

APRIL 8, 1991

7:30 P.M.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COURTROOM, PIEDMONT
STREET

PRESENT: JOHN D. MEADOWS, III, MAYOR
HERBERT KING, MAYOR PRO-TEM
THOMAS BOND, COUNCILMAN
H.A. OLDFIELD, JR., COUNCILMAN
JOHN D. SHELTON, COUNCILMAN

ALSO: JOSEPH CAMPBELL, CITY ATTORNEY
KELLY CORNWELL, DIRECTOR UTILITIES/PUBLIC WORKS
CATHY HARRISON, CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Mayor Meadows called the meeting to order.
2. Councilman Oldfield gave the invocation.
3. Mayor Meadows led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.
4. Minutes of the March 25, 1991 Regular Meeting were approved.
5. Mayor's Comments:
 - a. Mayor Meadows stated he would be serving on the GMA Awards Committee for 1991. Councilman Oldfield made a motion to adopt a resolution to nominate Lyle Jones for the Outstanding City Official Award, 2nd by Councilman Bond with Councilman Oldfield, Councilman Bond, Councilman Shelton and Mayor Pro-Tem King voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - b. Mayor Meadows announced a Public Hearing for a zoning variance of five feet at 360 Piedmont Street by Haley Stephens on April 22, 1991 and an Annexation Hearing for Edsel and Lillie Hooks' Lot No. 1 at Amakanata for R-1 Zoning on May 13, 1991.
 - c. Mayor Meadows stated the purchase of the Great Southern Federal Building had been closed for \$275,000.00 from the Resolution Trust Corporation. He expressed appreciation to Jim Black and Dan Davis regarding the purchase.
6. Council's Comments:
 - a. Mayor Pro-Tem King stated the Depot Committee met on April 1, 1991 and while the Department of Agriculture Loan had not been turned down completely, there was little hope of it being approved. The committee recommended the City do the work in phases as is affordable with the roof being the first phase. The National Endowment of the Arts Grant has been approved for \$10,000.00. Mayor Pro-Tem King encouraged everyone to support the Women's Club effort to raise funds through the annual ball. Mayor Pro-Tem King stated the Water Department pumped 320,459,000 gallons of raw water in March, 1991. The Waste Treatment Department treated a daily average of 10,438,000 gallons in March with B.O.D. effluent being 9, suspended solids being 15 and C.O.D. being 86. The Water/Sewer Construction Departments installed 14 water taps, 3 sewer taps, 1 sprinkler tap, installed 2200 feet of 2 inch PVC water line; 420 feet of 4 inch PVC water line and 1180 feet of 6 inch PVC water line. They completed the relocation of the water line on Highway 53 at Fairmount for D.O.T.
 - b. Councilman Bond stated the Street Department has been patching in several areas, working at the golf course, road and building site preparation and surveying and installing cemetery markers for the last section of Chandler.
 - c. Councilman Oldfield stated the Building Inspector had

issued two residential permits for construction totaling \$91,000.00. The Electric Department sold 18,211,438 KWH of electricity to a customer base of 3596. They performed 28 inspections, set 5 new meters and issued 6 permits in March, 1991.

- d. Councilman Shelton stated the Fire Department answered 24 calls in March, 1991 with damages totaling \$7,550.00. They performed 18 inspections. The Police Department made 207 arrests in March, 1991; 21 being DUI's; collected \$19,765.00 in fines with 48 prisoners serving 217 days in jail. They worked 115 incidents; 76 accidents; answered 71 burglar alarms and provided 167 escorts.

7. Public Hearings and Comments:

- a. Mr. James Fields of Amakanata addressed the Council regarding roaming dogs in the area and asked the Council to enact a Leash Law. Following a discussion of the pros and cons of a Leash Law, the Council stated it would be more appropriate for a full Public Hearing to be set on the matter. The Council stated arrangements would be made to use the County Courthouse and a date for the hearing would be set and advertised.
- b. Mr. J.L. Green of O.K. Auto Sales addressed the Council regarding an annual upgrade of utility deposit for all current city customers. The Council explained the current ordinance requires a minimum deposit equal to two months average usage for commercial and industrial customers. Mr. Green stated his usage had dropped in the last two months due to some lights being removed. The Council stated his account would be reviewed again and the Council would review the legal alternates regarding deposit refunds following a period of satisfactory payment.
- c. Mr. Billy Dills reviewed the newly organized Big Brother/Sister Program with the Council and requested \$2,000.00 in funding. The request was referred to the City Attorney.
- d. A 2nd reading was given to the Dyetron, Inc. Annexation Ordinance Request for approximately 15 acres of the former Harold Bennett property on U.S. Highway 41 North, for C-2 Zoning. A Public Hearing was opened. Councilman Bond stated the Zoning Advisory Board did not have a quorum, but he and Building Inspector Moore reviewed the site. The plans call for construction of a nine hole golf course, par three. They felt the zoning request was appropriate. There were no other comments, and the hearing was closed. Councilman Bond made a motion to waive 3rd and 4th readings and approve for annexation at C-2 zoning, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem King with Councilman Bond, Mayor Pro-Tem King, Councilman Oldfield and Councilman Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.

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8. Old Business: None

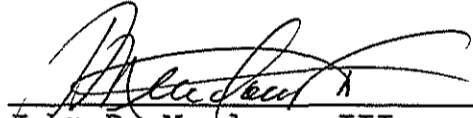
9. New Business:

- a. A 1st reading of an Amusement License Request of Haley Stephens for five machines at 360 Piedmont Street was given. A second reading was scheduled for April 22, 1991.
- b. A 1st reading of the proposed amendments to the Cemetery Trust Agreement was given. A second reading was scheduled for May 13, 1991.
- c. Councilman Oldfield a motion to adopt a resolution allowing the City School Superintendent to schedule the use of the Civic Auditorium; collect rental fees; and maintain the building and grounds. (This action had been

approved earlier in verbal form - not through a written resolution.) 2nd by Councilman Shelton with Councilman Oldfield, Councilman Shelton, Councilman Bond and Mayor Pro-Tem King voting affirmatively, motion carried.

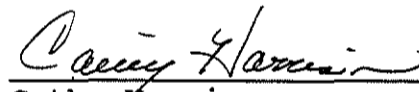
10. No report from Director of Utilities/Public Works, Kelly Cornwell.
11. Harrison reported since the FmHA Economic Development Grant Request of \$50,000.00 for water line improvements off Salem Road had not been funded, a request had been filed with the Department of Natural Resources, along with the GEFA Loan of \$200,000.00. The project cost being estimated at \$250,000.00.
12. Councilman Oldfield made a motion to move to Executive Session for real estate and personnel matters, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem King with Councilman Oldfield, Mayor Pro-Tem King, Councilman Bond and Councilman Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.
13. Councilman Oldfield made a motion to move to General Session, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem King with Councilman Oldfield, Mayor Pro-Tem King, Councilman Bond and Councilman Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.
14. Councilman Oldfield made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Mayor Pro-Tem King with Councilman Oldfield, Mayor Pro-Tem King, Councilman Bond and Councilman Shelton voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:



John D. Meadows, III
Mayor

Submitted:



Cathy Harrison
City Administrator