

February 26, 1962
Calhoun, Georgia

City Council met in regular session at the city hall with all members present.

Mr. Marvin Taylor was present at the meeting and opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the clerk and approved by the council.

Mr. Marvin Taylor, Administrator of the Gordon County Hospital, was present at the meeting and stated to the council that the bids to the Hospital Authority for the new addition were higher than expected. Also, a decision had been made to add additional rooms in the basement of the new addition due to the low cost while other construction was being carried on. Mr. Taylor stated the county had furnished the amount of \$40,000 and the hospital had furnished \$30,000 from its operating fund. Mr. Taylor stated the hospital needed to replace the operating fund and ask the City of Calhoun for aid in the amount of \$5,000 to \$6,000. This money could be paid over a period of time that would suit the City of Calhoun. The council decided to take the matter under consideration and see what could be worked out by the next meeting.

Mr. Donald Bearden and Mr. Ray Duncan were present at the meeting and requested permission for a license to install a baseball batting range on the Tom Robertson property on Pine Street. Mayor Dickinson appointed Alderman Jerry King chairman of the license committee to look into the matter and report at the next meeting.

Mr. Henry Mauldin requested permission to set a liquid fertilizer tank on Harlan Street between the Bond Coal Yard and the Burdette-Fain Building Supply. After discussion there was some question of who owned the land between Harlan Street and the railroad property. Council decided to let the city attorney look into the matter before making a decision.

Mr. Clifford Smith was present and requested permission from the city to lease the park area in front of his beverage store. This land was now owned by the L&N Railroad and leased to the City of Calhoun. After discussion the council decided to let the city attorney and the railroad attorney look into the lease and see what the requirements were and see if the land could be sub-leased to an individual.

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Alderman John Lewis recommended to the council that three additional members be appointed to the Calhoun-Gordon County Planning Commission. Mr. Lewis suggested that a member be appointed from Plainville, Sugar Valley, Fairmount. Mr. Lewis also suggested that the City of Calhoun contact the Coosa Valley Area Planning and Development Commission and ask for assistance in working out the following items: a subdivision ordinance, a zoning ordinance, parking problem, and establishment of a personnel department with a set of qualification test for present and future city employees.

Alderman John Lewis made a motion that the city contribute \$200 to the Calhoun-Gordon County Planning Commission. This motion received a second from Alderman Tom B. David and was voted on and passed.

The Council agreed that the City of Calhoun would observe the following legal holidays: Christmas, July 4th, New Years, and Thanksgiving. *LABOR DAY -*

Alderman Lewis suggested to the fire department that all radio calls be kept in a radio log. Alderman Woods stated this would be started immediately.

Alderman Lewis suggested that the city require more garbage cans in the residential areas and notify the merchants to clean up the alley's behind their places of business.

Alderman King reported that he had checked into the proposed skating rink to be run by Mr. J. C. Baxter and his wife and had found nothing but favorable reports on Mr. and Mrs. Baxter. Mr. King made a motion that a license be granted Mr. Baxter at a cost of \$25.00 to operate a skating rink in the Fred Daves building on King Street. This motion received a second from Alderman Lewis was voted on and passed.

Alderman King and Alderman David reported that a number of sites for a landing strip had been looked at but no further action had been taken. Mr. King reported that the federal government would pay for the paving of a strip when the land had been purchased and grading finished.

Alderman King reported that Mr. Frank Johnson had requested the city to pave an area five feet wide in front of his house since rocks from the area had broken out the windows in his house. The council instructed city Supt. James S. Owens to look into the matter.

Alderman David made a motion that the city pay water and light bills in the amount of \$108.25 for the Calhoun Recreation Department. This motion received a second from Alderman Lewis voted on and passed.

Alderman David ask the council if the girl scout room in the civic center could be leased out to an individual for a day nursery. The council decided against the leasing of the property.

Alderman David reported that a Civil Defense Fire Training School would be held at Forrest Park, Georgia on April 10th, 11th and 12th. Mr. David suggested that the Calhoun Fire Department attend the meeting.

Mayor Dickinson read letters from the First Methodist Church and from the Gordon County Medical Society in appreciation of action taken by the council at prior meetings. Alderman Lewis made a motion that copies of the letter from Gordon County Medical Society be sent to the funeral homes. This motion received a second from Alderman King was voted on and passed.

The following bids were received on a new 1962 police car with the old police car as a trade-in: *1960 Chevrolet*

Owens Prater Ford	\$1360.86
Davis Brothers Chev.	1305.10

Alderman King made a motion that the low bid be accepted. This motion received a second from Alderman Lewis was voted on and passed.

Supt. James Owens reported a traffic problem on Park Avenue and presented a sketch showing his suggestion as a solution to the problem. Alderman Lewis suggested that the council wait until the Coosa Valley Planning Commission was contacted and see what their suggestions were concerning the traffic problem. Mayor Dickinson appointed Alderman Lewis and Chief Roberts to come up with the answer.

Supt. Owens reported that the L&N Railroad was drawing a proposal concerning the crossing at Pine Street and Park Avenue.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Approved Frank M. Dickinson
Mayor

Respectfully submitted
Calvin Caldwell, Clerk