



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 18, 2020- 7:00 PM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM**

MINUTES

PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
George R. Crowley, Mayor Pro Tem
Ray Mitchell Denmon, Councilman
Al Edwards, Councilman
Jacqueline Palazzolo, Councilwoman

ALSO: Paul Worley, City Administrator; Larry Vickery, Utilities Administrator; Sharon Nelson, City Clerk; George Govignon, City Attorney; and Tony Pyle, Police Chief.

1. **Council Meeting Called to Order**

Welcome

Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Invocation

Councilman Edwards 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**

Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the May 18, 2020 agenda as presented. Councilman Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

4. **Amendment or Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Pro Tem Crowley made a motion to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of May 11, 2020. Councilwoman Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved. Mayor Palmer reminded those present that the April council work reports were included in the minutes.

5. **Mayor's Comments**

- A. Mayor Palmer announced that the second public hearing of the fiscal year 2020-2021 Annual Operating Budget and Capital Plan for the City of Calhoun will be held on June 8th at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Mayor Palmer announced that City of Calhoun offices will be closed on Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day.
- C. Mayor Palmer announced that employees were back in the office full-time beginning this week. Offices are still closed to the public; however citizens may be seen by appointment if needed.

6. **Council Comments**

None

7. **Public Hearing and Comments**

None

8. **New Business**

- A. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of a beer package license, at a location of 1133 South Wall Street, by Alif 1133 Stores, Inc. The applicant, Qadratullah Hassan, will also serve as the store manager.

9. **Other Written Items Not on the Agenda**

10. **Work Reports**

- A. Paul Worley, City Administrator, gave the April General Government Cash report stating that General Government remains in good standing. He stated he was very happy with this considering there were three accounts payable cycles this month instead of the typical two. General Fund checking was \$3.1million and Golf was \$225K. He also noted that the 2018 uncommitted SPLOST fund had a balance of \$2.6 million, the money to be used to support the building of the new Police Department on McDaniel Station Road. 2018 committed SPLOST fund had \$1.9 million and will be used to complete the Peter's Street project. He noted that road construction should begin in June and the remainder of the 2011 SPLOST of \$1.4 million will also be used on this project and will close out the 2011 SPLOST.
- B. Larry Vickery, Utilities Administrator, gave the April Utility Cash reports stating that Utilities cash accounts remain in good standing. Total operating revenues were \$4.7 million and total savings and reserves were \$7 million, for a grand total of \$11.7 million. He also informed council members that water and electric use was back up to pre-coronavirus lock down.
- C. George Govignon, City Attorney stated he had received a sample ordinance from the Georgia Municipal Association pertaining to cities reopening to be discussed at the next work session.

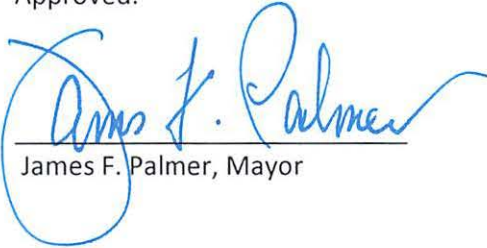
11. **Motion to move to Executive Session, if needed**

12. Motion to return to General Session

13. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Pro Tem Crowley made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Approved:


James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:


Sharon Nelson, City Clerk

