



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 - 7:00 PM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM**

MINUTES

PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
Ray Mitchell Denmon, Councilman
Al Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem
Ed Moyer, Councilman
Jackie Palazzolo, Councilwoman

ALSO: Paul Worley, City Administrator; Kyle Ellis, Utilities Administrator; George Govignon, City Attorney; Christy Nicholson, Calhoun Police Department; Lenny Nesbitt, Fire Chief; Matt Silvers, Municipal Court

1. **Council Meeting Called to Order**

Welcome

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

Invocation

Mayor Pamer 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**

Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the September 11, 2023 agenda as presented. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

4. **Amendment or Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember Moyer made a motion to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of August 28, 2023. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to approve the executive session minutes of the City Council meeting of August 28, 2023. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

5. **Mayor's Comments**

A. Mayor Palmer announced that the third and final public hearing on the 2023 millage rate was held this evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Depot Community Room.

6. **Council Comments**

A. Councilwoman Palazzolo submitted August reports as follows:

1) **Water and Sewer Operations**

Water Treatment Plant

- Total gallons withdrawn: 407,210,000
- Daily average: 13,135,806
- Wells: 104,350,000
- Big Springs: 48,580,000
- % produced by Brittany Drive: 37.6%
 - Brittany Dr. daily production to capacity: 41.80%
 - Mauldin Rd. daily production to capacity: 51.26%
 - Rainfall for August – 6.89"

Waste Water Treatment Plant

- Treated a daily average of 5.869 MGD, with an average BOD effluent of 3, average suspended effluent of 12, and an average COD of 42.

Water Distribution & Wastewater Collection

- 341 work orders completed, 36 new water connections, 30 water service leaks repaired, 23 water main leaks repaired, 8 water services changed to new main lines, 117 meter changes, 74 utility locates called in for work orders, 635 utility locates responses.
- 2,600 feet of Sanitary Sewer Services TV inspected, 514 utility locates completed, 4,650 feet sanitary sewer lines cleaned, 6 new sewer connections installed, 3 sanitary sewer services repaired.

2) **Water and Sewer Construction**

Projects Under Construction

- Piedmont Street Water Line Replacement Project- This project includes replacing the water main on Piedmont St. behind the courthouse before road resurfacing is performed later this year. Construction began May 31st and is 95% complete. As of now, repaving is still scheduled for the fall.
- SR 136 @ Coosawattee Bridge Water Relocation - This project includes moving the water main on SR 136 so that the Coosawattee River bridge can be replaced. Materials have been delivered.
- Service Line Inventory – As mandated by the EPA, every water system in the USA has to identify and develop a service line inventory of all

services found within their water distribution system. This project is now underway. Surveys have gone out for public participation and field identification will begin later this month.

Projects in Design & Development

- Water Tank Inspection & Evaluation Project
- Redbud Road & Wall Street Water & Sewer Relocation Project
- Peters St. Phase III Water Relocation
- Curtis Pkwy Water & Sewer Relocation
- SR 53 & Brown Lee Mtn. Water Relocation
- Brittany Dr & Water Booster Stations Standby Generator Project
- GBI McDaniel Station Rd Sewer Extension
- Engineering Department is Actively Working on Approximately 30 Plan Reviews & Inspections for Developments.
- Proposals are being reviewed to evaluate engineering services to design treatment plant modifications for future emerging contaminant limits.

3) **Library**

- There are 12,805 library card holders, 5,494 library visitors, and 6,811 total circulation.
- There were 292 story time attendance, 250 adult program attendance, 100 new users, 1,296 e-books, 1,332 audio books, 538 computer logins, and 29,515 Facebook visits.

B. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards submitted August reports as follows:

1) **Police Department**

- Made 447 cases with 1 DUI
- Fines collected by Municipal Court - \$36,087.85
- Issued 375 warnings
- Investigated 70 highway accidents, 25 private property accidents
- Obstruction - 6
- Lethal Weapon Encounter - 3
- Alarm responses - 149
- Miles patrolled: 51,493

2) **Municipal Court**

- Total Court cases- 320
- Court cases dropped- 42
- Number of Bond forfeitures- 157
- Number of Probation cases- 8
- Failure to appear- 26
- Subpoenas served-0

