CREATED BY THE MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC AUTHORITY
OF GEORGIA IN ANTICIPATION OF THE DEREGULATION
OF THE RETAIL SALE OF ELECTRICITY IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA**

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the retail sale of electricity will be deregulated in Georgia, and is likely to happen in about 2003; and

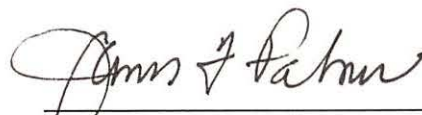
WHEREAS, the City and Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia ("MEAG") wish to prepare for this eventuality by having sufficient funds available to pay any imbedded costs which may not be recoverable from competitive rates after such deregulation; and

WHEREAS, the city and MEAG wish to enter into a Trust for the purpose of accumulating such funds in the manner which will be most beneficial to the City and its citizens and customers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Competitive Trust in substantially the form attached hereto is hereby approved and the proper officers are authorized to execute and deliver the Trust, and to deposit funds designated by the City from time to time into the designated Subaccounts of the Trust;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Administrator is hereby authorized to make such deposits and to communicate the City's decisions with respect to the Trust to MEAG and the Trustee.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED in open meeting this 22 day of February, 1999.



JAMES F. PALMER, MAYOR
CITY OF CALHOUN, GEORGIA

(SEAL)

