

**CITY OF CALHOUN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
SEPTEMBER 27, 2004, 7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

**PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
Lorene Potts, Mayor Pro Tem
Ray M. Denmon, Councilman
George R. Crowley, Councilman
David Hammond, Councilman**

**ALSO: William P. Bailey, City Attorney
Kelly Cornwell, Director of Utilities
Eddie Peterson, Director of Public Safety and Public Works
Cathy Harrison, City Administrator**

1. Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.
 - a. Mayor Palmer gave the invocation.
2. Mayor Palmer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
3. Following review, minutes of the September 13, 2004 regular City Council meeting were approved as written on a motion by Councilman Hammond, second by Councilman Denmon, with Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.
4. Mayor's comments:
 - a. Mayor Palmer swore in Becky Mathews, a former 16 year veteran to the City School Board that had agreed to fill the unexpired term of Marc Ethridge through December 2005.
 - b. Mayor Palmer announced that the city would recognize Halloween for children age 12 and under on the evening of Saturday, October 30, 2004 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. He asked that all motorists be extremely careful in residential neighborhoods, since there would be children on streets and sidewalks in large numbers.
 - c. Mayor Palmer introduced Keith Cochran, Risk Management Director, and he and Keith Cochran presented the first safety award to the Sewer Infiltration Crew Director Mark Williamson and Crew Leader Kenneth Hilley. Keith Cochran reported that he had provided information for the Mayor and Council in the form of summaries from 1995 forward, with the 2003 and 2004 years containing pie charts and additional information. He stated in the year 2004, there had been an increase in both vehicular accidents and workers' compensation accidents. For this reason, the safety committee had recommended the presentation of its first award to the department that had put forth extra effort and had taken the mission of safety very seriously. Keith Cochran announced that the safety committee would be considering other departments in the future. Mayor Palmer expressed

appreciation to Keith Cochran and the safety committee. He stated this is a committee consisting of one member from each department. They review each department and file a report of items that are found to be below standards, with a request that they be corrected within a reasonable period of time.

- d. Mayor Palmer reminded the Council of the NLC Conference and registration deadlines and asked if they intended to attend, to please forward that information to the City Administrator.
- e. Mayor Palmer stated he had received notification from GMA that the annual Mayor's Christmas Motorcade to the Northwest Regional Hospital would take place on December 9, 2004. He stated this is an opportunity for the community to bring gifts to City Hall for the motorcade. He stated the gifts will be for patients at Northwest Regional Hospital, several of which are from the Calhoun and Gordon County area. He stated this is an opportunity to remember patients that will receive very little during the holidays. He stated the motorcade will depart from Calhoun at 9:15 a.m. on December 9, 2004.
- f. Mayor Palmer stated the Council will have zoning hearings on October 11, 2004 and on October 25, 2004.
 - 1) Mayor Pro Tem Potts reviewed the following zoning requests scheduled for October 11, 2004:
 - a) A request by John Barrow of Architectural Signing, Inc., agent for Gordon Hospital, for a 40 square foot sign face size variance for the hospital sign.
 - b) A zoning variance request by Susan Hyde for a 5-foot setback variance for the east and west side of a lot at 207 Chandler Street, in order to allow construction of a single-family house with approximately 1,600 square feet.
 - c) A request by North Georgia National Bank for a zero setback variance from the south side easement for a sign at 100 Red Bud Road.
 - d) A request by Haley Stephens for a zoning variance to change the number of required parking spaces from 53 to 47 in the development of property on the west side of Warrior Path.
 - e) A request by Brent Stepp Construction Company, Inc. for rezoning from R-2 to PRD of approximately 17 acres off Laurel Creek Road, for combining with the above-mentioned 40 acre tract. This portion of the PRD project would be for single-family housing on lots averaging 7,500 square feet, as was allowable in the R-2 zoning.
 - 2) Mayor Pro Tem Potts reviewed the following zoning requests scheduled for October 25, 2004:
 - a) A request by Joe Stepp, as agent for Cliff Martin, for zoning of PRD and **annexation** of approximately 40 acres off East Line Street, adjacent to property owned by Bill Pass.
 - b) A request for zoning of C-2 and **annexation** by Buford Wilson for Lot 350 and 351, a part of the property at 920 North Wall Street containing the Dollar General Store.

