

**CITY OF CALHOUN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
CALHOUN, GA
OCTOBER 9, 2006, 7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

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

**ALSO: William P. Bailey, City Attorney
Kelly Cornwell, Director of Utilities
Cathy Harrison, City Administrator**

1. Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance. Councilman Hammond gave the invocation.
2. Mayor Palmer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
3. Following a review of the September 25, 2006 Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to approve as written. The motion was second by Councilman Crowley with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Crowley, Councilman Denmon and Councilman Hammond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
4. Mayors Comments:
 - a. Mayor Palmer stated in order to accommodate two people on the agenda he would move those items forward. Mayor Palmer stated Dave Ronningen has served as the Grant Administrator for an EIP Grant that the City of Calhoun received to assist in construction of the Clarence King Drive Roadway that facilitated the Mohawk Development Project. Mayor Palmer stated at this time a public hearing would be opened on the EIP Grant associated with the Project.
 - ◆ Mr. Ronningen stated over a year ago the City had filed an application and held a public hearing regarding the application for an Employment Incentive Program Grant known as EIP in the amount of \$500,000.00. He stated the purpose of the Grant was to induce Mohawk Industries to expand their facilities in Calhoun-Gordon County rather than looking at another State expansion.
 - ◆ He stated a second public hearing was held when the Grant was awarded and the hearing was to review the proposed project. He stated the project required Mohawk to provide local investment, and it also provided for the City of Calhoun to extend sewer to the Development and provide grubbing for the roadway. He stated Mohawk had provided a local effort of over a \$38 million dollars for the expansion on a 200 acre tract owned by the Company off of Union Grove Road. He stated they had met their hiring quota of retaining over 485 jobs and that new hiring was 145 new additional jobs.
 - ◆ There were 92 low/moderate new jobs and 353 low/moderate jobs of those retained. He stated EIP is a Program that is funded through HUD and they are

interested in fair housing and the City of Calhoun provides proper advertisement regarding HUD's requirements for fair housing.

- ◆ Mr. Ronningen stated he also had brochures that are available.
- ◆ He asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the Project.
- ◆ Mayor Palmer stated he would like to note for the record, the road does connect to Highway 41 and it is and will be in the future a major connection to benefit industry in that particular area, not only for Mohawk. He stated he would also like to take the opportunity to express appreciation to Clarence King who donated approximately 7 acres of property in order for the road to be built to accommodate this project and other industries.
- ◆ Mayor Palmer asked if there were any other questions or comments. There were none and the hearing was closed.

b. Mayor Palmer stated the second item to be moved up is a zoning matter for Mr. Darin Hardin who is part a partner of Riverside II, and he has a second zoning meeting with the County Planning Department and he needs to be moved up on the agenda in order to make both meetings.

Mayor Palmer stated at this time, public hearings on zoning matters would be held. The public would have the opportunity to make pro and con comments with a ten-minute maximum time limit for each side of the matter. Each person speaking would be required to have filed a Financial Disclosure Statement five days prior to the hearing, and each person would be required to give their name and address before speaking. An inquiry was made to determine if any of the elected officials had filed a disclosure statement regarding ownership or special interest in the agenda items. The response was negative. He stated the land use map and the official zoning map is on display in the Council Chambers not only for the Board but for the general public.

Mayor Palmer reviewed the Standards Governing the Exercise of Zoning Power, as follows:

STANDARDS GOVERNING THE EXERCISE OF ZONING POWER

- (1) Whether the zoning proposal will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property.
- (2) Whether the zoning proposal will adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property.
- (3) Whether the property to be affected by the zoning proposal has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned.
- (4) Whether the zoning proposal will result in a use which will or could cause an excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities or schools.
- (5) Whether there will be capital costs for capital improvements to serve the area. Capital costs shall include water mains, sewer mains, new street pavement or widening, new fire stations or equipment, new police stations or equipment, and other like costs.
- (6) Whether the zoning proposal is in conformity with the policy and intent of the land use plan.
- (7) Whether there are other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for their approval; or disapproval of the zoning proposal.

- (8) Whether there are other factors relevant to balancing the interest in promoting the public health, safety, morality or general welfare against the right to the unrestricted use of property.

VARIANCE CONSIDERATIONS (ONE OR MORE)

- (a) There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography.
- (b) The application of this ordinance to the particular piece of property would create an unnecessary hardship.
- (c) Such conditions are peculiar to the particular piece of property involved.
- (d) Relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes and intent of this ordinance, provided, however, that no variance may be granted for a use of land or building or structure that is prohibited by this ordinance.