3) **Fire Department**

242 Total Reported Calls for Service for the Suppression Division

<i>Type of Dispatched Calls</i>	Number of Dispatched Calls
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<i>Structure Fires</i>	3
<i>Mobile Property Fire (Vehicle)</i>	0
<i>Natural Vegetation</i>	0
Total Fire Calls	3

<i>Rescue Emergency Medical Call</i>	115
<i>Medical Assist</i>	13
<i>Motor Vehicle Accidents</i>	14
<i>Search for Lost Person</i>	1
<i>Water or Ice Related Rescue</i>	5
<i>Rescue / Extrication</i>	2
Total Medical Calls	150

<i>Arcing / Short Circuit Electrical Equipment</i>	3
<i>Attempted Burning / Illegal Burn</i>	1
<i>Biological Hazard</i>	1
<i>Structure Collapse</i>	1
<i>Electrical Wiring / Equipment Problem</i>	2
<i>Gas Leak</i>	2
<i>Hazardous Condition Other</i>	1
<i>Power Line Down</i>	2
<i>Vehicle Accident / General Cleanup</i>	2
Total Hazardous Conditions Incidents (No Fire)	14

<i>Lock Out</i>	1
<i>Public Service Assistance</i>	1
<i>Service Call</i>	1
<i>Unauthorized Burning</i>	2
<i>Total Service / Good Intent Calls</i>	4
<i>Dispatched and Canceled En-Route</i>	33
<i>Good Intent Call</i>	2
<i>Hazmat Release Investigation</i>	1
<i>No Incident Found at Dispatch Location</i>	2
<i>Smoke Scare Odor of Smoke</i>	1
<i>Steam Other Gas Mistaken for Smoke</i>	1
<i>CO Alarm Activation</i>	1
<i>System or Detector Malfunction</i>	5
<i>Unintentional System / Detector Operation (No Fire)</i>	5
<i>False Alarm or False Calls Other</i>	10
<i>Total False Alarms or False Calls</i>	61
<i>Flood Assessment</i>	4
<i>Wind Storm Assessment</i>	1
<i>Severe Weather and Natural Disaster Calls</i>	5

Monthly Fire Suppression Activities and Accomplishments

- 8/7/2023 – Recruit class began with 10 candidates. We currently have 9 recruits (7 full time and 2 Alternates) working towards 8 open positions
- 8/28/2023 –C Shift ran 23 calls for service during their 24 hour shift.
- These included 1 structure fire caused by lightning strike, and water rescues from structures and vehicles due to the heavy rains from the storm that night. Approximately 30 persons were removed from structures, primarily from the Jolly Road area, and placed in a shelter at Heritage Baptist Church.
- Estimated structural water damage costs are approximately 2.5 million dollars per Emergency Management damage assessment software and Gordon County tax records. There are additional

properties that are still being reported and GEMA / Small Business Administration is to be in our area next week for possible low interest loans and assistance after their assessment. CFD will have personnel with them while they are here.

Fire Inspection – Public Safety Education – Code Enforcement Division

Inspections and Enforcement Activities

<i>Annual Inspections</i>	30
<i>New Business Inspections</i>	1
<i>Requested Inspections</i>	23
<i>Follow Up, Re-Inspections</i>	10
<i>Burn Site Inspections</i>	2
<i>Plan Review</i>	5
<i>Pre-Construction Meeting</i>	0
<i>Sprinkler Permits Issued</i>	0
<i>Fuel Tank Permit (Install, Removal, or Service)</i>	0
<i>Consultations</i>	18
<i>Illegal Burning Citations</i>	0
<i>Fire Extinguisher Classes</i>	1
<i>Fire Drills</i>	0
<i>Fire Prevention Programs</i>	0
<i>Zoning / Annexation Meetings</i>	1
<i>Total Inspection – Public Safety Education – Code Enforcement Activities</i>	91

Monthly Fire Inspections – Public Safety Education – Code Enforcement Division Activities and Accomplishments

- Inspections met with architect for Fire Admin building at 325 South Wall for plans approval.
- Duval attended City Safety Meeting.

- Conducted Fire Extinguisher class for Holiday Inn Express and Home 2 Suites employees (20 students).
- Attended ePlan Solutions meeting with Community Development Department.
- Attended Zoning meeting.

