



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2026 - 7:00 PM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM**

MINUTES

PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
Ed Moyer, Mayor Pro Tem
Al Edwards, Councilmember
Jackie Palazzolo, Councilmember
Bruce Potts, Councilmember

ALSO: Paul Worley, City Administrator; Kyle Ellis, Utilities Administrator; Brandon Bowen, City Attorney; Erik Henson, Water and Sewer Director; Brooke Land, Human Resources; Ken Carson, Police; Kevin Sutton, Police; Don Colburn, Police; Mike Schutz, Fire Chief.

1. **Council Meeting Called to Order**
Welcome
Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.
Invocation
Councilmember Edwards gave the invocation.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
Mayor Palmer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
3. **Amendment or Approval of Proposed Agenda**
Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
4. **Amendment or Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Councilmember Moyer made a motion to approve the minutes of the work session of August 24, 2026. Councilmember Potts gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

- B. Councilmember Potts made a motion to approve the minutes of the council meeting of August 24, 2026. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

5. **Mayor's Comments** – Mayor asked everyone to keep the family of Don McGinnis in prayer. Don was a 46-year employee of the City of Calhoun who passed on September 7, 2026.

6. **Council Comments**

- A. Councilmember Palazzolo submitted August reports as follows:

1) **Police Department**

- Made 243 cases with 15 DUI's
- Fines collected by Municipal Court - \$37,174
- Issued 569 warnings
- Investigated 74 highway accidents, 33 private property accidents
- Obstruction - 6
- Lethal Weapon Encounter - 6
- Alarm responses - 124
- Miles patrolled: 45,285

2) **Municipal Court**

- Citations from Police Department-243
- Court cases docketed - 266
- Probation cases assigned - 10
- Probation revocations - 2
- Bench warrants - 6
- Failure to appear - 22

3) **Fire Department**

Suppression Division

- 184 – Total Calls for Service to Include:
 - 7 – Fire Calls
 - 132 – Rescue and EMS Response
 - 45 – Service Calls
- 8.3% decrease from July
- Department Response Times**
- Turnout Time – 1 minute 45 seconds
- Travel Time – 3 minutes 54 seconds
- Total Response Time – 5 minutes and 39 seconds
- 3.14% decrease from July

Inspections Division

- 47 - Annual Inspections
- 3 – New Business Inspections
- 10 – Requested Inspections
- 14 – Follow-up/Reinspections
- 15 - Plan Reviews
- 4 - Zoning and Annexation Meetings

- 1 - Fire Extinguisher classes
- 10 - Inspections requested
- 22 - Consultations

Training Division

- 1116.38 Hours – Total Department Monthly Training Hours
- 2.34% decrease from July

Department Monthly Events

- August 1st, 2026 – Farmers Market
- August 3rd -8th, 2026 – Fire Department Supervision Course
- August 3rd – 7th, Toured Kerry facility
- August 10th – 14th, 2026 – Swiftwater Rescue Technician course
- August 11th – 12th, 2026 – Hosted GSAR Quarterly training – Confined Space
- August 17th and 20th, 2026 – Intro to Vehicle Extrication for Calhoun High School
- August 24th, 2026 – 4 New Recruits started

4) Safety Committee

There was no safety meeting held in the month of August. Safety meetings are now held on a quarterly basis. No safety inspections were performed in August.

- Vehicle accidents: 3 vehicles
 - 1- community development
 - 1- meter reading
 - 1- police
- Workers' compensation: 1 workers' comp with police

5) Library

- There are 13241 library card holders, 5,262 library visitors, and 9,787 total circulation.
- There were 376 story time attendance, 270 adult program attendance, 123 new users, 1,964 e-books, 3,560 audio books, 240 computer logins, and 1,832 Facebook visits.

B. Councilmember Edwards presented August reports as follows:

1) Electric Department

Current Electric Department Engineering and Construction:

The LED Streetlight upgrade continues around the city.