Mayor Palmer stated they would move directly to item 4 under public hearings.

5. Public Hearings and Comments:

- 1) Mayor Palmer stated a variance request filed by Riverside II, LLC for a 10 foot variance from the City's minimum front set back on a local street for single family housing for 80 acres located off of Henderson Bend Road.
- a) A public hearing was opened.
- b) Harrison reported that notices to adjoining property owners, signs on the property and notices to the local organ had been completed. Harrison confirmed.
- c) Mayor Palmer asked for a report from the Zoning Advisory Board. Mayor Pro Tem Potts stated this matter had been heard on October 5, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. and based upon information that had been provided by the developer the members of the Zoning Advisory Board had approved and recommended the request of the 10 foot variance.
- d) Mayor Palmer asked if there were any comments by the developer. Darin Hardin stated this Riverside II Project was the second PRD that had been reviewed and approved by the Mayor and Council some time ago. He provided a conceptual drawing that was first presented at the PRD hearing. He stated there was no change in the density of the project and no desire to build houses of a lesser square footage or to reduce lot size. He stated what he wished to do was to move houses closer to the road. This would give him the option of adding front porches to provide a more user friendly atmosphere in the neighborhood. He stated double garages will be required and it is his and his partners desire to upgrade homes. He stated they have a very good development in the first portion of Riverside and he wishes to continue a development that will have diversification in the styles of housing and the ability to move the houses closer to the road will assist in this effort. He stated the numbers of cars that would pass by the houses in the development would be on an average of 300 and that

would be only heavy traffic during two peak times during the day. Those going to work and back from work. He stated there would be sufficient space in the driveway for the two car garage and to get cars off the sidewalk. He stated the covenants require there be no parking on the road except during periods when there is visitation. Mr. Hardin stated there are two other developments that have been approved by the City that have reduced set backs. One being the Damascus Road Development and the other, The Villa's. Mayor Pro Tem Potts stated regarding the Damascus Road Project, it was a development that was approved prior to changes being made to the ordinance as it regarded the PRD zoning. Mayor Palmer stated the current request that had been made is a request to give set back relief for the total 80 acres and he is concerned it will set a precedent due to a blanket request for approval. Mayor Palmer stated the set back reduction was not a part of the original Project report, therefore, the building inspector was correct in requiring a variance for anything less than the minimum set back of 25 foot. Discussion continued regarding the request.

- e) Mayor Palmer asked if there were comments by the public. A resident of 695 Henderson Bend Road stated she was concerned that there is tremendous traffic on that road and that it cannot handle another development of 80 acres.
- f) Mayor Palmer asked if there were any other questions or comments. There were none and the public hearing was closed.
- g) Councilman Hammond stated in order for the Council to properly review the request, he would request it be tabled until October 23, 2006. The motion was second by Councilman Denmon with Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Mayor Palmer stated at this time they would continue with the zoning requests:

- 2) A zoning variance request by Jennifer Krupp for a 7 foot variance on the South side of the property located at 508 Woodland Avenue to allow construction of a garage and extra bedrooms..
 - a) A public hearing was opened.
 - b) Harrison reported all notices to adjoining property owners, signs on the property and notices to the local organ had been completed.
 - c) Mayor Pro Tem Potts stated the Zoning Advisory Board had also heard this matter on October 5, 2006 and following a review of the report of the Zoning Committee that stated there would be 20 feet between the houses even with the variance and a notice from the adjoining neighbors, Ed and Jane Weldon, stating they would have no opposition to the request, the Zoning Advisory Board had recommended approval.
 - d) Mayor Palmer asked if there were any comments. There were none and the hearing was closed.
 - e) The findings of the Mayor and Council were:

VARIANCE CONSIDERATIONS (ONE OR MORE)

