

Calhoun, Georgia
January 14, 1957

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

Mayor Lawrence opened the meeting with prayer.

At this time Mayor Lawrence swore in newly elected Alderman Tom B. David and Alderman John T. Woods Jr.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and adopted.

Mrs. J. H. Hobgood and Mrs. John Hughes representing the Gordon County Library Board were present and stated to the Council that Gordon County had a chance to become a member of Georgia District Library but would need an additional \$360.00 per year from the City of Calhoun to help pay for the expense. They requested that the Council contribute this amount to the Gordon County Library Board to help put the project across. In the past the money had been going to the Calhoun Woman's Club. This amount had been \$210.00 per quarter for the payment of the librarian salary. Mrs. Hobgood pointed out the advantages of the new Library Board function. Also pointed out that the payments could be made in any way the City wanted and requested that the payments be made direct to the Gordon County School Supt. who would be the Treas. After discussion Mr. David made a motion that the City donate the additional \$360.00 to the Gordon County Library Board this motion seconded by Mr. Dickinson voted on and passed. The payments to start July 1st, 1957.

Mr. Robert Fox was present and stated to the council that a lot of night parking had been taking place on Dale Avenue and that a bunch of boys had been firing rifles near his house and ask that the City look into the matters. Mayor Lawrence instructed the police to check into these complaints at once.

At this time the following Dept. heads were ^{appointed} ~~elected~~ at their present salaries.:

City Engineer ----- Motion by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. David Voted ~~On~~ and passed. A. R. McDaniel Jr.

Supt. of Streets----- Mr. Dickinson made a motion that Harold Kirby be appointed seconded by Mr. Woods voted on and passed.

Supt. of Water & Lights---- Motion by Mr. Edwards that C. F. Lewis be appointed seconded by Mr. Dickson voted on passed.

Filter Plant Operator--- Motion by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. Woods that Joel W. Holt be appointed voted on and passed.

City Clerk----- Motion by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. Dickinson that Calvin Caldwell be appointed voted on and passed.

Police Chief----- Motion by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. David that Crawford Hayes be appointed voted on and passed.

Fire Chief----- Motion by Mr. Dickinson seconded by Mr. Woods that Fred Stephens be appointed voted on and passed.

Deputy Clerk--- Motion by Mr. David seconded by Mr. Dickinson that Sara Faganbe appointed voted on and passed

City Attorney--- Motion by Mr. Dickinson seconded by Mr. Woods that John Gregory be appointed voted on and passed.

Mayor Pro-Tem --- Motion by Mr. Dickinson seconded by Mr. Woods that Hoyt Edwards be appointed voted on and passed.

At this time the council appointed Mr. Tom David to serve as Civil Defense Director.

Mayor Lawrence stated at this time that he wanted the city to be progressive in 1957 but in a economical way. Suggested that each Dept. head make an effort to save in every way possible and that he felt the city would be in good financial shape by the end of 1957.

Mr. David stated to the council that he and Mr. Edwards had made a visit on Line Street to the J. C. Cobb house and the Harold Davis House. Mr. David stated that some work needed to be done to get the houses in proper shape and to satisfy the owners. After much discussion the council agreed to get a carpenter to do some work on the J. C. Cobb house and get a painter to paint the inside of the Harold Davis house in the rooms that were cracked caused from moving.

Mr. Bud Shugart and Mr. Frank Spector had been complaining about the old reservoir leaking and water running down on the road in front of their house on Boston Road. The water has been freezing causing a hazard. After discussion Mr. Woods made a motion that the city discontinue the use of the old reservoir as soon as a new gauge could be installed on the new stand pipe. This motion seconded by Mr. Dickinson voted on and passed.

Mr. Woods reported that the sidewalk at the depot on Oothcalooga Street needed repairing. Also that a school bus was parking at the corner of King and Oothcalooga Streets. Mr. Woods wanted to know how much it would cost to cover the ditch in front of his father's house on Oothcalooga Street. Council instructed police and city engineer to take proper action to correct these matters.

Mr. Edwards reported that he thought the city should replace the gravel in the driveway of the Bud Shugart home since an overflow from the old reservoir had caused the gravel to be washed away. Mr. Edwards reported that a street light was needed at the Negro school.

Mayor Lawrence reported that cars were parking on both sides of Hicks Street near the corner of Park Avenue and that buses and big trucks were having trouble making the turn from Park Avenue to Hicks Street. After discussion Mr. Dickinson made a motion that the South side of Hicks Street between Park Avenue and South Wall Streets be yellow curbed and made a no parking area. This motion seconded by Mr. Edwards voted on and passed.

Mayor Lawrence instructed the Police to leave the red lights working in the usual manner on Sunday as he thought the lights on blinking were causing a traffic conjection on Court Street.

Mr. Edwards made a motion that the pool room ^{LICENCES} ~~tax~~ be set at a flat rate of 75.00 per year. this motion seconded by Mr. Dickinson voted on and passed/.

The council agreed at this time to switch the gas bill at the Civic Center from the Community Chest to the City.

Mr. David reported that Mr. A. A. Graves wanted to move his office to the Civic Center if an office there could be found for him. After discussion Mr. David made a motion that Mr. Graves be given an office in the Civic Center until needed by the City for other purposes. The heat and lights to be furnished by the city. This motion seconded by Mr. Edwards voted on with all voting yea but Mr. Dickinson who voted nay.

Approved Ray Lawrence
Mayor

Calvin Caldwell
City Clerk