Training and Special Operations Division

Monthly Training Hours

<i>Company Training</i>	2645.00
<i>Facility Training</i>	177.00
<i>Officer Training</i>	31.00
<i>Driver Training</i>	61.00
<i>Specialized Rescue Training</i>	5.00
<i>Hazardous Materials Training</i>	0.00
<i>Medical Training</i>	78.00
<i>Fire Inspector Training</i>	0.00
<i>Fire Investigation Training</i>	0.00
<i>Fire and Life Safety Educator Training</i>	0.00
<i>Total Monthly Training Hours</i>	2997.00

2023 Annual Training Hours

<i>Company Training</i>	8192.50
<i>Facility Training</i>	657.00
<i>Officer Training</i>	284.00
<i>Driver Training</i>	173.00
<i>Specialized Rescue Training</i>	66.00
<i>Hazardous Materials Training</i>	378.00
<i>Medical Training</i>	399.00
<i>Fire Inspector Training</i>	48.00
<i>Fire Investigation Training</i>	66.00
<i>Fire and Life Safety Educator Training</i>	0.00

Total 2023 Annual Training Hours

10263.50

Monthly Training and Special Operations Team Accomplishments

- August 1st, 2023 – Engineer Kidd successfully completed his strategy and tactics promotional exam.
- August 4th, 2023 – Lieutenant Silvers and Firefighter Hall successfully completed GPSTC Fire Instructor I Course and obtained their NPQ Instructor I certifications.
- August 7th, 2023 – Recruit Class 07 began with 10 recruits.
- August 8th, 2023 – Attended EMS Quality Review Committee Meeting
- August 9th, 2023 – CPR and Emergency Preparedness Training provided to Jehovah Witness Tabernacle.
- August 11th, 2023 – CPR Training provided to First Baptist Church of Calhoun.
- August 16th, 2023 – Battalion Chief Green, Lieutenant Daniels, Lieutenant Mills, and Engineer Kidd successfully obtained their NPQ Evaluator Certification through Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Council.
- August 18th, 2023 – Provided Fire Extinguisher and Emergency Preparedness training to local hotels.

Upcoming Important Training and Special Operations Activities

Hosted at CFD Training Facilities

- September 5th, 2023 – Georgia Emergency Management Emergency Planning Course
- September 11th, 2023 – Georgia Public Safety Training Center Fire Department Supervision Course
- September 15th, 2023 – Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Firefighter I Certification Testing
- September 18th, 2023 – Georgia Public Safety Training Center Handling Flammable and Combustible Liquids
- September 20th, 2023 – Georgia Public Safety Training Center Pressurized Container Fire Control Instructor Course
- September 20th, 2023 – Georgia Public Safety Training Center Pressurized Container Fire Control Course
- September 21st, 2023 – Georgia Public Safety Training Center Crash Victim Extrication Course
- September 25th, 2023 – Georgia Public Safety Training Center Structural Fire Control Course

4) Safety Committee

- The safety topic of discussion this month was Workplace Safety.

Safety inspections were performed at the library and all Utilities buildings.

- Vehicle accidents: 1
- Workers' compensation: 0

C. Councilman Denmon submitted August reports as follows:

1) **Public Works**

Street Department

1. Completed 28 shop and 29 street dept. work orders.
2. Installed 5 new street signs.
3. Repaired utility cuts and pot holes around using a total of 8 tons of asphalt.
4. Repaired a section of sidewalk on Peters Street.

Cemetery

1. Performed routine maintenance on Fain and Chandler cemetery.
2. Supervised the opening and closing of 7 grave sites.
3. Sold 5 new grave spaces.

Parks Department

1. The grounds crew picked up litter, mowed, trimmed bushes, hauled garbage to the dump, and maintained records at records room.
2. The maintenance crew maintained designated buildings downtown.
3. Repaired a broken door lock at the library.

Animal Control

- Housed 21 dogs and 10 cats
- Number of dogs adopted: 2
- Number of cats adopted: 0
- Number of dogs rescued: 2
- Number of cats rescued: 6
- Number of dogs reclaimed by owner: 5
- Number of cats reclaimed by owner: 0
- Number of dogs euthanized: 0
- Number of cats euthanized: 0
- Number of warnings given: 27
- Number of bite cases: 0
- Citations issues: 0

2) **Recreation Department**

1. **FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION** – Registration for fall sports concluded in August for Football, Cheerleading, Soccer, Girls Volleyball, Cross Country and Adult Softball.

