



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 24, 2025 – 7:00 PM  
109 SOUTH KING STREET  
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM**

**MINUTES**

PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor  
Ed Moyer, Mayor Pro Tem  
Ray Mitchell Denmon, Councilmember  
Jacqueline Palazzolo, Councilmember  
Al Edwards, Councilmember

ALSO: Paul Worley, City Administrator; Kyle Ellis, Utilities Administrator; Sharon Nelson, City Clerk; George Govignon, City Attorney; Tony Pyle, Police Chief; Lenny Nesbitt, Fire Chief.

1. **Council Meeting Called to Order**  
**Welcome**  
Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.  
**Invocation**  
Mayor Palmer gave the invocation.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**  
Mayor Palmer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
3. **Amendment or Approval of Proposed Agenda**  
Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the March 24, 2025 agenda as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
4. **Amendment or Approval of Minutes**  
Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of March 10, 2025. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
5. **Mayor's Comments**
  - A. Mayor Palmer announced that Neshanta Printup was in attendance on behalf of Angie Gillman, Gordon County E-9-1-1 Director, presenting for signature a Proclamation

Observing Telecommunicator's Week. Mayor Palmer read the proclamation declaring the week of April 13-19, 2025 as "National Telecommunicator's Week" and urged all citizens to join in honoring the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our county and citizens safe. Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to proclaim the week of April 13-19 as National Telecommunicator's Week. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye.

**6. Zoning Hearings and Comments**

Announce at this time, public hearings will be held. The public will have the opportunity to make pro and con comments with a ten-minute maximum time limit for each side of the matter, with each person speaking having filed a financial disclosure statement five days prior to the hearing if required, with each person giving their name and address. An inquiry should be made to determine if any elected official has filed a disclosure statement regarding ownership or special interest in any of the agenda items. Zoning Land Use Maps on display in Council Chambers for Zoning Advisory Board and Council hearings.

**A. Tabled Item – to be heard April 14**

PRD Site Amendment at a location of 1391 & 1392 US Hwy 41 North, being parcels C42A013 & C42A-015, by Echota Fabrics, Inc. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting was held March 6<sup>th</sup>.

**7. Other Public Hearings**

**8. Old Business**

- A. Mayor Palmer gave the second reading of an annexation and zoning request from County A-1 to C-2, for 1.93 acres, at a location of 633 Peters Street, being parcel 071-037A, by Curtis & Peters LLC. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held April 10<sup>th</sup> and the public hearing April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**9. New Business**

- A. Mayor Palmer read a Temporary Outdoor Alcohol Special Event Permit request for Black Sheep Events, in association with the BBQ and Boogie Special Event Permit Request by the Downtown Development Authority, to allow the provision of alcohol for the event. The permit request is for Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the alcohol request. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- B. Mayor Palmer read a request from the purchasing department to surplus a sand blasting pot and paint sprayer, as well as related hosing and breathing equipment no longer used by the water construction department. Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the surplus request. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- C. Mayor Palmer stated that a motion was needed to allow him to sign a Wireless Pole Attachment License Agreement for distribution poles with Crown Castle, for the use

of the electric provider's poles, to be erected within certain rights-of-way within the City of Calhoun. Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the request. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

- D. Mayor Palmer read a proposed update to the General Government Fee Schedule to increase fees for columbarium purchases in Chandler Cemetery. Fees for non-residents will be \$2,000 and fees for residents \$1,200, with 50% of the fees going to the Cemetery Trust Account. This includes one niche which holds two urns, bronze wreath, granite name plate, and engraving. Each opening and closing of the niche will be a separate \$500 charge on weekdays and \$750 on weekends. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

10. **Other written items not on the agenda**

11. **Work Reports**

- A. City Administrator Worley gave a review of February 2025 general cash and hotel motel reports. (copy attached) Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the reports as presented. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- B. Utilities Administrator Ellis gave a review of the February 2025 utilities cash report. (copy attached) Mayor Pro Tem Moyer made a motion to approve the report as presented. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- C. City Attorney Govignon had nothing to report.

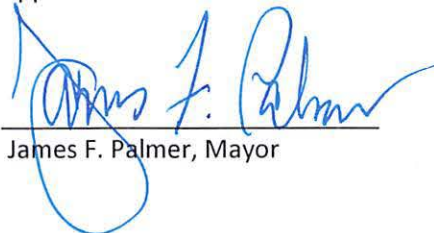
12. **Motion to move to Executive Session, if needed**

13. **Motion to return to General Session**

14. **Motion to Adjourn**

There was no further business and Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Approved:

  
James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:

  
Sharon Nelson, City Clerk