- (a) There are no extraordinary or exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property in question because of its size, shape or topography.
 - (b) The application of this ordinance to the particular piece of property would create a hardship for the owner.
 - (c) There are no other conditions that are peculiar to the particular piece of property involved.
 - (d) Relief, if granted, would not cause substantial detriment to the public good or impair the purposes and intent of this ordinance. It was determined if granted it would still allow a distance of 20 feet or more between houses.
- g) Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to waive the third and fourth reading and approve the 7 foot variance on the South side of the property at 508 Woodlawn Avenue. The motion was second by Councilman Denmon with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Hammond and Councilman Crowley voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- 3) An annexation request by Shawn and Tonya Prather for 4 acres located at 486 Henderson Bend Road.
- a) Mayor Palmer opened a public hearing.
 - b) Harrison reported the notices to adjoining property owners, signs on the property and notices to the local organ had been completed.
 - c) Mayor Palmer asked for a report from the Zoning Advisory Board. Mayor Pro Tem Potts stated the Zoning Advisory Board had reviewed this item on October 5, 2006 and they determined there was no additional development proposed for the 4 acres and it was the recommendation of the Zoning Advisory Board to approve the annexation since it was eligible.
 - d) Mayor Palmer asked if there were any comments by the applicant or by the public. There were none.
 - e) Mayor Palmer asked if there questions or comments by the Council. There were none and the pubic hearing was closed.
 - f) Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to waive the third and fourth reading and to approve the request for annexation of 486 Henderson Bend Road for approximately 4 acres. The motion was second by Councilman Denmon with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley and Councilman Hammond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- 4) Mayor Palmer stated in reference to the annexation of the Prather property they had requested zoning of R-1.
- a) Mayor Palmer opened a public hearing.
 - b) Harrison reported the notices adjoining property owners, signs on the property and notices to the local organ had been completed.
 - c) Mayor Palmer asked for a report from the Zoning Advisory Board. Mayor Pro Tem Potts stated the Zoning Advisory Board had reviewed this item on October 5, 2006 and they determined the applicant understood the density requirements for R-1 zoning and since no additional development was planned, the Zoning Advisory Board had recommended approval.
 - d) Mayor Palmer asked if there were any comments by the applicant or by the public. There were none.

- e) Mayor Palmer asked if there questions or comments by the Council. There were none and the pubic hearing was closed.
- f) The findings of the Mayor and Council were:

STANDARDS GOVERNING THE EXERCISE OF ZONING POWER

- (1) The zoning proposal will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property.
- (2) The zoning proposal will not adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property.
- (3) The property to be effected by the zoning proposal has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned.
- (4) The zoning proposal will not result in a use that will cause excessive or burdensome use to streets, utilities or schools.
- (5) There will be no capital cost to serve the area since it is already served by water and has the necessary hydrants for fire protection for fire protection.
- (6) The zoning proposal is in conformity with the policy and intent of the land use plan.
- (7) There are no other existing or changing conditions effecting the use and development of the property which gives supporting grounds for approval or disapproval.
- 8) There are no other factors relevant to balancing the interest and promoting the public health, safety morality or general welfare against the right of the unrestricted use of the property.

- g) Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to waive the third and fourth reading and approve the request to zone the annexed property located at 486 Henderson Bend Road for R-1 zoning. The motion was second by Councilman Crowley with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Crowley, Councilman Denmon and Councilman Hammond voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Mayor Palmer stated the Council would return to the regular items on the agenda.

Mayors Comments:

- b. Mayor Palmer stated the GMA Training Session is available for elected officials in Macon on October 13, 2006 and if anyone is interested in attending to please notify the administrator.
- c. Mayor Palmer announced the Mayor's Motorcade to Northwest Regional Hospital which will be held on December 12, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. He stated if anyone wishes to provide gifts for patients, they may leave them at City Hall prior to December 12, 2006. He stated many of the patients remain at the hospital during the holidays and would have no gifts if it were not for donations that are made by various cities in the region.
- d. Mayor Palmer reviewed a Proclamation declaring November, "Homeless Awareness Month" as follows:

City of Calhoun, Georgia
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, every day there are men, women, and children in Gordon County who do not have a place they can call home; and

WHEREAS, every year, public and private agencies observe Homeless Awareness Month to increase awareness and focus attention on the needs of homeless individuals and families; and

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Calhoun, I do hereby proclaim the month of November in 2006 as

"HOMELESS AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Calhoun, and urge all area citizens to recognize and support the efforts of local service providers and coalitions who strive to end homelessness in the City of Calhoun.

Adopted this _____ day of October, 2006.