Registration Numbers:

Football – 191 participants
Cheerleading-83 participants
Soccer – 437 participants

Girls Volleyball – 91 participants
Cross-Country – 24

**** Participation for Fall Sports increased by 156 participants from Fall '22**

Football Practices began – August 14
Soccer Practices began – August 21
Volleyball Practices began – August 10

Youth Football Opening Day – September 11
Cross-Country Opening Day – September 9
Youth Soccer Opening Day – September 11
Girls Volleyball Opening Day – September 5

Fall Adult Softball – There are 5 teams registered to participate in the Fall league. The league will begin games September 14.

2. SPECIAL EVENT:

Bark in the Park: Bark in the Park was held Saturday, August 26. There were 22 dogs that participated in the planned events including poster dog for 2024. Paw Angels brought out several dogs that were available for adoption. There were six vendors set up and 100 plus dog enthusiasts enjoyed the morning with their pets. Donations of dog food, towels, and treats were received by those that attended this event.

3. RENTALS – The following facilities were reserved throughout the month for special events:

Playground Pavilion -3 events Ratner Pavilion – 3 events
Recreation Center
Meeting Room – 7 event
Community Room – 4 events
Gym – 2 events

POOL -

General Admission – 605
pool closed on weekdays August 3 and remained open on Saturdays through August 27.
Pool Parties – 13 parties

4. TENNIS

Flex League Play – 100 participants
Combo 18 and over 40 plus leagues – 75 participants
MAP Tennis – Saturdays
League Play – Mon – Fri – 14 courts 7:00pm – 9:00pm; Sat. 10:00am – 2:00pm

5. PARKS –

The following tasks were completed throughout the month:

- Parks mowed and groomed weekly
- Prepared practice fields for football and soccer
- Pressure washed soccer and softball buildings
- Prepared high school softball field for games
- Prepared middle school softball field for games
- Prepared Fields for Friday Night One Pitch Tournaments
- Weeded flower beds at new complex
- Sprayed Football Complex Bleachers for wasp
- Groomed grounds at Recreation Center and Tennis Center weekly
- Pool Maintenance daily
- Laid out and painted middle school football practice field

6. **WEBSITE USAGE:**

CalhounRec.com	Facebook
2,550– Sessions	5,514 – Post Engagements
8 – Post	25 - Posts
1,70- Users	31,060 - reached
4,878 – Page Views	4,777 – Page Views

3) **Downtown Development Authority**

The DDA & HPC held their regularly scheduled meetings. The Farmer's Market is at the Depot from 10 AM-2PM on Monday's & Thursdays through the end of September. The HAC and DDA Summer Concert Series next show will be September 21st from 6 PM – 9 PM at the City of Calhoun Park. It will be featuring local band Curiosity Shoppe. The DDA & HPC are working on a joint project to install solar boxes downtown. They will feature various landmarks and each box will have local historian Jim Lay speaking about the history of each space. The art work for the electric boxes was submitted to GDOT. One of the sidewalk cafés for downtown restaurants was installed at Doro's. The next one will be at the Sweet Table. The DDA installed fencing for the dumpsters in the Park Avenue parking lot. The DDA is partnering with Calhoun High School's graphic design program to design new banners for downtown.

D. Councilman Moyer submitted August reports as follows:

1) **Electric Department**

- The LED Streetlight upgrade continues around the City.
- Electrical Engineering continues for the new Mavis Tire and Brakes, I-75 crossing for Home to Suites Hotel, City of Calhoun building and planning building and Coosa Valley Federal Credit Union.
- Construction continues on the 53 Townhomes at Old Mill, Lincoln Properties, Home to Suites Hotel on Lovers Lane and Mattress Firm. The

Electric Dept is continuing system upgrades necessary for the new growth and increased reliability.

- Construction also continues for the Exchange Apartments, Manor Lake Cottages of Calhoun on Curtis Parkway, Seefried Ind.

