

1. Mayor Burdette called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.
2. Minutes of the November 14, 1983 Regular Council meeting were read and Section 5(c) was amended to include Ald. Lewis making the motion, and 5(e) to include the word variance. Minutes were then approved as amended.
3. Mayor's Comments:
  - (a) Mayor Burdette announced the GMA Mayor's Motorcade to Milledgeville on December 14, 1983 and to the Regional Hospitals on December 13, 1983. He urged any of the Council, employees, or citizens to participate in the event. Gifts will be accepted at City Hall until December 12, 1983 and will be delivered to the hospitals on December 13 and 14.
4. Aldermen's Comments: None
5. Public Comments:
  - (a) A Public Hearing was held on the proposed project of Don and Mary Richie to purchase the former bank building on Wall and Court Street, now occupied by Merle Norman's and future renovation of the second floor and conformity with the building/fire codes. Mr. Richie explained the intent and purpose of the project. There were no further comments.
  - (b) A Public Hearing was held on the proposed project of The First National Bank of Dalton, Calhoun Office to renovate the existing building, and the parking area to enhance parking and traffic flows. Tom Bond, Vice President of The First National Bank of Dalton explained the project. Attorney Bill Bailey commented that as a private citizen he was opposed to the bank using this vehicle (Downtown Development Authority) to finance the project if it is for the purpose of obtaining a more favorable interest rate or loan consideration, since banks are in the lending business. Tom Bond responded by saying that since they are a business, and in the business of handling money, it would be imprudent of the bank not to take advantage of the opportunity. He stated the bank would be willing to offer the same opportunity to any of their customers located within the defined area of the Downtown Development Authority. Mayor Burdette stated he could not see why a bank should be excluded from the same opportunities afforded other businesses. There were no further comments.
  - (c) A Public Hearing was held on the zoning change request of the North Georgia Development, Mr. Gregg Simms and Dr. John Forshner, for the two acres located off Flowers Road near the Carpet Center Leasing Building. The request being to rezone from Industrial H to R-2 to allow construction of 24 apartment units. Mr. Simms explained the proposed project and displayed drawings of the structures and land area. There were questions by the Council regarding size of units, reasons for this particular location and etc. Mr. Simms answered these questions. There were no further public comments. Ald. Lewis then made a motion to grant the rezoning request and change to R-2 zoning to allow the construction, 2nd by Ald. Bennett with Ald. Meadows and Ald. King voting affirmatively, motion carried.
  - (d) A Public Hearing was held on the Beer Package license application of Eddie Falls for the Jack's Package location on South Wall Street, effective Jan. 1, 1984. A clear police report was given, legal ads had been properly published, evidence of the sign on the property advertising the Public Hearing was displayed. There were no public comments. Ald. Bennett made a motion to approve the Beer Package License, 2nd by Ald. Meadows with Ald. King and Ald. Lewis voting affirmatively. Mayor Burdette asked that his opposition be recorded. Motion carried.

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(e) Bert Watts and Kay Painter made a request for a normal sewer tap for a portion of the V.J. Barrett Estate Property on Barrett Road. They explained the purpose of the tap was to build duplex housing on the area, and they displayed drawings and photos of the structures. After further discussion regarding buffer zones between multi and single family areas, and after an agreement to annex the property and build according to City building standards, Ald. Bennett stated that according to previous City policy he would make a motion to approve the tap, 2nd by Ald. Meadows with Ald. King and Ald. Lewis voting affirmatively, motion carried.