City of Calhoun, Georgia

By: _____
James F. Palmer, Mayor

Attest:

Cathy Harrison, City Administrator

Administrator Harrison stated when she discussed the proposed Proclamation with the City School Official, she was informed that last year there were approximately 175 homeless students in the City School System and approximately 600 Homeless students in the County School System. Almost 800 students out of a 10,000 student population that was homeless. Councilman Hammond made a motion to adopt the Proclamation. The motion was second by Councilman Denmon with Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- e. Mayor Palmer stated the Calhoun High School Homecoming Parade would be held on Friday, October 13, 2006 at 3:30 p.m.
 - f. Mayor Palmer stated the Gordon Central High School Homecoming Parade would be held on Thursday, October 19, 2006 at 3:30 p.m.
 - g. Mayor Palmer stated the Alzheimer's Parade would be held on Saturday, October 21, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.
 - h. Mayor Palmer asked Mayor Pro Tem Potts to review the zoning hearings scheduled for November 13, 2006:
 - 1) A request for annexation and zoning of R-1B for approximately 20.87 acres on Henderson Bend Road by Terry Brumlow, agent for PFW Properties, Inc.
 - 2) A request for annexation and R-1B zoning of house and lot at 105 Harris Street by Walter Hartsfield.
6. Council Comments:
- a. Mayor Pro Tem Potts stated during the month of September:
 - 1) The street department:
 - Completed 26 shop work orders.
 - Placed 22 new street signs.
 - Dug out and patched cuts on Camelot Circle, Woodridge Drive, W.C. Bryant Parkway, Cherry Hill Drive, King Street, Oothcalooga Street, Damascus Church Road, Flora Drive, Oak Street, Cha Brent Drive, Curtis Parkway, Telfair Street, Pestors Street and Victory Court utilizing 70.32 tons of asphalt.
 - Worked with the electric department to remove a large oak tree and dead limbs at the end of Peters Street.
 - Clipped the shoulders of the road with a motor grader on Curtis Parkway.
 - Hauled fill dirt and topsoil to the new tennis courts.
 - Provided a lazer grade and hauled dirt. They provided dozer work at the soccer practice fields on Hwy 136.
 - Dug out two new sidewalks at the Calhoun Middle School.
 - 2) The sanitation department:
 - In addition to running their routine commercial routes and servicing vehicles, gained 1 four yard dumpster customer, gained 1 six yard dumpster customer and 3 eight yard dumpster accounts.
 - 3) The parks and maintenance division:
 - Completed all maintenance work at all City departments and parks.
 - Completed maintenance jobs for buildings at City Hall, Library, Downtown Annex, BB&T Park, Cemetery, Street department and the Depot.
 - 4) The cemetery department:
 - Supervised the opening and closing of 8 grave sites.
 - Provided routine maintenance on Fain and Chandler Cemeteries.
 - Sold 29 new grave spaces.
 - Assisted contractors with the setting of 6 new monuments.
 - 5) The animal control division:
 - Responded to 50 customer calls.
 - Issued 2 first warnings.
 - Issued 3 second warnings for lease law violations.

- 6) The safety committee: Topic for the month, “Non-powered Hand Tools”
 - Inspected the sewer construction department on September 12, 2006.
 - Reported 3 vehicle accidents in the prior month.

b. Councilman Denmon stated:

- 1) The water treatment plant facility:
 - Pumped and daily average of 13.350 million gallons of raw water during the month.
 - The Brittany Drive Plant produced 46% of the City’s potable water.
- 2) The water construction department:
 - Made 59 water connections.
 - Changed out 11 new water meters.
 - Repaired 66 leaks.
 - Installed 760 feet of 8 inch PVC water line and made 3 hot taps.
 - Set 69 meters.
 - Repaired 66 meter leaks.
 - Changed out 39 meters.
 - Pulled 23 meters.
 - Repaired 38 fire hydrants.
 - Responded to 46 customer calls.
 - Provided 501 for developers.
 - Requests 96 locates for the City.
 - Provided 36 emergency locates.
- 3) The waste treatment plant:
 - Pumped a daily average flow of 6.316 million gallons during the month of September.
 - Average BOD effluent was 8.
 - Average suspended effluent 13.
 - Average COD effluent of 63.
- 4) The sewer construction department:
 - Made 8 sewer connections.
 - Repaired 7 sewer service lines.
 - Repaired 5 sewer manholes.
 - Inspected 9 sewer lines for a total of 2,800 feet.
 - Inspected 14 sewer services for a total of 1,300 feet.
 - Provided 312 locates for developers.
 - Repaired 2 lift stations.
 - Responded to 1 sewer call.
 - Cleaned 19 sewer lines for a total of 5,750.
 - Opened and inspected 21 manholes.
 - Cleared 28,000 feet of sewer line right-of-ways.
- 6) The building inspection department:

- Issued 27 permits during the month for an estimated \$1.8 million dollars of construction. Including 8 new residential for \$1.6 million dollars.

