

February 26, 1957  
Calhoun, Georgia

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

Meeting opened with prayer by C. M. Jones

Minutes of the previous meeting read and adopted.

Mr. Edward Lindsey of the Clement A. Evans Bonding Company was present and explained the present bond market values. Stated that they could see little change in the interest rates for the near future. Presented the council with a schedule of the payments on an extra \$ 150,000.00 water revenue certificates at the present market and the anticipated market. Stated that they would be interested in the water revenue certificate to finance a new water line to Plainville and Sugar Valley.

Mr. C. F. Gaines from Plainville was present and explained that he wanted the City of Calhoun to know that the citizens of Plainville were interested in City running water to their city and would do all they could to help the project.

Mr. Joe Eaves of the American LaFrance Co. Was present And Mr. Kaley of the Mac Truck Co. was also present in the interest of the City or County purchasing a new Fire Truck. Mayor Lawrence Stated that no action could be taken at this time.

Mr. David stated to the council that he had been working on the possibility of buying a fire truck by contributions or pledges and working out some plan to pay the people back the amount they contributed. Stated he had pledges of approximately \$ 6,500. Stated that his plan was to give the business houses a ten year contract of protection, to charge \$.50 per month to the water customers, \$50.00 per call to the customers within a five mile radius. After Mr. David presented his plan for discussion, Mayor Lawrence ask for some action. No action taken at this time.

Mr. C. M. Jones and Mr. J. H. Starr were present and both expressed belief that the solution to the problem would be to attach a percentage water bill to the regular customers as a fire service. This would make the big users pay more for fire service and it could be deducted from income tax where the donation could not be. Mr. Frank Hobggod and Mr. C. L. Moss stated that they thought the people outside should have some kind of fire service and they would be willing to go along with anything fair. The discussion was settled with the possibility of five men signing a note to borrow the money and the county setting up fire districts to be voted by the people and the revenue from these districts pay back the money borrowed to purchased the truck.

Mr. J. C. Cobb was present and ask the council to do some work on his house on Line Street. Mayor Lawrence stated he would go along with giving Mr. Cobb \$250.00 if he would sign a release to the city of no further complaints. Mr. David made a motion to this effect but could not get a second when Mr. Cobb refused to say he would sign the release.

At this time Mr. Dickinson made a recommendation that leading citizens in the area immediately surrounding the City of Calhoun, work with County Officials in providing a fire truck to be maintained by the City of Calhoun and for use in protecting area property. The truck would be financed by the citizens concerned who would be repaid from revenue gained by setting up fire districts at the next session of the legislature and levying a special fire tax.

Mr. Dickinson made a resolution that the Mayor of Calhoun write the Mayor of Rome expressing the appreciation for the kindness shown the aldermen and Fire Chief on their visit to the Rome Fire Dept. on the 25th day of February, 1957.

Mr. Woods stated that he would like to see the stumps on the North Side of Oothcalooga Street torn up and removed and also see the cab stand on Oothcalooga Street cleaned up.

There being no other business Mr. David Made motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Dickinson voted on and passed.

Approved   
Mayor

Respectfully Submitted  
Calvin Caldwell, Clerk