ENGINEERING

Store on Curtis Pkwy

New Recreation Department

180 Professional Ct (New Building)

New roundabout on Curtis Pkwy

116 Yellow Jacket Dr (New Athletic Facility)

Calhoun South Industrial Park (4 Buildings)
 International Commerce Center 2
 AT&T Cell Tower (Red Bud Rd)
 Calhoun Highschool Athletic Facility
 Overhead to underground conversion (Calhoun Lodge)

CONSTRUCTION

New development on Peters St (102 homes)
 Salacoa Subdivision
 Piedmont Street Pole Upgrades
 New townhomes on Newtown Rd (Ridgeview) (65 units)
 Reroute of the Salem Rd pump station line
 Continued system upgrades for new growth and system reliability
 New homes at Old Mill phase 2
 Overhead to underground conversion (465 Red Bud Rd)

• NEWLY CREATED	.104
• CLOSED	92
• CONSISTING OF:	
• CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION	27
• DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE	18
• OUTAGES / TROUBLE CALLS	9
• SECURITY / STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE	8
• TEMPORARY POWER HOOK UP	5
• WORK FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS	208
• NEW METER SETS	8
• METER MAINTENANCE/REPLACEMENT	77
• ELECTRIC LOCATE TICKETS PROCESSED-	222

WORK ORDERS IN PROCESS OR COMPLETED:

The City of Calhoun's Electrical load for AUGUST 2026 is about 35 million kilowatt hours (kWh's).

2) Telecommunications

- Completed email system migration for all city departments.
- Meetings with telecom vendor on upcoming equipment/software upgrades.
- Updated/renewed web server and email security certificates.
- Reviewed upcoming changes to Public Service Commission annual telecom reporting requirements.
- Software updates on Nutanix virtual servers.
- Met with Gordon County Public Works on upcoming projects that may require relocation of fiber.
- Meeting with city website vendor on new website development. Submitted deliverable as needed.
- Completed firewall firmware Updates.
- Completed installing 3 of 4 Electric Department's new intellirupter devices (equipment mounted and spliced).
- Setup and installed a 5 new laptop/desktop computers/printers at various departments.
- Troubleshooted a number customer's internet connections.
- Added 1 new internet customers.
- Upgraded 1 customer's internet plan.
- Submitted 3 quotes for new internet customers.
- Completed a number of 811 fiber locates.
- Opened 15 work orders and closed 11 work orders.

Geographic Information Systems

- Updated Electric Department's Outage Management System.
- General GIS data request.
- Submitted updated Electric data to our locate company USIC.
- Water meter and water system updates.
- Update Sewer data in GIS
- Updated cemetery mapping data
- Generated Electric Usage Reports
- Updated data and mapping for the following:
 - Water system and meter updates
 - Fiber
 - Zoning
- Updated Physical addressing, building and billing information.
- Updated City and GIS web sites.

3) Building Inspections

Issued 136 permits for an estimated cost of \$7,142,559, collected \$60,197 in permit fees. This included 14 new residential, 10 residential remodel, 3 new commercial, 3 commercial remodels, 0 new industrial, 2 industrial remodel, 25 residential plumbing, 18 residential electrical, 12 residential HVAC, 2 commercial plumbing, 10 commercial electrical, 3 commercial HVAC, 2 industrial plumbing, and 3 industrial electrical. 430 total inspections.

C. Councilmember Potts submitted August reports as follows:

1) **Water and Sewer Operations**

Water Treatment Plant

- Total gallons withdrawn: 402,880,000
- Daily average: 12,996,129
- Wells: 70,190,000
- Big Springs: 102,700,000
- % produced by Brittany Drive: 42.9%
 - Brittany Dr. daily production to capacity: 47.26%
 - Mauldin Rd. daily production to capacity: 42.73 %
 - Rainfall for August – 7.71"

Waste Water Treatment Plant

- Treated a daily average of 5.167 MGD, with an average BOD effluent of 3, average suspended effluent of 7, and an average COD of 62.

Water Distribution & Wastewater Collection

- 409 work orders completed, 30 new water connections, 24 water service leaks repaired, 25 water main leaks repaired, 173 meter changes, 49 utility locates called in for work orders, 663 utility locates responses.
- 0 new sewer connections installed, 13 sanitary sewer connections installed by contractors, feet of Sanitary Sewer Services cleaned and camera inspected, 550 sewer locates completed, 2,100 feet sanitary sewer mains cleaned, 10 sanitary sewer services repaired.