5) The sludge department:

- Applied 1,744 cubic yards of sludge for a total of 246.7 dry tons.

c. Councilman Crowley stated:

1) The electric department:

- Continued work on projects under construction. This included the water plant pumping expansion.
- Lighting of two ball fields at the recreation department.
- The electric upgrade of older clarifiers and thickeners at the waste treatment plant.
- In-house tree trimming and right of way clearing, pole by pole inspections, and underground transformer inspections.
- The System Protection Project continues in its 2nd year with the System Capacitor Project continuing in its 1st year.

Projects and maintenance under construction:

- The Gordon Station development on N. Wall Street.
- Annex building remodeling and rewiring.
- The New Town and Red Bud Rd. intersection.
- The primary construction at DHM, Industries located on S. Wall St.

Projects in engineering and design:

- O’Riely’s Auto Parts.
- East Line Street commons.
- Calhoun OBGYN Association on Curtis Parkway.
- McDaniel Station and Hwy 53 intersection improvements.
- Avalon Estates Subdivision on Beamer Road.
- Completed 30 street and security lighting projects completed.
- 35 new business and maintenance requests.
- Responded to 11 after hour call outs.
- Issued 10 permits.
- Provided 41 inspections.
- Set 10 meters.
- Purchased almost 40 million KWH of electricity.

2) The telecommunications department:

- Continued fiber connections and testing for the electric department’s metering for the Ethernet system.
- Signed Racemark International for their new location on South Hwy 41.
- Upgraded software to 6 core network switches.
- Provided quotes for 5 new internet circuits and 2 new 10 Meg point-to-point circuits.
- Opened 12 work orders and completed 10.
- Responded to 5 trouble calls and closed 4.

d. Councilman Hammond stated during the month of September the police and fire reports were as follows:

1) The police department:

- Made 509 cases including 102 for speeding and 9 for DUI's. He stated the anticipated funds for the month is \$81,594.00.
 - Issued 428 warnings.
 - Investigated 68 highway accidents and 32 private property accidents with 1 injury and 1 fatality.
 - Provided 67 escorts.
 - Worked 1,647 incident reports.
 - Responded to 210 alarms.
 - Patrolled 51,046 miles.
 - Responded to 4,573 calls for service from 911.
 - Issued 1 parking citation.
- 2) The fire department:
- Responded to 48 calls for service including 2 for fire incidents with estimated damages of \$6,500.00.
 - Responded to 23 emergency medical services, accidents and rescue incidents, with 17 injuries and 1 fatality and 10 hazardous condition incidents, 2 service calls, 1 good intent calls and 10 false alarms.
- Other department activities:
- Members conducted a Fire Extinguisher class for National Distribution off Johnson Lake Road.
 - Conducted a Fire Drill at Calhoun Middle School.
 - Held the annual Boot Drive with the Gordon County Fire Department for the Georgia Firefighter's Burn Foundation. A portion of the money comes back for Education Programs in the Schools. They collected over \$12,000.
 - Completed in-house training during the month for all Firefighters on State required core skills along with additional department training.
 - Responded to 86 phone calls for after-hours utilities.
 - Completed all scheduled station and vehicle maintenance.
- 3) The fire inspection division:
- Provided 24 inspections during the month, including 10 annual, 2 new businesses, 7 requested and 5 follow up.
 - Attended a plan review on the Hollingsworth Investments Motel Project.
 - Two employees were tested and interviewed and promoted from firemen to fire code inspectors, Tim Duvall and Robbie Evans.

Councilman Hammond stated he attended the Coosa Valley Regional Development Centers Planning Meeting. There were 9 communities represented at the Coosa Valley Regional Development Planning Meeting as well as 6 from the North Georgia division. He stated in order for the area to continue to grow and prosper and to manage the growth that is coming to Northwest Georgia, all communities must work together and plan together. The meeting was an extremely beneficial meeting.