5. Public Hearings and Comments: **none.**

6. Old business:

a. Mayor Palmer gave a second reading of the amendments to the water and sewer installation policy. Kelly Cornwell reviewed those areas that are proposed for amendment:

1) Director Cornwell reviewed the changes as follows:

a) Under design:

(1) All main water lines shall be minimum 6 inches along Public Rights of Ways, excepting Cul-de-Sacs and all main sewer lines shall be a minimum of 8 inches; and

(2) Acceptable line sizes for potable water shall be 6” and larger with increasing size increments of 2 inches, excepting Cul-de-Sacs. Should 2” water mains be approved, the maximum number of residences or units severed by a single 2” water main shall be fifteen (15).

(3) Site plans for water must include the following:

- Total length of the proposed water lines;
- As-Built drawings must be in digital format: DWG, DXF,DNG, or Terra Model.pro;
- All drawings must be tied to State Plane Coordinates;
- Submit all necessary information required for DOT and Railroad permitting;

(4) Site plans for sewer must include the following:

- Standard Details complying with the City of Calhoun water and sanitary sewer specifications;
- As-Built drawings must be in digital format: DWG, DXF,DNG, or TerraModel.pro;
- All drawings must be tied to State Plane Coordinates
- Submit all necessary information required for DOT and Railroad permitting;

b) Under Extension of Existing Facilities:

If an existing water or sewer main must be extended, a cost estimate based on the current “One Year Unit Price Contract for the Installation of Water Lines and Appurtenances” or the current “One Year Unit Price Contract for the Installation of Sewer Lines and Appurtenances” will be used to determine the cost of the extension. The cost of water line extensions shall be weighted against the total cost of the Cost Recovery and Connection Fees for water service. The cost of sewer line extensions shall be weighted against the total cost of the Cost Recovery and Connection Fees for sewer service. The developer shall pay all cost associated with the extensions above the total of the Cost Recovery and Connection Fees for each respective utility.

c) Under Inspection and Testing:

Testing shall not be conducted until all other utilities are in place.

d) Mayor Palmer stated the earliest date for a second reading of this item would be September 27, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.

2) Following review, Councilman Crowley made a motion to approve the amendments to the water and sewer installation policy. The motion was

seconded by Councilman Hammond, with Councilman Crowley, Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- b. Mayor Palmer gave a second reading of the telecommunications fee resolution amendments, which lowered the rates for telecommunications fees. Director Cornwell reviewed those areas, stating that since the initial development of the telecommunications area and establishment of fees, rates had been lowered industry-wide and this is simply a matter of lowering our rates to be competitive. Mayor Palmer asked if there were any comments or questions. There were none. Councilman Denmon made a motion to approve the telecommunications fee resolution amendments, second by Councilman Crowley, with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley, Councilman Hammond and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

7. New business:

- a. Mayor Palmer stated a public hearing on the 2004 tax millage rate was held at 6:30 on the evening of September 27, 2004, this being the third such public hearing. Mayor Palmer asked Administrator Harrison to review the recommendations for the tax millage for 2004.
 - 1) Harrison stated the city established the amount of funding needed for the city school system and the city in terms of revenue from *ad valorem* taxes in June, when the budget was set. As the tax digest of assessed values was determined by the tax assessor's office, those values indicated an increase from true growth and from reevaluation. Based upon these values and the dollars that were set in the June budget, with an amendment to the school budget in the amount of \$180,000.00 for additional funding, and to include a relatively small amount for both city M&O and school M&O for corrections to the digest, she had advertised the possibility of millage rates in the 5-year history and in the legal advertisements, for a net city M&O tax of 1.5 mills and a city school tax of 14.95 mills, for a total tax millage of 16.45 mills for the tax year 2004. She stated this compares with the tax millage for 2003 at 16.25 mills, for an increase of 0.20, or 1/5th of a mill for the tax year 2004.
 - 2) Mayor Palmer asked the Council if there were any questions or if they had any additional recommendations regarding the school and city M&O millage. There were none.
 - 3) Councilman Crowley made a motion to set the school and city M&O tax millage at a total of 16.45 mills for the tax year 2004. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hammond, with Councilman Crowley, Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- b. Mayor Palmer stated that due to weather conditions, the Gordon Central High School homecoming parade had been canceled and the Alzheimer's Association had requested a replacement parade, making a total of 6 for the year, on a requested date of October 23, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. He stated the request would be subject to DOT approval. The parade would be on the traditional parade route on file with the DOT. Following review, Councilman Denmon made a motion to authorize the Alzheimer's Association parade on October 23, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

