



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 20, 2019- 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
 Jackie Palazzolo, Councilwoman

ALSO: Eddie Peterson, City Administrator; Larry Vickery, Utilities Administrator; Paul Worley, Assistant City Administrator; Sharon Nelson, City Clerk; George Govignon, City Attorney; Jeff Defoor, Director of Electric Utilities; Tony Pyle, Police Chief; Jerry Crawford, Director of Water & Wastewater.

1. **Council Meeting Called to Order**

Welcome

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

Invocation

 Mayor Pro Tem Crowley 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 20, 2019 agenda as presented.
 Councilwoman Palazzolo 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 13, 2019. Councilman Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

5. **Mayor's Comments**

 A. Mayor Palmer announced that Calhoun City offices will be closed Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

- B. Mayor Palmer announced that the second public hearing of the fiscal year July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 Annual Operating Budget and Capital Plan will be held on June 10th, at 7:00 p.m. during the regular scheduled meeting of the City Council.
- C. Mayor Palmer gave the floor Jerry Crawford, Water and Sewer Director for recognition of two employees. Mr. Crawford stated that Eric Henson received the highest test score on record when testing for his Wastewater Lab Analyst Certification. Kyle Ellis received his professional engineer's license in Civil Engineering.
- D. Councilwoman Palazzolo announced that the library summer reading program sign-ups begin in person and online on May 28th. There will be a mobile mammogram lab from CHI Memorial in the front parking lot of the library on June 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mammograms are for those 35 years and older. There is no charge for persons with no insurance; for those with partial insurance, they will pay the remainder. For those with insurance they will bill your provider. To schedule your mammogram exam call 423-495-4040 or 866-591-2254. The summer feeding program will begin on June 3rd and last through August 2nd. Free meals will be provided for those 18 and under, in partnership with Calhoun City Schools. Meals will be served Monday through Friday, except July 4th and July 5th. Breakfast will be from 9:00 to 10:30 and Lunch will be from 12:00 to 1:30. Also, free English as a Second Language classes will be taught every Saturday in June and July from 10:00 to 12:00. Childcare will be provided.

6. **Public Hearing and Comments**

None

7. **Old Business**

- A. Mayor Palmer gave the second reading of a Zoning Change Request from R-1 to C-2 for 25.36 acres, at a location of parcel C53 014 on Dews Pond Road, by Will Crunk, on behalf of Hamilton Medical Center. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held on June 6th and the public hearing will be June 10th.

8. **New Business**

- A. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of a Taxicab and Limousine Operator Regulatory License Application for Taxi Latino, at a location of 401 Oothcalooga Street, by Romauldo Rajo Martinez. Eligible for a public hearing on June 17th.
- B. Mayor Palmer read a Parade request on the traditional route by Bud Owens for the Annual Northwest Georgia Regional Fair Parade on September 7th at 11:00am. Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the request, subject to GDOT approval. Councilwoman Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- C. Mayor Palmer read a Parade request on the extended route by the Gordon County Chamber of Commerce and the Downtown Development Authority for the annual Calhoun Christmas Parade on December 12th at 7:00pm. Mayor Pro Tem Crowley made a motion to approve the request, subject to GDOT approval. Councilman Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- D. Mayor Palmer stated a motion was needed to move the first meeting in July from July 8th to July 1st to allow the Mayor and City Council to attend the annual MEAG Conference. Mayor Pro Tem Crowley made a motion to move the meeting to July 1st. Councilman Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

- E. Mayor Palmer gave the floor to Utilities Administrator Vickery to discuss Calhoun Utilities Engineering Department's recommendation of bid award for the South Sewer Extension. City Administrator Vickery stated that five bids had been received ranging from \$1.7 million to \$3.2 million. The Engineering Department's recommendation was to award the project to the low bidder, Gordy Construction Company. Councilwoman Palazzolo made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineering Department and award the contract to Gordy Construction Company. Councilman Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved. (Bid Sheet attached)

9. Other Written Items Not on the Agenda

10. Work Reports

- A. Eddie Peterson, City Administrator gave the General Government cash report for April, 2019 stating that the City remained in a good position. He noted that the Golf Fund was currently \$88,249. Two years ago this was a negative number. He also noted that the Revolving Loan Fund was currently \$126,542. Two years ago the amount was \$850,000, more than the 30% requirement by DCA.
- B. Larry Vickery, Utilities Administrator gave the Utilities cash report for April, 2019 stating that Calhoun Utilities remained in a good position. Total Operating revenues were \$5,200,792 and total savings and reserves were \$13,534,642. Councilman Denmon made a motion to approve the cash reports as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Crowley gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- C. George Govignon, City Attorney had nothing to report.


11. Motion to move to Executive Session, if needed

12. Motion to return to General Session

13. Motion to Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Council, Mayor Pro Tem Crowley made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Approved:


James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:


Sharon Nelson, City Clerk



Calhoun Utilities

700 West Line Street

Calhoun, GA 30701

"Excellence in Service"

May 14, 2019

Jerry W. Crawford
Water & Sewer Director
City of Calhoun

Re: Recommendation of Award
South Sewer Extension – Project #267

Dear Mr. Crawford:

We have tabulated and reviewed the five (5) bids received May 9, 2019 for the referenced project. Summarized below is a breakdown of the prices included in those bids:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Total Base Bid</u>
Gordy Construction Co.	\$1,776,874.00
Strack, Inc.	\$1,985,592.00
C&S Construction	\$2,374,852.00
K.M. Davis Contracting	\$2,619,973.00
Cleary Construction	\$3,236,243.00

The low bidder's Qualification Statement has been evaluated and approved. Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to Gordy Construction Company in the amount of \$1,776,874.00.

Please let me know should there be any questions.

Yours truly,

David M. Burnett, P.E.
Engineering Manager