2) **Water and Sewer Construction**

- Defoor Loop 1" galvanized replacement project. This project consisted of replacing approximately 1,200' feet of an older, undersized 1" water line for a new 2" line to provide better service and water quality to the customers in this area. This project has been completed.
- Spring Valley Sewer Rehabilitation Project –This project consists of improving an older segment of our sewer system to reduce I&I and free up additional capacity of this sub-basin. The scope includes upgrading approx. 6,000' of sewer main from a 12 inch to 15 inches. There are a couple of outstanding items needing addressed that consist of some minor walkway patching at the rec center, etc. However, this project has been substantially completed.
- New Fire Tower Water Tank Project –This project consists of replacing an aging and undersized 1-million gallon-tank for a new 2-million-gallon tank on the north side of our system. The bid opening is scheduled for October 6th.

- Oothcalooga St Sewer Replacement – This project consisted of replacing approximately 250' of 8" sewer along Oothcalooga St due to failures along the sewer main. City crews successfully completed the replacement during the week of July 20th. City crews are finishing relaying the storm drain and Northwest Georgia Paving is scheduled to preform patching near the end of September.
- GDOT SR 53 & Brown Lee Mtn. Water Relocation Project – This project is under construction and consists of consolidating, relocating, and upsizing two different water lines to accommodate highway improvements near the intersection. Construction for this project has resumed after GDOT obtained required construction easement. This project is approximately 95% completed.
- East May St, Hazel St, Sandy St, & Pamela Dr 2" & 4" Galvanized and Cast Iron Replacement Project. This project consists of replacing approximately 8,000' of undersized and/or aging water lines to improve serviceability and water quality for the surrounding customers. 1,100' was replaced last month, bringing the project completion to approximately 30%.
- GDOT SR 156 @ Salacoa Bridge Water Relocation Project. - This project consists of relocating and upsizing approximately 4,000' of 8" water lines to accommodate a GDOT bridge replacement project. City crews have laid approximately 2,800' (70%) of new 12" water lines.
- Proposals for CMAR Services of the two water treatment modification projects have been received. The selection committee has evaluated the proposals and a letter of recommendation to award preconstruction services will be provided tonight for consideration and possible approval.

Projects in Design & Development

- Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Modifications – Conceptual designing of the two water treatment plants is now underway.
- Paul Lusk Sub-basin I&I and flow study.
- Blackwood Creek Sewer Rehabilitation and Improvement Project
- Salem Rd Bridge Water Relocation Project - This project consists of relocating approximately 600' of 12" water lines to accommodate a Gordon County bridge replacement project. Permitting for this project is now underway.

- Boone Ford @ Lovers Lane Water Relocation Project – This project consists relocating approximately 500' of varying-sized lines to accommodate a Gordon County intersection improvement project.
- Peters St. Phase III Water Relocation – Under preliminary review.
- Curtis Pkwy Water & Sewer Relocation – Bids for the road portion of the project have been received, and the water & sewer relocation portion should go out for bid sometime near the end of month.
- The Engineering Department is actively working on 14 plan reviews, along with approx. 15 inspections of developments and projects that are progressively under construction.

D. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer submitted August reports as follows:

1) **Public Works**

Street Department

- Completed 31 shop and 28 street dept. work orders.
- Installed 10 new street signs.
- Repaired pot holes and utility cuts using 22 tons of asphalt.
- Repaired storm drain at College Street.

Cemetery

- Performed routine maintenance on Fain and Chandler cemetery.
- Supervised the opening and closing of 8 grave sites including 0 inurnments in the columbarium.
- Sold 6 grave spaces in Chandler, 2 in Fain and no columbarium spaces.

Parks Department

- The grounds crew picked up litter, mowed, trimmed bushes, hauled garbage to the dump, and maintained records in the records room.
- The maintenance crew maintained designated buildings downtown.
- Replaced the broken water tank on the toilet at the depot.

Animal Control

- Housed 12 dogs and 7 cats
- Number of dogs adopted: 5
- Number of cats adopted: 5
- Number of dogs rescued: 3
- Number of cats rescued: 3
- Number of dogs reclaimed by owner: 4
- Number of cats reclaimed by owner: 0
- Number of dogs euthanized: 2
- Number of cats euthanized: 0
- Number of warnings given: 2

- Number of bite cases: 1
- Citations issued: 0

2) **Recreation Department**

FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION – Registration for fall sports concluded in August for Football, Cheerleading, Soccer, Girls Volleyball, Cross Country , and adult softball. A total of 980 youth participants for the Fall programs. Registration up by 173 participants for the Fall.