on the traditional parade route, subject to DOT approval. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hammond, with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Hammond, Councilman Crowley and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- c. Mayor Palmer stated Director Cornwell had received a review of the bids for the filter renovations at the Mauldin Road water treatment plant and he asked the Director to review those for the Council.

- 1) Director Cornwell stated all bidders had been pre-qualified and the four that had submitted a final bid for the filter renovation were:

Company	Bid
Rehab Construction Company, Inc. of Conyers, GA	\$ 949,000.00
Southern Champion Construction, Inc. of Stone Mountain, GA	1,004,739.00
P. F. Moon & Co., Inc. of Westpoint, GA	1,159,000.00
Western Summit Constuctors, Inc.	1,404,723.00

- 2) The company submitting the low bid, Rehab Construction Company, Inc., was the same company that had provided the pilot project several months earlier for one filter bed. Their earlier work had gone well and based upon the low bid, Director Cornwell and the engineering firm of Peoples & Quigley, Inc. recommended the low bid of \$949,000.00 by Rehab Construction Company, Inc. Mayor Palmer inquired if there were any questions or comments by the Council. There were none. Councilman Hammond made a motion to award the bid, based upon the recommendation of Director Cornwell and the engineering firm of Peoples & Quigley, Inc., to Rehab Construction Company, Inc. for \$949,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Denmon, with Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- 3) Mayor Palmer asked for a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award for the bid and contract. Councilman Denmon made a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award for the Rehab Construction Company, Inc. bid of \$949,000.00, second by Councilman Crowley, with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley, Councilman Hammond and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- d. Mayor Palmer gave a first reading of a beer and wine package license by Yamnua Krupa, Inc., Kishor Shah, Manager, at 400 West Line Street, an existing location. Harrison stated the request was for an application for both beer and wine package, with a request that the license be for January 2005. Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to set public hearing for October 25, 2004 at 7:00 p.m., second by Councilman Hammond, with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon and Councilman Crowley voting affirmatively, motion carried.

8. Other written items not on the agenda:

- a. Mayor Palmer stated the Council had discussions over the last few months in several areas for amendment of the zoning ordinance. He asked Attorney Bailey to review the proposed ordinance amendments.

- 1) Attorney Bailey stated the first area for amendment would be definitions. It would amend the definition of off-premise outdoor advertising signs and

on-premise signs. He stated the off-premise outdoor advertising signs would add the language that it would be a sign not more than 25 feet in height, except as allowed in Section 10.10 of the zoning ordinance, with a maximum sign area of not more than 672 square feet. The language for on-premise signs would be a sign which may, but is not required, to identify advertising or to promote commercial or non-commercial products.

- 2) Attorney Bailey stated the second area that may be amended would be regarding the required parking spaces for uses under retail business and offices, including banks. He stated the code would be changed to allow 3.5 parking spaces for each 1,000 square feet of sales floor for each category.
- 3) Attorney Bailey stated the third area for amendment would be to add minimum square footage of 10,000 square feet for building lots in the Planned Residential Development (PRD) zoning classification, for single-family detached dwellings. He stated previously, there had been no indicated minimum square footage in the PRD zoning.
- 4) Mayor Palmer stated that in order to have sufficient time for advertising and in order for the Council to review those changes publicly over the next few weeks, the hearing would be established for November 8, 2004 at a time when it could be approved. However, the Council would consider all of the items in hearings on October 11, 2004, October 25, 2004 and November 8, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.

