

April 9, 1962

City Council met in regular session at the city hall with the following members present. Mayor Frank M. Dickinson, Aldermen John T. Woods, Jr., John A. Lewis, Jr., and Tom B. David. Alderman Jerry King was absent due to sickness.

Dr. T. J. Lance was ^{PRESENT} ~~absent~~ and opened the meeting with prayer.

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

Mayor Dickinson reported that Alderman Jerry King was sick and in Emory University Hospital in Atlanta. Stated that Mrs. King reported Jerry was improved but would be confined to the hospital for a period of two to three weeks.

Mr. A. E. Stables of Calhoun requested permission to operate a carnival in the city limits and offered to pay the sum of \$500.00 for the privilege of operating one week. After discussion the council decided to stay with the original ordinance calling for \$500.00 for the first day and \$200.00 for any day thereafter.

Alderman David requested permission to spend around \$200.00 on the "Andrews Raid" celebration for the promotion of the City of Calhoun and ask for enough money to pay one-half the cost of a dinner to be given the distinguished guest at the dedication ceremony of "New Echota" to be held on May 12, 1962. Council agreed to the request.

The request for \$5,000.00 to \$6,000.00 to help operate the Gordon County Hospital was discussed at this time. The Council decided the city had no money that could be used for this purpose at this time and felt this would be double taxation on the city residents since the county levied a tax for the operation of the hospital.

Alderman David made a motion that the following resolution be entered in the minutes of the City of Calhoun and made a permanent record thereof: "The city council of the City of Calhoun appreciates the five years of hard work and faithful service given to the Calhoun Recreation Commission by Mr. J. H. Hobgood". This motion received a second from Alderman Woods was voted on and passed.

Alderman Lewis brought the matter of the City of Calhoun permitting the sale of beer to person's 18 years of age or older since the legal age in the State of Georgia was 21 years of age or older. The council agreed to stay within the state law and require a person to be 21 years of age to purchase beer in the City of Calhoun. The council agreed to give the retailers notice to this effect and give them a few days to put the order into effect. The council agreed to charge each game of skill machine a tax that would be in line with the state average and ask the clerk to have the city attorney to draw an ordinance to this effect.

The council discussed the problem of garbage dumping at the city dump by residents outside the city limits. The council ask city Supt. James Owens to check and see how fast the dump site was filling and how long it would last at the present rate of dumping. The council discussed the possibility of stopping or charging the non-residents a fee for dumping a the city dump.

The council requested that City Supt. James Owens have a price on repairing the sidewalk in front of the residence of H.J. Combs on North Wall Street by the next meeting. Also to check and see if the city would cut the trees on Piedmont Street by the Combs residence.

Alderman Lewis made a motion that the city engineer be instructed to go ahead with the moving of the present parking meters to a nine foot parking space at a 45 degree angle. Said work to start as soon as possible and continue until all meters are properly spaced. This motion received a second from Alderman Woods was voted on and passed.

Alderman Lewis gave a report of the budget workshop held in Rome and suggested the City of Calhoun follow the plan outlined at the workshop for preparing a budget for the coming year. Mr. Lewis stated he thought the city should change to a fiscal year ending on July 31. The council agreed to close the books for the coming year on July 31 and instructed the clerk to inform the auditor and start preparing for a short period audit.

Approved

Frank M. Dickinson Mayor

Calvin Caldwell, Clerk
Respectfully submitted