Registration Numbers:

Football – 196 participants
 Cheerleading – 66 participants
 Soccer – 582 participants
 Girls Volleyball – 106 participants
 Cross-Country – 30 participants

Youth Football Opening Day – September 8
 Cross-Country Opening Day – August 29
 Youth Soccer Opening Day – September 5
 Girls Volleyball Opening Day – August 31

Fall Adult Softball - There are 7 teams registered to participate in the Fall league. The league will begin games September 14.

SENIOR PROGRAMS/EVENTS:

There were 20 senior citizens that went on the trip to visit the Atlanta History Center and have lunch at the Swan Coach House on August 13.

TENNIS

Combo Leagues – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
 Drills and Instruction Daily – (Dave Stokes/Russ Munson/Brian Chastain) 50 participants weekly
 Grant proposal has been turned in to USTA for court resurfacing

PARKS –

The following tasks were completed throughout the month:

- Parks mowed and groomed weekly
- Prepared practice fields for football and soccer
- Pressure washed soccer and softball buildings
- Prepared high school softball field for games
- Prepared middle school softball field for games
- Prepared fields for Friday Night One Pitch Tournaments
- Sprayed football complex bleachers for wasps
- Groomed dog park

WEBSITE -

CalhounRec.com
2,441 Sessions
4 Posts
1,651 users
4,311 page views

Facebook
10,097 -Posts Engagements
20 - Posts
106,464 – Page Views

3) **Downtown Development Authority**

Downtown Business & Property Development

Jeremy King's business, located in the recently renovated 210 S. Wall Street building, is now set to open in early October, about a month earlier than initially expected. We've encouraged Jeremy to take advantage of Rocktober Fest, which will be located on Wall Street, as an opportunity to introduce festival attendees to his new business.

Cheyenne's Boutique closed this month after 11 years in downtown Calhoun. Owner Alexa has decided she is ready for a new adventure, and we are grateful for the many years she invested in our downtown. She is currently showing the property to potential buyers.

We continue to see interest from businesses looking to locate downtown, which is encouraging. Our biggest challenge continues to be the limited availability of suitable buildings and spaces.

Staff & New Hires

We are excited to welcome Pam Mills as our new Main Street Coordinator! Her first day will be Monday, September 14. With Alicia joining us this summer, we are looking forward to getting into a good rhythm with our expanded part-time team and seeing what we can accomplish with the additional capacity.

Sierra and Alicia both took advantage of DCA and Georgia Main Street training opportunities this summer, and Pam will begin her training this winter. Investing in this training is an important part of building a strong and knowledgeable Main Street team.

Downtown Events & Programming

The Downtown Calhoun Farmers Market (DCFM) is entering its final weeks, and what a season it has been! We'll pull our final visitor and vendor data once the season wraps up and will include those numbers in the next report.

The final market date is Saturday, September 19, which will be our Fall Finale. We'll have everything shoppers need to make dinner and get their porches ready for the season.

Rocktober Fest is coming up on October 10. We are requesting to again close Wall Street/Hwy 41 for the event, following the same footprint and event

structure used last year. The Special Event Permit Application and Black Sheep Promotions' temporary alcohol permit are attached for Council review.

Trick or Treat Main Street is set for Friday, October 30, from 4–6 p.m. We will meet with the Calhoun Police Department to discuss additional traffic control and safety measures based on some close calls during last year's event. Our goal is to make sure this continues to be a fun family event while creating a safe environment for children, families, and businesses.

7. Zoning Hearings and Comments

Announce at this time, public hearings will be held. The public will have the opportunity to make pro and con comments with a ten minute maximum time limit for each side of the matter, with each person giving their name and address. An inquiry should be made to determine if any elected official has filed a disclosure statement regarding ownership or special interest in any of the agenda items. Zoning Land Use Maps on display in Council Chambers for Zoning Advisory Board and Council hearings.

- A. Public hearing of an annexation and zoning request from County A-1 to R-2 at a location of 569, 597, and 599 Liberty Road, being parcels 035-004, 035-004A, 035-003, and 035-079 for 32.00 acres, by David Fowler. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting was held September 10.

- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
- City Administrator Worley gave the report on legal requirements and notices stating that all had been met.
- Councilmember Edwards gave the report on Zoning Advisory Board stating that the board recommended approval of the annexation and zoning request.
- Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments.
- Attorney Terry Brumlow, on behalf of David Fowler, stated that he has been doing closings for a long time and there is still a need for houses like this proposed development. He noted that more people are moving to the area and asked that the Council follow the recommendation of the Zoning Advisory Board. He stated that there have been concerns voiced by existing residents about the drainage. He reassured us that the developers could improve the drainage problem.
- David Fowler, 101 Woodedge Dr NE, with Fowler Construction, said that the development will benefit the city by increasing property tax revenue and bringing approximately 173 new customers to Calhoun utilities.
- Devin Childers, 664 Liberty Rd, Yvette Lainey, 706 Liberty Rd, and Al Hudson, 971 Liberty Rd, spoke in opposition to the requested annexation and zoning change.
- After no more comments, Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing.
- Mayor Palmer called for a motion concerning the annexation request for parcels 035-004, 035-004A, 035-003, and 035-079.
- Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the annexation request. Councilmember Potts gave a second, with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- Mayor Palmer called for a motion concerning the zoning request of R-2 for parcels 035-004, 035-004A, 035-003, and 035-079.

- Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the R-2 zoning request with the Conditional Zoning Approval Statement as follows: Subject site shall be developed in general conformity with the site plan, site plan narrative for Liberty Farm, and Dalton Engineering Consultants' report as shown as part of this application and pending review and approval of Gordon County for roadway tie-ins and improvements to Liberty Road. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- B. Public hearing of an annexation and zoning request from County A-1 to R-2 at a location of 631 Liberty Road, being parcels 035-011 and 035-011A for 39.08 acres, by David Fowler. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting was held September 10.
- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
 - Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments. There were no more public comments and the public hearing was closed.
 - Mayor Palmer called for a motion concerning the annexation request for parcels 035-011 and 035-011A.
 - Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the annexation request. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
 - Mayor Palmer called for a motion concerning the zoning request of R-2 for parcels 035-011 and 035-011A.
 - Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the R-2 zoning request with the Conditional Zoning Approval Statement as follows: Subject site shall be developed in general conformity with the site plan, site plan narrative for Liberty Farm, and Dalton Engineering Consultants' report as shown as part of this application and pending review and approval of Gordon County for roadway tie-ins and improvements to Liberty Road. Councilman Potts gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- C. Public hearing of an annexation and zoning request from Count A-1 to R-1B at a location of 161 Newtown Road NE, being parcel 050-039, by Jennifer Hernandez. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting was held September 10.
- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
 - City Administrator Worley gave the report on legal requirements and notices stating that all had been met.
 - Councilmember Edwards gave the report on Zoning Advisory Board stating that the board recommended approval of the annexation and zoning request.
 - Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments. There were no comments and the public hearing was closed.
 - Mayor Palmer called for a motion concerning the annexation request.
 - Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the annexation request. Councilmember Potts gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
 - Mayor Palmer called for a motion concerning the zoning request of R-2.
 - Councilmember Edwards made a motion to approve the R-2 zoning request. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

8. Other Hearings and Comments

A. Public hearing of a beer and wine package request at a location of 1531 Dews Pond Road, by Trading & Investments, LLC d/b/a Calhoun Chevron. Alladin Punjani is the owner, and Lenin Potampambil is the proposed store manager.

- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
- City Administrator Worley gave the report on legal requirements and notices stating that all had been met.
- Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments.
- Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing and called for a motion concerning the alcohol request.
- Mayor Pro Tem Moyer made a motion to approve the alcohol license request. Councilmember Potts gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