5. Old Business:

- (a) A 2nd reading was given to 1983 Beer/Wine/Liquor licensees requesting 1984 licenses. They were:
1. V.F.W. Post 5376 - Walter James Manager, Beer Package, Beer Pouring
  2. Smitty's of Calhoun, Inc. - Clifford W. Smith, Manager, Beer Package, Beer Pouring, Wine Package
  3. John L. Ray, Jr. - 900 N. Wall St. Liquor & Wine Package
  4. Tony W. Brown - Troy's - 344½ S. Wall St. Beer Package
  5. Raymond Brown - J.J.'s Package - 830 N. Wall Beer Package
  6. Shepherd's Motel, Inc. - Shepherd's Restaurant, W.G. Robertson, Beer Pouring, Wine Pouring
  7. Champion H. Kelly, Individual, Red Bud Liquor Store, Inc. Liquor Package, Wine Package
  8. Roy Thomas Aaron - 1326 S. 41 Hwy. Beer Package, Wine Package
  9. Otto L. Defoor - 1227 N. Wall St. Beer Package
  10. John H. Bell - Jimmy's on Red Bud Rd. Beer Package
  11. Robert C. Butler - Eureka Beer Package
  12. Philip Beamer, Red Bud Rd. Beer Package

Ald. Lewis made a motion to approve, 2nd by Ald. Meadows with Ald. King and Ald. Bennett voting affirmatively, Mayor Burdette asked that his opposition be recorded, motion carried.

- (b) A 2nd reading was given to the annexation ordinance request of the Estate of Ernest Burton for Burton's Carpet off Highway 53, East and Kenmoreland Circle for Ind. G zoning. Ald. Bennett made a motion to waive the 3rd and 4th readings and to approve, 2nd by Ald. Meadows with Ald. King and Ald. Lewis voting affirmatively, motion carried. (Ordinance No. 109)
- (c) The City Attorney, Thomas E. Shanahan presented his written opinion on the City's Sign Ordinance and the State law regarding signs on Highways and Interstates. After a lengthy discussion, the Attorney was requested to draft an amendment to the Sign Ordinance regarding size and height requirements and present for a first reading on December 12, 1983.
- (d) Cathy Harrison, Election Superintendent, gave the official results of the November 16, 1983 election as per the attached.
- (e) City Superintendent Hobgood stated the Horizon Street request in South Industrial Park was progressing; the tile has been lowered in Maplewood Subdivision; the streets have been re-surfaced in Camelot; water line and tie ups have been completed in Plainview; water extensions continue on the Erwin Hill Road; a 2" tap was made at Rainbow Carpet on Highway 411; Fairmount is now using City water on week-ends which helps provide activity for the tank storage in Ranger; the Electric Dept. has been extremely busy with signal repairs on Highway 53 and transformer replacements at Horizon Industries. He stated he had met with the Beautification Committee and the County regarding the work around the Courthouse and on the East side of Wall Street South of the Courthouse. The estimated cost of concrete and materials for the sidewalk and corners at the Courthouse will be from \$2,500.00 to \$3,000.00. The repairs to the sidewalk and wall on the corner will be approximately \$15,000.00 to \$20,000.00. He stated that development interest in Calhoun had been heavier lately, with a request for proposed sewerage request of approximately \$27,000.00. He stated he had a meeting on December 1, 1983 with DOT and Georgia Craft regarding the Airport Beacon. After discussion of the engineering contract for the Block Grant Project, as lead agent for the grant, Ald. King made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an engineering contract with Sweitzer and Peoples

as per the guidelines outlined in the Grant application.  
2nd by Ald. Bennett with Ald. Lewis and Ald. Meadows voting affirmatively, motion carried.