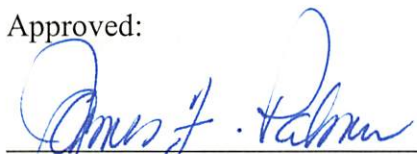
9. Work Reports:

- a. Kelly Cornwell, Director of Utilities: **no report.**
- b. Eddie Peterson, Director of Public Safety and Public Works, stated the soccer lighting project will be proceeding soon and will be advantageous for tournament soccer in Calhoun, Gordon County. Also, the tennis courts will be improved and four additional courts added. He stated these are two other areas that will be improved for use by city and county residents, thanks to the SPLOST and thanks to the voters for their authorization to make improvements in both recreation and transportation. A more complete report by the Director of Public Safety and Public Works is attached as "EXHIBIT A."

10. Mayor Palmer inquired if there was any need to move to Executive Session. There was none.


11. Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to adjourn, second by Councilman Denmon, with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley and Councilman Hammond voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:



Cathy Harrison, City Administrator

“EXHIBIT A”

Report by Eddie Peterson,
Director of Public Safety and Public Works

1. **Curtis Parkway and Laurel Creek Drive:** The traffic signal is operational and school traffic is working pretty good without police officers. Hydro-seeding is complete and we are working on finalizing right-of-way agreements between Stepp, Youmans, Oothcalooga LLC., Ted King and Raymond King.
2. **Traffic Signals:** The traffic signal at SR 156 and SR 136 Connector (National Guard Armory) is operational. The signal at Curtis Parkway and Peters Street should be online by the second week in October 2004.
3. **SPLOST:** The Gordon County Board of Commissioners approved SPLOST monies for the following City of Calhoun requested items;

Recreation...Swimming Pool House Renovations \$56,000. Play Ground equipment \$25,000. Picnic Tables for Pavilion \$5,000. Lighting Soccer Fields \$175,000. Tennis Center \$425,000. Tractor \$13,000. Aluminum Bleachers \$50,000. Total Recreation \$749,000. At the present time we are working with Bob Saylor and Mike Lovely on the Tennis Complex design. Bids are being accepted for the Soccer Fields Lighting project.

Transportation.....Signals at SR 156/136, Curtis Parkway/Laurel, and Curtis Parkway/Peters Street \$125,000. R/W, engineering, construction at Curtis Parkway and Laurel Lane \$357,000. Resurfacing Streets for 2004 \$70,000. Sidewalk demo, curb/gutter, refurbishing, lighting on Park Ave. \$55,000. Total Transportation \$759,200.

4. **Paving List:** We are preparing the following streets for resurfacing. Paving should begin within the next 10 days.

Old Rome Dalton Road	.6 mile
Stewart Drive	.8 mile
Riverview Drive	.4 mile
Jolley Road	.35 mile
Tracy Street	.2 mile

5. **Mohawk Road Project:** Steve Brock, State Aid Coordinator at Cartersville DOT, is working on a preliminary cost estimate for the Mohawk Road Project. He will submit his estimate to Atlanta within the next few days. We will then set an appointment with Commissioner Harold Linnenkohl to discuss a City Contact for funding. Please let me know of possible dates for a meeting with Commissioner Linnenkohl. Kelly has secured right-of-way from Mr. King and we are planning to rebuild a fence on the new boundary. Geo-Hydro has completed the soils analysis and they have indicated there are no particular issues or problems associated with the soils. Their report will be here Sept. 28, 2004.

6. **Firing Range:** The firing range is close to completion. This facility will allow our officers to keep their certification up to date without having to leave town. Other agencies will also have access to the range. The Coosa Valley Technical College Police Academy will also use this facility.
7. **Court at River Street:** We are installing new curb/gutter and sidewalk at this location. There will be a retail office housing a laundry mat and pastry shop at this site. The DOT would not participate in this project but the developer is providing ½ the cost for materials and labor.
8. **Building Permit Applications:** Our application system will go on-line on November 1, 2004. We will then have a separate application and permit for building, HVAC, grading, plumbing, pool, sign, and soil and erosion.
9. **Downtown Brick Pavers and Sidewalk:** We are looking at installing pavers on the west side walk off Wall Street from Lane Bearden's south to Wall Street Trading. This will require a new curb/gutter and demo. We will have a cost estimate by 9-29-04. The sidewalk on Park Ave is also on the list to be refurbished in November 2004.