9. Old Business: None

10. New Business

- A. First reading of a variance request of 52 feet, to vary from the required 800 square feet of floor area to 748 square feet of floor area to allow for a sidewalk in front of the apartment complex, for 2.51 acres at a location of 400 Harlan Street, being parcel C24-070 and a 1.04-acre portion of parcel C11,176 by Alaska Grogan. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held October 8 and the public hearing October 12.
- B. First reading of a de-annexation request for 2.07 acres, at a location of Doubletree Drive, being parcels C56B-162, C56B-161, and C56B-160, by Cole Williams. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held October 8 and the public hearing October 12.
- C. First reading of a Class E beer, distilled spirits, and wine pouring request at a location of 214 North River Street, by Casa Brasa Peruvian Restaurant LLC. Ysmel Cruz is the owner and will also serve as the store manager. The public hearing will be held October 12.
- D. First reading of a Class A beer and wine package request at a location of 96 East May Street, by Samarthya Business LLC. Tek Bahador Baniya is the owner and will also serve as the store manager. The public hearing will be held October 12.
- E. City Administrator Worley gave a recommendation of Award for Curtis Parkway and Dews Pond Roundabout Road Improvement Project Phase I and II to Wilson Construction LLC for the bid of \$5,370,545.90 as they were the lowest bidder with the best proposal for the project. Councilmember Potts made a motion to approve awarding the bid to Wilson Construction. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- F. City Administrator Worley gave a review of the submission of a contract between the City of Calhoun and the Center for Economic Development Research-Georgia Tech-Digital First Community Program. He stated it is a 4–6-month process with a cost of \$22,000 to become a Digital First Community. Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to approve the contract as presented. Councilmember Potts gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- G. Utilities Administrator Ellis reviewed the recommendation of award by Water Department to award and execute a contract with Ruby-Collins, Inc. for CMAR Services in

the amount of \$236,380.00 with a goal of developing a Guaranteed Maximum Price for both water plant modification projects that is acceptable to the City. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a motion to approve the contract as presented. Councilmember Potts gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

- H. Mayor Palmer read the request from the Downtown Development Authority to close Hwy 41/Wall Street from Line Street to the junction where Piedmont Street meets Hwy 41/Wall Street., for the 2026 Rocktober Fest, to be held Saturday, October 10th. The requested street closures start at 5:00 am and the event will run from 12:00 pm to 8:00 pm with streets reopening at midnight (Subject to GDOT Approval). Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to approve the road closures as presented. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- I. Mayor Palmer read a request from Black Sheep Events for a temporary outdoor alcohol special event permits for the provision of beer and wine for the 2026 Octoberfest. Councilmember Potts made a motion to approve the temporary alcohol permit. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- J. City Administrator Worley stated that the Police Chief Interview Committee recommends Steve Kish for appointment as the next Police Chief for the City of Calhoun, based on more than 33 years of progressive law-enforcement experience, including service in increasingly responsible leadership and command positions with the Marietta, Acworth, and Dallas Police Departments. He most recently served as Assistant Police Chief of the Dallas Police Department, where he provided executive oversight of the department's divisions with responsibilities involving organizational accountability, policy, strategic planning, budgeting, personnel, and professional standards. He holds a Master of Public Administration and a bachelor's degree in Sociology, and he is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, the Senior Management Institute for Police, Georgia Command College, and other executive leadership programs. The committee determined that Steve's experience, leadership philosophy, and vision for leading the Calhoun Police Department makes him an excellent choice. Councilmember Edwards made a motion to appoint Steve Kish as the new Police Chief for the City of Calhoun. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second, with all voting aye, motion approved. Mr. Kish was present and thanked the council members for allowing him the opportunity to serve as Chief of Police.

11. Other Written Items Not on the Agenda

12. Work Reports

- A. Paul Worley, City Administrator, had nothing to report.
- B. Kyle Ellis, Utilities Administrator, reported meeting with a financial advisor for the outstanding 2016 water revenue bond. The current amount owed is \$580,000, with over \$300,000 budgeted to be paid this fiscal year. He stated that they have been granted the opportunity to pay it off early, which will help improve the city's bond rating and allow us to revise and update the Master Bond Resolution documents. Councilmember Potts made a motion to approve paying the bond in full. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

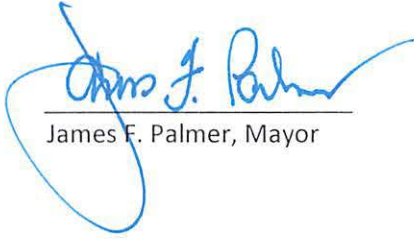
13. Motion to move to Executive Session, if needed

14. Motion to return to General Session

15. Motion to Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Council, Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Approved:


James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:


Sharon Nelson, City Clerk

