

March 26, 1962  
Calhoun, Georgia

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

Rev. Claude McBride, pastor of the Belmont Baptist Church, was present and opened the meeting with prayer.

The Coosa Valley Area Planning and Development Commission made a request to the City of Calhoun and Gordon County that together they purchase an aerial photo of the entire county that could be used by the Coosa Commission for future planning. The city's part would cost \$186.45. After discussion Alderman John A. Lewis, Jr. made a motion that the City of Calhoun pay their part toward the purchase of the aerial photo's. This motion received a second from Alderman King and was voted on and passed.

Mayor Dickinson reported that the term of Recreation Commission member J.H. Hobgood had expired and he was appointing Mr. Ferrell Palmer as a member of the Recreation Commission to replace Mr. Hobgood. This would be for a term of 5 years.

Mayor Dickinson reported that the local theatre manager had ask permission to open the theatre early to show the movie "Exodus" on Sunday April 1, 1962. This was the second request in the past month to open the theatre early. After discussion Alderman King made a motion the request be granted. This motion was seconded by Alderman Lewis. Aldermen Lewis and King voted for the motion and Aldermen David and Woods voted against the motion. Mayor Frank Dickinson voted for the motion and declared the motion carried.

Alderman Lewis stated to the council the police department was having some complaints and confusion about more than one parking ticket per day per individual. After discussion the council decided to keep the original ordinance and give a ticket for each violation.

Mr. Robinson of 226 South Wall Street ask permission to park his car in front of his residence and not be required to pay the parking meters. During the discussion it was pointed out that Mr. Robinson had a back entrance to his property and the council decided to make no exceptions in his case.

Alderman Lewis stated Mrs. John Ray had a water drainage problem from the Johnston Laundry Company causing water to run across the road on her property. The council ask Supt. James Owens to look into the problem.

A petition was presented the council with 159 signatures against making the railroad park leased to the city into a parking lot. Mr. Beverly Langford was present at the meeting and stated he had not heard from the I&N Railroad regarding making the park into a parking lot and the council decided to wait until word was received from the railroad before any action was taken.

The Council discussed resurfacing the city parking lot on Park Ave. and widening Park Avenue from Court Street to Line Street and placing hotmix on the Park Avenue Street and parking lot. Instructed Mr. Owens to get prices on the two jobs.

Alderman Jerry King made a motion that a taxi license be granted to Fred and Joe's Cab Co. located on Hicks Street when the provisions of the city ordinance regulating cabs had been met. This motion was seconded by Alderman David voted on and passed.

A petition was presented by residents on Wilson Street calling for the paving of a 200 foot section on the street. Alderman King made a motion that pavement be started when the property owners deposited the money with the clerk. This motion received a second from Alderman Lewis was voted on and passed.

City Council agreed to pay the expense of Supt. James Owens and Water and Light Supt. Jack Bell to the University of Florida from April 9 through April 13 for an electrical course being held at the school.

City Council instructed the City Clerk and City Attorney to start working toward revising the city charter and bringing all ordinances up to date.

Alderman John A. Lewis, Jr. suggested that a resolution calling for a "City Parks Advisory Commission" be passed. The resolution would ask the president of each of the following clubs: Cherokee Garden Club; Sequoyah Garden Club; Hillhouse Garden Club; Calhoun Womans Club; Business and Professional Womans Club; to designate one member from each club to be a member of the "City Parks Advisory Commission". These five members would elect a chairman. The purpose of the Commission would be to advise and supervise city personnel in landscaping the Womans Park and other city property. The Council instructed the Clerk to request the information above from each of the clubs.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Approved Frank M. Dickinson  
Mayor

Respectfully submitted  
Calvin Caldwell, Clerk