6. New Business:

- (a) A first reading was given to the annexation ordinance request from the City of Calhoun (City's portion) for the Tom B. David Airport property for Commercial - 2 zoning and to the City of Calhoun request for annexation of the property off Kirby Road occupied by the Waste Treatment, Street, Water/Sewer Construction Departments and the Rabies Control structure for Industrial G zoning.
- (b) A first reading was given to several 1983 Beer/Wine/Liquor Licensees for 1984 license:
  - 1. Barbecue Sons, Partnership (Ware, Neil, David, Doug Callaway) Russell Peters, Manager - Hwy. 53, East (Beer Pouring & Beer Package)
  - 2. Hugh C. Thomas - Hughgo's - Hwy. 53, East (Beer Package)
  - 3. Ben Morrow - 53 Package (Wine and Beer Package)
  - 4. Charles F. Giddens, Charlie's - Hwy. 41 South (Wine and Liquor Package)
  - 5. Speedy's Spirits, Inc. - Charles D. Thomason, Pres., James M. Thomason, Secretary, James Thomason, Manager Hwy. 53, East (Wine and Liquor Package)
  - 6. James Thomason, Oasis Package, 53 Hwy., East (Beer Package)
  - 7. Curtis Craig, Murphy's - 53 Hwy. East, (Beer Pouring)
  - 8. American Legion Post # 47 - Dewitt Carter, Manager, (Beer Package, Beer Pouring, Liquor Package)
  - 9. J.B. Garren - N. Wall Package Store (Beer Package)
- (c) A variance request of 5' from the side property line was presented for the Clyde Allen property at 728 College Street. After discussion, Ald. Lewis made a motion to grant the request, 2nd by Ald. King with Ald. Meadows and Ald. Bennett voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- (d) A first reading was given to the annexation ordinance request for Mary Will Stephens for approximately 8 acres, on both sides of the proposed Kent Lane joining the Hugh Don Davis property (with apartments) on the North off the Dews Pond Road for R-2 zoning.
- (e) A first reading was given to the annexation ordinance request for Walter J. Suggs for a lot at 200 Short Street across from Belmont Baptist Church for R-1 zoning.
- (f) Mayor Burdette stated the Estate of Mrs. W.E. Brown had asked the City to make an offer on the lot joining the Fire Dept. property on South Wall Street and being approximately 50' x 75'. The Council mutually agreed to offer \$3,000.00.
- (g) A first reading was given to the Hotel-Motel Tax Ordinance Amendment increasing the taxable rate of 2% to 3%. A second reading was scheduled for December 12, 1983 at 7:30 P.M.
- (h) The Council set a Public Hearing for the Paul McEntire Downtown Development Authority Project to purchase and renovate the former Goodyear Building on South Wall Street for December 12, 1983 at 7:30 P.M.
- (i) Ald. Bennett made a motion to adopt a resolution approving the Don and Mary Richie Downtown Development Authority request for funding assistance of \$65,000.00 to purchase the former bank building at the corner of Wall and Court Street, 2nd by Ald. Meadows with Ald. King and Ald. Lewis voting affirmatively also, motion carried.
- (j) Ald. King made a motion to adopt a resolution approving the request of the First National Bank of Dalton, Calhoun office, Downtown Development Authority project for \$150,000.00 to modify the structure and to modify the parking area and improve traffic flow at the South Wall Street location, 2nd by Ald. Bennett with Ald. Lewis and Ald. Meadows voting affirmatively, motion carried.
- (k) A GMA survey was discussed regarding the question of seeking to amend the State law concerning the closing of Beer/Wine/Liquor establishments on Election Day for Cities and Counties of under 35,000 in population. Present law allows local ordinance to

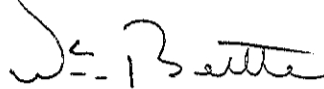
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govern the question. Ald. Lewis and Ald. Meadows voted to change to allow the establishments to stay open, Ald. King and Ald. Bennett voted to leave the law as written, Mayor Burdette voted to leave the law as written to break the tie, motion carried.

- (l) The Council approved Christmas pay for city employees in the amount of \$70.00 for those of over six months of employment; \$35.00 for those of six months or less and part time employees and 1/2 of a months pay for department heads and assistants.
- (m) The Council asked that an amendment be prepared and ready for adoption as soon as possible regarding a buffer zone for single and multi-family zoning.

8. Ald. King made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Ald. Lewis with Ald. Meadows and Ald. Bennett voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Approved:



W.C. Burdette,  
Mayor

Respectfully submitted:



(Mrs.) Cathy Harrison,  
City Clerk - Treasurer