Councilman Hammond stated there were 19 old vehicles from the previous fleet that are being proposed as surplus and 17 to be advertised and sold on GovDeals. He stated it is his motion that the 19 vehicles are declared surplus as well as the cameras, lamp bars, sirens and etc. and authorized 17 to be sold on the GovDeals

program through GMA. The motion was second by Councilman Crowley with Councilman Hammond, Councilman Crowley, Councilman Denmon and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

1996 Crown Vic. 2FALP71W8TX123254/139,802 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren.

1996 Crown Vic. 2FALP71W9TX211469/ 95,093 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren

1996 Crown Vic. 2FALP71W8TX135078/ 98,713 Miles/ No Equipment

1999 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W1XX240788/ 123,055 Miles /Camera, Light Bar, Siren

1999 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W6XX240785/ 120,242 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W01X196693/ 90,080 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren Antenna, Radio Plug.

2001 Crown Vic 2FAFP71W11X179885/ 74,276 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren Antenna, Radio Plug.

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W11X196704/ 101,144 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren, Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W21X196694/ 102,388 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic 2FAFP71W41X196695/ 85,320 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren, Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W61X196701/ 81,477 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren, Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W71X196691/ 96,101 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren, Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W81X196702/ 97,625 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren, Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W91X196689/ 71,909 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W91X196692/ 88,322 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren, Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic.2FAFP71WX1X196698/ 111,614 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren, Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic.2FAFP71WX1X196703/ 108,443 Miles/ Camera, Light Bar, Siren, Antenna, Radio Plug

2001 Crown Vic. 2FAFP71W31X197725/ No Equipment - *NOT TO BE SOLD ON GOVDEALS.*

2000 Ford Taurus 1FAFP5526YA153023/ No Equipment - *NOT TO BE SOLD ON GOVDEALS.*

7. Other Hearings and Public Comments: None.

8. Old Business:

- a. Mayor Palmer stated the City of Calhoun and the City Board of Education had held their last public hearing regarding the Millage proposed for the City School System and for the City M&O Taxes for the current fiscal year. He stated that based upon the budget that was adopted in June, the proposed Millage for the City of Calhoun is 1.67 net mills and 14.58 mills for the School System for a total of 16.25 mills. He stated this is slightly higher than last year's millage for the school with last year's total millage being 15.41. However, the millage in 2003 was 16.25 and the millage in 2004 was 16.45. He asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to set the millage for City M&O at 1.67 net millage and the School at 14.58 mills for a total of 16.25 mills for the 2006 taxes due in fiscal 2007. The motion was second by Councilman Hammond with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon and Councilman Crowley voting affirmatively, motion carried.

9. New Business:

- a. A first reading of a request for annexation and C-2 zoning by Flipper McDaniel, for approximately 2 acres located at 1201 Dews Pond Road was given. Mayor

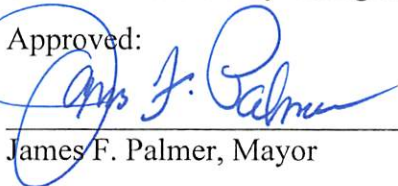
Palmer stated the earliest date for public hearing would be December 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Councilman Denmon made a motion to set the hearing for that date and time. The motion was second by Councilman Crowley with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley, Councilman Hammond and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.

- b. A first reading of a request for re-zoning from Agricultural to C-2 by Steve C. Moore for approximately 28.5 acres located at the corner of Belwood Road and Union Grove Road was given. Mayor Palmer stated the earliest date for public hearing would be December 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to set the public hearing for that date and time. The motion was second by Councilman Denmon with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley and Councilman Hammond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- c. A first reading of a request for a sign variance on 405 Belwood Road by Russell Owen. The request is for a 4 foot variance on set-back, 8 feet height over the maximum and 251 feet that is over the allowed square footage. Mayor Palmer stated the earliest date for public hearing would be December 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Councilman Denmon made a motion to set the public hearing for that date and time. The motion was second by Councilman Crowley with Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley, Councilman Hammond and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- d. A first reading of an annexation request by Rebecca Brown for 2.044 acres at 128 New Town Road for R-1A zoning was given. Mayor Palmer stated the earliest date for public hearing would be December 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Councilman Crowley made a motion to set the public hearing for that date and time. The motion was second by Mayor Pro Tem Potts with Councilman Crowley, Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Denmon and Councilman Hammond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- e. Mayor Palmer stated there had been two requests to purchase surplus police vehicles. One from the Airport Authority to purchase a 2000 Ford Taurus, last digits of the serial no. being 3023 in exchange for a 3 ½ months rent on the CID Building near the airport. Councilman Hammond made a motion to approve the sale of the surplus property to the Airport Authority in consideration of the 3 ½ months free rent. The motion was second by Councilman Denmon with Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Crowley and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.
Mayor Palmer stated the second request was from the Calhoun fire department to purchase a 2001 Crown Victoria last numbers in the serial no. 7725 for \$5,700.00. Councilman Hammond made a motion to approve the inter-governmental sale. The motion was second by Councilman Crowley with Councilman Hammond, Councilman Crowley, Councilman Denmon and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- f. A request by Main Street for two City street closings on Court Street from Wall Street to Park Avenue was tabled on a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Potts. The motion was second by Councilman Hammond with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon and Councilman Crowley voting affirmatively, motion carried.