**CITY OF CALHOUN
GEORGIA**

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the City of Calhoun has established a telecommunications department; and

WHEREAS, approximately 40 miles of fiber-optic lines are in place and ready to serve internal and external customers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Calhoun is restricted by the Public Service Commission regarding rate structure and the need to charge each customer for service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the City of Calhoun hereby authorize the following rates, which have been developed over the past twelve months, as follows:

Internet Pricing:

Speed	Monthly Fee
512 K	\$ 99.00
768 K	300.00
1.5 M	450.00

Internet Services:

Additional Internet Services	Monthly Fee	Description
Public IP Address	\$ 5.00	
Web Hosting (Includes Domain)	20.00	100 Meg HD Space
E-Mail (self administered)*	1.00	Per account - \$5.00 minimum
E-Mail (Calnet administered)	2.50	Per account - \$5.00 minimum

* Available with personal domain name only.

Voice and Data Services:

Service	Monthly Fee
Local Point-to-point T-1 Service (1.5M)	\$ 300.00
10 Mbit Ethernet Circuit (Local)	600.00
10 Mbit Ethernet Circuit (To Dalton)	1,200.00
100 Mbit Ethernet Circuit (Local)	1,100.00
100 Mbit Ethernet Circuit (To Dalton)	2,250.00
Dark Fiber Lease (Multi-Mode)	250.00
Local Loop to Finish T-1	225.00

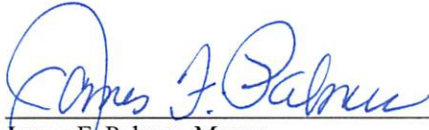
Governmental:

Telephone, Internet and data services are provided at the above rates. The rates vary based on new equipment added and increased customer base added.

THESE RATES shall be effective from the date of adoption until amended.

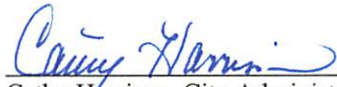
ADOPTED this the 27th day of September 2004.

City of Calhoun, Georgia



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Attest:



Cathy Harrison, City Administrator

**OATH OF OFFICE
CITY SCHOOL BOARD**

“I, Becky Mathews, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will truly perform to the best of my abilities the duties of Calhoun Board of Education Member, Post 3, by adopting and enforcing such measures as in my judgment shall be best calculated to promote the educational needs of the inhabitants of the City of Calhoun and the common interest thereof.”

This, the 27th day of September 2004.

Becky Mathews

City of Calhoun, Georgia

Proclamation

Whereas, the City of Calhoun Fire Department responds to more than 700 calls for service per year; and

Whereas, home fires claimed more than 2,600 lives in the United States in 2002, more than all other natural disasters combined; and

Whereas, 79 percent of fire deaths nationwide happen in the home; and

Whereas, the City of Calhoun recognizes the significant personal and economic toll fire takes on its citizens; and

Whereas, the City of Calhoun understands that safety measures can significantly cut the risk of fire; and

Whereas, a fire can spread rapidly and a quick escape from the home increases the chances of survival; and

Whereas, Smoke alarms have been proven an effective life-saver, having helped to cut the home fire death rate by one half since their introduction to the general public; and

Whereas, Working smoke alarms are essential in every household and should be installed on every level of a home, including the basement and outside of each sleeping area; and

Whereas, the City of Calhoun is joining the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) in reaching out to its citizens with a message of fire safety during National Fire Prevention Week 2004; and

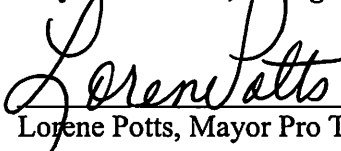
Whereas, The Fire Prevention Week 2004 theme, "It's Fire Prevention Week: Test Your Smoke Alarms" is an important message for all citizens of the City of Calhoun; and

I, Lorene Potts, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Calhoun, Georgia, do hereby proclaim the week of October 3 through 9, 2004, as Fire Prevention Week. This week is commemorated nationally and supported by the public safety efforts of fire departments, schools and other safety advocates, in conjunction with NFPA,

I call upon the people of the City of Calhoun to remember the Fire Prevention 2004 reminder, "It's Fire Prevention Week: Test Your Smoke Alarms" and urge all citizens to heed advice to install and maintain smoke alarms.

