

1. Call to order by Mayor Burdette. Rev. John Allen of Belmont Baptist Church gave the invocation.
2. Minutes of the regular meeting of April 14, read and approved.
3. Mayor's Comments: The Mayor announced "Civic Youth Day" would be recognized April 29 with students representing city officials and department heads. The day will begin at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall. A banquet will be sponsored by the Calhoun First National Bank at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Burdette commended the teachers and students for the program. The Mayor announced the GMA Regional 7th District meeting to be held in Calhoun on the 29th at 3:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge. Some 85 city officials will visit our City. The Mayor also announced a postponement of the Crestmont Subdivision request until May 12, 1975.
4. Aldermen's Comments: (a) Ald. Cox stated that two bids had been made for the Civil Defense Radio. There was one bid for a used set (base station mobile unit - antenna - \$1145.00) one bid for a new set (base station mobile unit - antenna - \$1875.00) both bids were received from System's Design, Adairsville, Ga. After discussion Ald. Cox made the motion to purchase the new set for \$1875.00 on a matching fund provision with the County, 2nd by Ald. Padgett and approved.  
(b) Ald. Cox asked if there were any recommendations on the Airport Contract presented to the Aldermen on April 14, 1975. After discussion the Clerk was requested to consult the Swartzs concerning the mowing at the airport. If they are in agreement with the proposal the contract can be voted on and signed at the next meeting.
5. Public Comments: (a) Representatives from Briarwood Subdivision gave their comments on the dog situation there. They requested that some immediate action be taken. The City Manager reported that the City Attorney had recommended a mandatory dog registration. Under the new ordinance governing the registration the City would have the authority to make a case against any dog owner as a result of numerous or serious complaints or charges. It would give the Mayor the authority to handle these cases in City Court. After discussion the Council asked that the ordinance be prepared for the next Council meeting. (There were 22 dogs sold, 20 retained at the dog pound, and 104 destroyed thus far in April.)
6. Old Business: (a) Ald. Lewis made a motion to waive the 2nd reading of the Beer Ordinance and to adopt it as read since no objections had been lodged. 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.  
(b) The City Clerk explained the electric rates as recommended by Southeastern Engineers regarding commercial, commercial all-electric, and industrial. The Consultants explained that

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with the annual average 23% increase the City could correctly classify all customers and still return the desired net revenue. A motion was made by Ald. Padgett to accept the rates as recommended, 2nd by Ald. Collins and approved. (copy of proposal hereto attached.)

(c) The City Manager reported that he had talked with the Van Buskirks regarding the houses on South Wall Street. The Van Buskirks have requested that the City tear down one of the houses and stated they would repair the other one to meet building codes, or decide to tear it down by the time the City is ready to demolish the other house.

(d) Bids were opened on a bulldozer for the new landfill.

Midco Southern - Terex - \$79,000.00  
(Enclosed cab, 82-20 Crawler Tractor)

Tri-State Tractor - International - \$81,614.00  
(Enclosed cab, TD-20E Crawler Tractor)

Yancey Brothers Co. - Caterpillar - without cab \$89,365.00  
(D-7G Crawler Tractor) with cab 93,480.00

Ald. Collins made the motion to purchase the International TD-20E Crawler for \$81,614.00. 2nd by Ald. Padgett and approved.

Jack Bell reported that progress was being made on Southeastern Engineers Analysis of the City's Electric System.

Ald. Cox stated that he had been approached by several young adults requesting the qualifying age for aldermen be lowered to 21. The Council asked the Clerk to discuss the age limit and term of office with the City Attorney and report at the next Council meeting.

7. Ald. Collins made the motion to adjourn, 2nd by Ald. Lewis and approved.

Approved:

  
W. C. Burdette,  
Mayor

Respectfully submitted:

  
(Mrs.) Cathy Harrison,  
City Clerk