10. Other Written Items not on the Agenda:

- a. Attorney Bailey stated he received a call from Oliver-Manor and Grey, specifically, Jim Panell of the Firm, that had stated the Gordon County Board of Education had contacted their office regarding a desire to issue bonds associated with the Education SPLOST referendum that had recently passed. He stated if the City wished to issue bonds for the funding in excess of the payment of the debt, it would be an opportune time to issue those bonds in order to reduce closing cost. Attorney Bailey stated if the City wished to proceed in this manner, he would need a motion authorizing him to proceed with validation of the bonds. Following discussion Councilman Crowley made a motion to authorize Attorney Bailey to proceed with validation of bonds. The motion was second by Councilman Denmon with Councilman Crowley, Councilman Denmon, Councilman Hammond and Mayor Pro Tem Potts voting affirmatively, motion carried.
 - b. Mayor Palmer stated in July 2006 the Mayor and Council had agreed to sell right-of-way on Highway 156 for a DOT widening project for a total price of \$50,800.00. However, since that time DOT had agreed to an additional \$3,000.00 for relocating pipe that currently resides on that proposed right-of-way. Mayor Palmer stated the Council would need to revise its original motion to include the additional price. Councilman Crowley made a motion to amend the price to \$53,800.00 from the Georgia Department of Transportation for purchase of right-of-way that includes relocation fund for pipes stored on said property. The motion was second by Mayor Pro Tem Potts with Councilman Crowley, Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Denmon and Councilman Hammond voting affirmatively, motion carried.
11. Work Reports:
 - a. Director of Utilities, Kelly Cornwell – no report.
 12. Mayor Palmer stated there was a need to move to Executive Session.
 13. Mayor Pro Tem Potts made a motion to adjourn. The motion was second by Councilman Hammond with Mayor Pro Tem Potts, Councilman Hammond, Councilman Denmon and Councilman Crowley voting affirmatively motion carried.

Approved:


James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:


Cathy Harrison, City Administrator

**CITY OF CALHOUN &
CALHOUN CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
2006-2007 ADVALOREM TAX HEARING
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
OCTOBER 9, 2006, 6:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

CITY SCHOOL BOARD:

**Al Edwards, Chairman
Ed Moyer, Vice Chairman
Amy Atkinson, School Board Member
Tony Swink, School Board Member
Mike Davis, School Superintendent
Don Hood, Finance Director
Michelle Taylor, Assistant Superintendent**

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

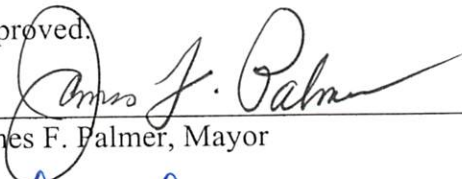
**James F. Palmer, Mayor
Lorene Potts, Mayor Pro Tem
Ray Denmon, Councilman
George R. Crowley, Councilman
David Hammond, Councilman
Cathy Harrison, City Administrator**

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE:


**Susan Kirkland, Calhoun Times
Kevin Casey, WEBS Radio**

1. Chairman Al Edwards called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. He stated that in addition to the official members in attendance, Susan Kirkland with the Calhoun Times and Kevin Casey with the WEBS Radio Station were in attendance. He presented a handout to Susan Kirkland regarding the schools budgetary requirements for the current fiscal year and the need to increase local share taxes. He stated the School Board had a slide presentation available, should any member of the press require a review. The press declined.
2. The School Board held the hearing open for 15 minutes awaiting any member of the public who might be interested in reviewing the information. No one arrived and the hearing was officially closed at 6:45 p.m.

Approved:



James F. Palmer, Mayor



Al Edwards, Chairman of the Board

Submitted:



Cathy Harrison, City Administrator