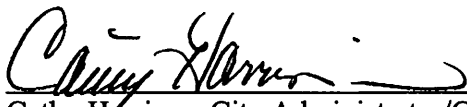
IN WITNESS HEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 27th day of September, the year two thousand and four.

City of Calhoun, Georgia



Lorene Potts, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest:



Cathy Harrison, City Administrator/Clerk

**CITY OF CALHOUN, GEORGIA
AND CITY SCHOOL BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING ON *AD VALOREM* TAX INCREASE
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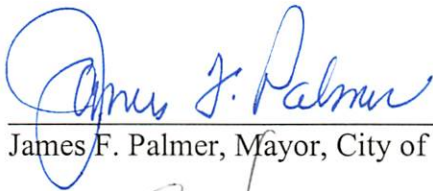
PRESENT: **Ed Moyer, Vice-chairman, City School Board
Amy Atkinson, City School Board
Tony Swink, City School Board
Judy Neal, City School Superintendent
Donald Hood, City School Finance Officer
Ray M. Denmon, City Councilman
George R. Crowley, City Councilman
James F. Palmer, Mayor, City of Calhoun
Cathy Harrison, City Administrator**

1. Vice-chairman Ed Moyer called the meeting to order. The board remained available for citizens until 6:40 p.m. However, no one arrived. The School Board was prepared to provide a review of the 5-year history and to address the proposed .20 mill increase in city school *ad valorem* taxes. The city was prepared to review the city's five year history for M&O tax.
2. The hearing was adjourned at approximately 6:41 p.m.

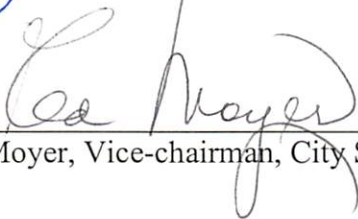
Submitted:



Cathy Harrison, City Administrator, City of Calhoun



James F. Palmer, Mayor, City of Calhoun



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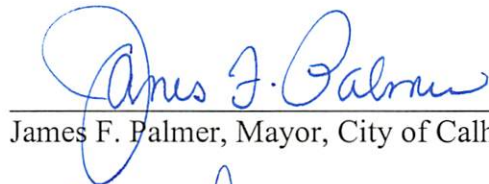
**Al Edwards, Chairman, City School Board
Amy Atkinson, City School Board
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Ed Moyer, City School Board
Judy Neal, City School Superintendent
Donald Hood, City School Finance Officer
Cathy Harrison, City Administrator**

1. Chairman Edwards called the meeting to order. The board remained available for citizens until 5:50 p.m. However, no one arrived. The School Board was prepared to provide a review of the 5-year history and to address the proposed .20 mill increase in city school *ad valorem* taxes. The city was prepared to review the city's five year history for M&O tax.
2. The hearing was adjourned at approximately 5:50 a.m.

Submitted:



Cathy Harrison, City Administrator, City of Calhoun



James F. Palmer, Mayor, City of Calhoun



Al Edwards, Chairman, City School Board

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PRESENT: **Al Edwards, Chairman, City School Board
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Tony Swink, City School Board
Ed Moyer, City School Board
Judy Neal, City School Superintendent
Donald Hood, City School Finance Officer
George R. Crowley, City Councilman
Cathy Harrison, City Administrator**

1. Chairman Edwards called the meeting to order. The board remained available for citizens until 10:17 a.m. However, no one arrived. The Board was prepared to provide a presentation regarding their 5-year history of *ad valorem* tax, and in reference to the proposed .20 mill increase in the city M&O school tax, and the city was prepared to review the city's five year history.

2. The hearing was adjourned at approximately 10:17 a.m.


Submitted:



Cathy Harrison, City Administrator, City of Calhoun



George R. Crowley, Councilman, City of Calhoun



Al Edwards, Chairman, City School Board