

1. Meeting called to order by Mayor Burdette and invocation offered by Rev. John Allen of the Belmont Baptist Church.
2. Minutes of the special called meeting of Jan. 16 and the regular meeting of Jan. 27 were read and approved.
3. Mayor Burdette welcomed a Scout Troop to the meeting and announced the appointment of James Hobgood as city engineer.
Mayor's Comments: Mayor Burdette asked that the department heads keep him and the Aldermen advised to anything unusual or serious complaints and items of a controversial nature. He said he had received telephone calls on certain matters that had not been brought to his attention and he could not answer the citizens complaints.
4. Aldermen Comments: Ald. Cox asked for information on confiscated van with possible purchase for use by Civil Defense. It was learned the van was no longer available. Ald. Cox then advised that Prater Ford had a new 1974 van. Ald. Lewis made motion to authorize purchase of Prater Ford van unless a comparable van can be purchased from Roy Davis Chevrolet for less, 2nd by Ald. Padgett and approved.
Ald. Cox brought up matter of Recreation Dept. using the old landfill property on Sugar Valley Road. It was decided that the Recreation Dept. did not have an immediate need for the property and no commitment should be made at this time.
5. Public Comments: None
6. Old Business: Hoyt Edwards reported on dog ordinance and recommended continuing present ordinance to see if the additional man in Rabies Control will help to control the situation. Discussion followed on adopting a nuisance clause. Hoyt Edwards stated Adairsville Police had a tranquilizer gun and that we may be able to borrow it on a trail basis with option to buy. Bruce Bowman reported on swimming pool ordinance. Recommendation was made to have Tom Shanahan draw up for approval an ordinance requiring pools to be enclosed inside a fence.
Ald Padgett brought up complaint from Dr. Bishop on power bill on his building on Highway 53. Jack Bell explained how the electric rates had been changed during the past year and all-electric, commercial and industrial rates were increased greater than residential.
Roy Fox reported on liquidating damages on Recreation Building. Original contract called for 240 days for completion but construction extended 166 days beyond contract limits partly due to circumstances beyond control of contractors. It was recommended that we settle on basis of 15 days at \$75.00 per day and deduct amount of \$1125.00 from final payment. Motion by Ald. Padgett, 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.

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Jack Bell reported on negotiations with NGEMC and Georgia Power on power territories and explained tentative agreement reached with these two companies. Motion by Ald. Padgett, 2nd by Ald. Cox to approve. Approved.

Jack Bell also gave a detailed report on how Georgia Power has increased the cost of power to the City over the past year. General discussion followed on what possibilities we have to change our system of pricing to our customers in a more equitable manner. Don Watt reported that the revised engineering plan for the water plant had been approved.

First reading of Ordinance of City of Calhoun to amend Civil Defense Ordinance of May 22, 1967, was read and approved.

7. New Business: None

8. Ald. Cox moved to adjourn, 2nd by Ald Lewis and approved.

Approved:



W. C. Burdette,
Mayor

Respectfully submitted:



(Mrs.) Cathy Harrison,
City Clerk