

**CITY OF CALHOUN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM
109 SOUTH KING ST
DECEMBER 16, 2013 7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

**PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
Al Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem
George Crowley, Councilman
David Hammond, Councilman
Matt Barton, Councilman**

**ALSO: Eddie Peterson, City Administrator; Paul Worley, City Clerk; George Govignon, City Attorney;
Larry Gilbert, Major CPD; Jerry Crawford, Water and Sewer Director**

- 1. Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.
A. Mayor Palmer gave the invocation.**
- 2. Mayor Palmer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.**
- 3. Councilman Crowley made a motion to approve the agenda and Councilman Barton seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion approved.**
- 4. Councilman Hammond made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2013 City Council Meeting. Councilman Barton gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.**
- 5. Mayor's Comments:**
 - A. Mayor Palmer recognized and welcomed Kevin Price with Troup 46 who is working on his Citizenship in Community Merit Badge.**
 - B. Mayor Palmer reminded the public that the City of Calhoun offices will be closed on December 24th, December 25th and January 1st.**
- 6. Public Hearings and Comments:**
 - A. Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing for a beer, wine, liquor pouring request by Neighborhood Restaurant Partners, LLC. DBA: Applebee's at a location of 1008 Hwy 53 SE. The proposed manager is Steven James Smith.**
 - Mr. Peterson stated that all signs and advertising requirements have been met.**
 - Mayor Palmer asked for public comments. The applicant was present and stated they were excited about the new restaurant and hoped to be open by late January or early February.**

- Councilman Hammond made a motion to approve the beer, wine, liquor pouring license request. Councilman Barton gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.
- B. Mayor Palmer opened a public hearing for an Ordinance Amendment regarding the Department of Community Affairs Georgia State Minimum Standards Building Codes and also including any applicable DCA amendments, which is subject to the City of Calhoun's Community Development enforcement. The following code updates are mandatory:
- International Building Code, 2012 Edition
 - International Residential Code, 2012 Edition
 - International Plumbing Code, 2012 Edition
 - International Mechanical Code, 2012 Edition
 - International Fuel Gas Code, 2012 Edition
 - International Energy Conservation Code, 2009 Edition
 - International Fire Code, 2012 Edition
 - National Electrical Code, 2011 Edition
- Councilman Barton made a motion to approve the mandatory code updates with all applicable DCA amendments. Councilman Crowley seconded the motion. Mayor Palmer asked for further comments or discussion. There were no more comments and the motion passed unanimously.

Also, the following optional codes are recommended for adoption by the Community Development Department:

- International Property Maintenance Code, 2006 Edition
 - International Existing Building Code, 2006 Edition
 - International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, 2012 Edition
 - National Green Building Standard, 2008 Edition
- Councilman Barton made a motion to approve the recommended code updates with all applicable DCA amendments. Councilman Hammond seconded the motion. Mayor Palmer asked for further comments or discussion. There were no more comments and the motion passed unanimously.

7. Old Business:

- A. Mayor Palmer conducted the second reading of an annexation and zoning of C-2 for 0.57 and 0.29 acres at a location of 119 Thomas Street for CGA Global Realty, LLC. The ZAB meeting will be on January 9th and the public hearing will be on January 13th.
- B. Councilman Hammond made a motion to remove a road closure request from the table. Councilman Crowley gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.

Mayor Palmer read a road closure request for the Calhoun Chick-Fil-A Connect Race Series to include a 10K, 5K, and 1 mile race. Proceeds will benefit the Voluntary Action Center. The race request would occur Saturday May 10, 2014 beginning at 8:00am. The one mile race will be hosted by the Calhoun Recreation Department on their walking trail. The 5K race begins at the Recreation Department and follows Recreation Drive, right on McDaniel Station Road, crosses Hwy 53 spur to Harris Beamer Road, turn right on Beamer Road, turn left onto Koufax Drive, turn left back onto Beamer Road, cross back over Hwy 53 spur into the Recreation walking trail. The 10K race begins at the Recreation Department and follows Recreation Drive, right on McDaniel Station Road, crosses Hwy 53 spur to Harris Beamer Road, turn right on Hwy 156 (W. Line Street), turn right onto New Zion Road, turn right onto Madison Drive, right onto Gilmore Circle, right back onto Madison Drive, right back onto New Zion Road, left onto Beamer Road, cross back over Hwy 53 spur into the Recreation walking trail. Mayor Palmer stated that the Calhoun Police Department and the Gordon County Sheriff's Department are working together to determine the proper traffic control for the race routes seeing as some of the roads are also in the County. Councilman Crowley made a motion to approve the road closures for all City streets. Councilman Edwards gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved. (subject to GDOT approval for state routes and subject to Gordon County Commission approval for County Roads)

