

**CITY OF CALHOUN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM
109 SOUTH KING ST
FEBRUARY 22, 2016 7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

**PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
David Hammond, Mayor Pro Tem
Al Edwards, Councilman
Matt Barton, Councilman
Jackie Palazzolo, Councilwoman**

ALSO: Eddie Peterson, City Administrator; Larry Vickery, Utilities General Manager; George Govignon, City Attorney; Paul Worley, City Clerk; Garry Moss, Police Chief; Jeff Defoor, Director of Electric Utilities; Lenny Nesbitt, Fire Chief

- 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 Hammond made a motion to approve the agenda and Councilman Barton seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion approved.**
- 4. Councilman Barton made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2016 City Council Meeting. Councilman Hammond gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved. Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the Executive Session minutes of the February 8, 2016 City Council Meeting. Councilwoman Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.**
- 5. Mayor's Comments:**
- 6. Public Hearings and Comments: None**
- 7. Old Business:**
 - A. Mayor Palmer conducted the second reading of an annexation and zoning request of C-2 for 0.77 acres at a location of 1015 South Wall Street by Walter Layson. The Zoning Advisory Board will meet on March 10, 2016. The Public Hearing will be on March 14, 2016.**
 - B. Mayor Palmer conducted the second reading of a beer package license request by George Holtschlag D/B/A: MEGA Petroleum, Inc. (Calhoun Interstate BP) at a location of 756 Hwy 53 East. The proposed manager is Gary Allen Riggs. The Public Hearing will be on March 14, 2016.**

- C. Mayor Palmer conducted the second reading of a pawn license request by Kenneth Hand D/B/A: Kenneth Hand Fast Lane Title Pawn, Inc. at a location of 512 West Belmont Drive. The proposed manager is Kristen Thomason. The Public Hearing will be on March 14, 2016.

8. **New Business:** None

9. **Other written items not on the agenda:** None

10. **Work Reports:**

A. Administrator Eddie Peterson

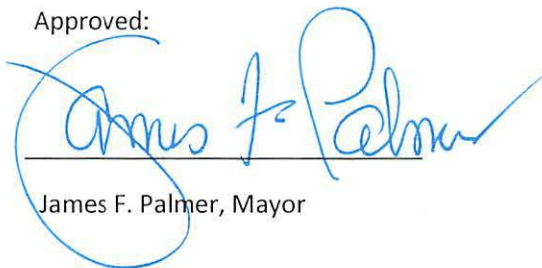
- Administrator Peterson reviewed the General Government monthly cash report with the general fund in a good cash position as compared to previous years. The 2015 property tax collections now stand at 92%. The City's property tax equates to about 10% of total general fund revenues. As a comparison, the City of Dalton's property tax makes up 38% of their general fund revenues.
- The City, and the Calhoun Beautification Committee, was able to give away 4,600 trees for the annual tree give away last Saturday. Trees have to be removed in certain situations, but having residents willing to come and get the free trees and plant them throughout the community is a positive and helps the City of Calhoun remain a Tree City.

B. General Manager Larry Vickery

- General Manager Vickery reviewed the Utility monthly cash report with good reserves showing and also reminded the Council that there will be a MEAG CEO Roundtable meeting coming soon and encouraged attendance.
- Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve both cash reports. Councilwoman Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye, motion approved.

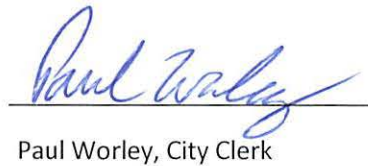
- 11. Councilman Barton made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Palazzolo with all voting aye, motion approved.

Approved:



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:



Paul Worley, City Clerk