WORK ORDERS IN PROCESS OR COMPLETED FOR JUNE:

• NEWLY CREATED	125
• COMPLETED AND CLOSED	123
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• CONSISTING OF:	
• CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION	34
• DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE	6
• OUTAGES / TROUBLE CALLS	19
• SECURITY / STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE	5
• TEMPORARY POWER HOOK UP	3
• WORK FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS	40
• NEW METER SETS	7
• METER MAINTENANCE/REPLACEMENT	23
• ELECTRIC LOCATE TICKETS PROCESSED-	274

The City of Calhoun’s Electrical load for August 2023 is about 36 million kilowatt hours (kWh’s).

We would like to give a shout out to the 9 men from the Electric Department who responded to Mutual Aid for the City of Thomasville and The City of Quitman. Thank you for lending a hand in a time of need after Hurricane Idalia.

2) Telecommunications

- Connect four internet customers and one point-to-point customer.
- Added 50 megabytes of hard drive space to email server.
- Released Employee Self Service (ESS) instructions to entire employee base. ESS allows employees to review payroll advises, make changes to payroll and personal HR data.
- Installed four computers and two printers.
- Lightning from storm on August 6th took out four customers’ service electronics, a network switch, and caused power loss at disaster recover site.
- Lightning from storm on August 28th took out one customer’s service electronics and required rebooting several city network switches to restore service.
- Received equipment and restored Wi-Fi service at the Police Department from lightning strike on July 21st.

- One of Recreation's camera systems has failed. Most likely a lightning issue.
- Upgraded financial software to the latest generally available version. A version upgrade is now required to be done once a year.
- Renewed email server certificate.
- Replaced failed hard drives on two different servers.
- Opened 13 and closed 17 work orders.

Geographic Information Systems

- Working with Engineering Department on new Service Line Inventory project.
- Generated Electric Usage Reports
- Updated data and mapping for the following:
 - Water system and meter updates
 - Fiber
 - Zoning
 - Fire Department pre-plans for building
- Updated Physical addressing, building and billing information.
- Updated City and GIS web sites.

3) Building Inspections

- Issued 175 permits for an estimated cost of \$25,320,532, collected \$28,360 in permit fees. This included 8 new residential, 5 residential remodel, 2 new commercial, 2 commercial remodel, 0 new industrial, 0 industrial remodel, 61 residential plumbing, 28 residential electrical, 38 residential HVAC, 3 commercial plumbing, 3 commercial electrical, 2 commercial HVAC, 1 industrial plumbing, 1 industrial electrical, and 3 industrial HVAC. 488 total inspections.

7. Public Hearing and Comments

Announce at this time, public hearings will be held. The public will have the opportunity to make pro and con comments with a ten minute maximum time limit for each side of the matter, with each person giving their name and address. An inquiry should be made to determine if any elected official has filed a disclosure statement regarding ownership or special interest in any of the agenda items. Zoning Land Use Maps on display in Council Chambers for Zoning Advisory Board and Council hearings.

A. Public hearing of an annexation and zoning request of C-2 for 0.45 acres located 306 Highway 53 (057-128), by 7B Calhoun Dev LLC.

- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
- City Administrator Worley gave the report on legal requirements and notices stating that all had been met.

- Mayor Pro Tem Edwards gave the report on the Zoning Advisory Board stating that the board recommended approval of the annexation and zoning request.
 - Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments beginning with the applicant.
 - Becky White, of 127 Kenmoreland Drive, owner of one of the adjoining properties spoke in support of the annexation stating that she was excited to see the old rundown building demolished.
 - There being no other comments, Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing and called for a motion concerning the annexation request. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the zoning request of C-2. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- B. Public hearing of an annexation and zoning request of R-1B for 0.69 acres located at 179 Kentucky Drive (066-062), by Blanche Gaston.
- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
 - City Administrator Worley gave the report on legal requirements and notices stating that all had been met.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Edwards gave the report on the Zoning Advisory Board stating that the board recommended approval of the annexation and zoning request.
 - Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments beginning with the applicant.
 - There being none, Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing and called for a motion concerning the annexation request.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the annexation request. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the zoning request of R-1B. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- C. Public hearing of an annexation and zoning request of R-1B for 1.75 acres located on the corner of Linda Lane and Cherry Street (055-234 & 055-235), by Habitat for Humanity of Gordon County.
- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
 - City Administrator Worley gave the report on legal requirements and notices stating that all had been met.
 - Mayor Pro Tem Edwards gave the report on the Zoning Advisory Board stating that the board recommended approval of the annexation and zoning request for both parcels.
 - Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments beginning with the applicant.
 - There being none, Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing and called for a motion concerning the annexation request for parcel 055-234.

- Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the annexation request. Councilmember Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the zoning request of R-1B for parcel 055-234. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the annexation request for parcel 055-235. Councilmember Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the zoning request of R-1B for parcel 055-235. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

D. Public hearing of amendments to certain sections of Part 2, Appendix A – Zoning, Article VI-General Provisions of the Code of Ordinances to increase the minimum requirements for off-street parking spaces, single-family parking spaces, drive-thru and stacking lanes.

- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
- City Administrator Worley gave the report on legal requirements and notices stating that all had been met.
- Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments beginning with the applicant.
- There being none, Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing and called for a motion concerning the ordinance amendment.
- Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to adopt the ordinance as amended. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

8. Old Business

- A. Mayor Palmer gave the second reading of amendments to certain sections of Part II- Code of Ordinances, Chapter 90 – Traffic, Article V – Stopping, Standing and Parking, Division 1 – Generally, Section 90-116- Parking for Certain Purposes Prohibited, to better control and regulate the use of public parking spaces for greater availability in the Downtown Development District, the Calhoun Business District, and the municipal Historic District. The public hearing will be September 25th.
- B. Mayor Palmer gave the second reading of a beer, wine and distilled spirits pouring license at a location of 117 South Wall Street by Calhoun Coffee Company, LLC. The owner, Loren Deperro, will also serve as the store manager. The public hearing will be September 25th.
- C. Mayor Palmer stated that a motion was needed to approve or deny the 2023 proposed millage rates for the City of Calhoun and Calhoun City Schools. The City of Calhoun proposed millage rate is 3.20. The Calhoun City Schools proposed millage rollback rate is 15.873. Councilmember Moyer made a motion to approve the millage rates for the City of Calhoun and Calhoun City Schools. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

9. **New Business**

- A. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of an annexation and zoning request from County to R-1B for 0.3415 acres, at a location of Circle Drive (040-023), by Felipe Paez Martinez. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held October 5th and the public hearing on October 9th.
- B. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of an annexation and zoning request from County to R-1B for 0.3415 acres, at a location of Circle Drive (040-023A), by Felipe Paez Martinez. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held October 5th and the public hearing on October 9th.
- C. Mayor Palmer stated that a motion was needed concerning the appointment for City Marshal and Municipal Court Clerk. Mayor Palmer congratulated Randy Jackson on his retirement and thanked him for his 48 years of service to the City of Calhoun. City Administrator Worley recommended Matt Silvers who has 23 years of experience as Deputy City Marshal, and for Melissa Bowers to continue serving as the Municipal Court Clerk. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to appoint Matt Silvers as the City Marshal and Melissa Bowers as the Court Clerk. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- D. Mayor Palmer read a special event request by Tundra Taylor, Calhoun Homerun Club, for the Halloween Hustle 5K Race, on October 21, 2023. Setup will begin at 6:30 AM and breakdown at 12:00 Noon. The race will begin at Yellow Jacket Drive then cross Pine Street to the Recreation Department, then back to Yellow Jacket Drive, requiring the closing of a small portion of Pine Street from 7:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Approval not required by DDA. Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to approve the request. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- E. Mayor Palmer read a manager change request from Long Horn Steakhouse of Calhoun #5302. The prior manager was Amber Martin and the proposed new manager is Mara Bennett. Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the manager change. Councilmember Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- F. Mayor Palmer read a request from Municipal Court to surplus a 2008 Ford E350 Van on GovDeals. Vin # 1FTSS34S38DA69110. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

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

11. **Work Reports**

- A. Paul Worley, City Administrator had nothing to report.
- B. Kyle Ellis, Utilities Administrator had nothing to report.

C. George Govignon, City Attorney had nothing to report.

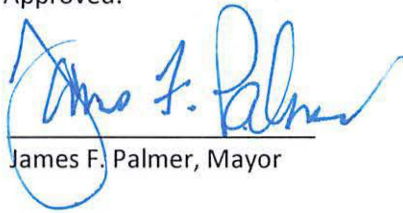
12. Motion to move to Executive Session, if needed

13. Motion to return to General Session

14. Motion to Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Approved:



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:



Sharon Nelson, City Clerk