8. New Business:

- A. Mayor Palmer read a Beer and Liquor pouring manager change request for VFW Post #5376 for a location of 406 West Line Street. The prior manager was Ashley Dobson and the proposed manager is Hillery Williams. Councilman Hammond made a motion to approve the manager change request. Councilman Barton gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.
- B. Mayor Palmer conducted the first reading of a taxicab regulatory license application for Patricia Hodge D/B/A: Taxi Los Buenos Amigo at a location of 360 South Piedmont Street. Councilman Crowley made a motion to set the public hearing on January 27th. Councilman Edwards gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.
- C. City Administrator Peterson reviewed the final budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2013 which will account for various amendments to allow the budget to balance. Councilman Crowley made a motion to approve the budget amendment. Councilman Hammond gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved. (copy attached)
- D. Mayor Palmer read the following Business License renewal requests:

Beer and Liquor Pouring:

- Hillery Williams for VFW Post #5376

Beer Pouring:

- Melba Jane Price for Pizza Hut

Councilman Barton made a motion to approve the renewal requests. Councilman Crowley gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.

9. Other written items not on the agenda: None

10. Work Reports:

A. City Administrator Eddie Peterson

- Administrator Peterson stated that there was a General Government cash report included in the agenda packet. The report shows the general fund at \$3,046,578.61 which is one of the best positions the general fund has been in for the month of December. The City's reserves are also where they are suppose to be with three months operating revenues in reserves and having sufficient reserves is extremely important for government organizations.


B. General Manager Larry Vickery

C. City Attorney George Govignon

- Attorney Govignon stated there was a need to discuss a previously tabled item concerning the house explosion in Saddlebrook Subdivision. With the needed additional time for review, Attorney Govignon recommended that the Council grant him authority to sign a Consent to Dismissal with Prejudice agreement between the City of Calhoun and Cotton States Mutual Insurance Company. Councilman Hammond made a motion to allow Attorney Govignon to sign the Consent to Dismissal with Prejudice document on behalf of the City of Calhoun. Councilman Crowley gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.

- 11.** Councilman Hammond made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Barton with all voting aye, motion approved.

Approved:



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:



Paul Worley, City Clerk

**City of Calhoun
Final Budget Amendment for FY13**

General Fund			Original Budget	Revised Budget	Budget Amendment	Amended Budget
#1						
1323224	541100	CO-LAND,EASMENTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,200	\$ 19,200
1323224	541300	CO-BUILDINGS	-	-	60,800	60,800
1000000	371000	DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE SOURCES	-	-	(80,000)	(80,000)
1323223	523103	VEHICLE INS.	18,067	18,067	3,730	21,797
1404220	541401	STE-CO-INFRA-STR P	-	-	96,000	96,000
1000000	371000	DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE SOURCES	-	-	(96,000)	(96,000)
1000000	313100	TX-LOCAL OPTION SALES & USE	(2,251,670)	(2,321,737)	(3,730)	(2,325,467)
					\$ -	

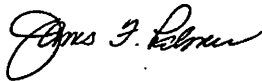
Budget Amendment #1 adjust for the contribution of a building to Special Ops by a private source and the contribution of the county paving the parking lot at the recreation football field. In addition, there was a slight increase in vehicle insurance due to new fleet being in use for 6 months.

#2						
2103200	337005	SHARED REV-FED EQUITABLE	\$ -	\$ (115,400)	\$ (5,509)	(120,909)
2103200	611001	OF-TRN-GEN	-	2,211	5,509	7,720
					\$ -	

Budget Amendment #2 is to account for funds spent on drug buys that exceeded budget.

ADOPTED this 16 day of December

City of Calhoun, Georgia



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Attest:



Eddie Peterson, City Administrator