

**CITY OF CALHOUN
SPECIALLY CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
MAY 4, 1999, 11:00 A.M.**

MINUTES

**PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
Ronald H. Woods, Mayor Pro Tem
John D. Shelton, Jr., Councilman**

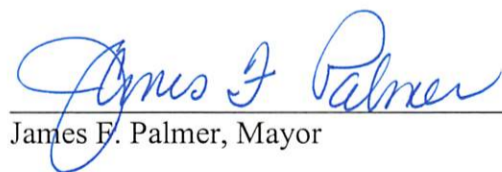
**ABSENT: Henry Holland, Councilman
Ray Denmon, Councilman**

**ALSO: Kelly Cornwell, Director of Utilities and Public Works
Cathy Harrison, City Administrator**

1. Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and explained the purpose of the meeting.
2. Kelly Cornwell presented a review of the City's investigations regarding entering the natural gas market over a period of time. He stated the City's current interest had escalated due to the fact that the PFC has moved the sign-up window in the North Georgia region to August 12, 1999. Fourteen bid requests were distributed to marketers at the time the City was considering who would serve the new gas generator. A bid from Peachtree Natural Gas included some benefits if the City became a licensee of Peachtree Natural Gas, providing signup, customer service, billing and meter reading services for citizens within this area. Cornwell stated that at various times over the past 30 days, elected officials and city staff have had an opportunity to review the proposal of Peachtree Natural Gas, which is a Georgia corporation and a member of the Optimum Energy Sources. Based upon their bid, their consistently lower pricing, and with an estimated earnings possibility for the City of Calhoun in the amount of approximately \$200,000.00, Cornwell stated he would recommend the City become a licensee of Peachtree Natural Gas. Following discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Woods made a motion for the City of Calhoun to become a licensee for Peachtree Natural Gas, providing natural gas services to commercial, industrial and residential customers within the North Georgia area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Shelton, with Mayor Pro Tem Woods, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.
3. Mayor Pro Tem Woods made a motion to adjourn, second by Councilman Shelton, with Mayor Pro Tem Woods, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Palmer voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:

Submitted:



James F. Palmer, Mayor



Cathy Harrison, City Administrator