



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 13, 2024 - 7:00 PM
109 SOUTH KING STREET
DEPOT COMMUNITY ROOM**

MINUTES

PRESENT: James F. Palmer, Mayor
Ed Moyer, Mayor Pro Tem
Al Edwards, Councilmember
Ray Mitchell Denmon, Councilmember
Jackie Palazzolo, Councilmember

ALSO: Paul Worley, City Administrator; Kyle Ellis, Utilities Administrator; Sharon Nelson, City Clerk; Erik Henson, Director of Water & Sewer; Ken Carson, Police Department; Lenny Nesbitt, Fire Chief; and Donny Morgan, Superintendent of Water Distribution.

1. Council Meeting Called to Order

Welcome

Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Invocation

Mayor Palmer 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

Mayor Pro Tem Moyer made a motion to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of April 22, 2024. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

5. **Mayor's Comments**

- A. The first public hearing of the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 Annual Operating Budget and Capital Plan will be held tonight and the second public hearing on June 10th, at 7:00 p.m. A copy of the proposed budget can be viewed by the public at www.cityofcalhoun-ga.com.
- B. City of Calhoun offices will be closed Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.
- C. The next meeting of the Calhoun City Council will be held on May 20th.

6. **Council Comments**

- A. Councilwoman Palazzolo submitted April reports as follows:

1) **Electric Department**

Current Electrical Department Engineering and Construction:

- The LED Streetlight upgrade continues around the City.
- Electrical Engineering continue for the Coosa Valley Federal Credit Union, and the new townhomes on Newtown Rd.
- Construction continues on the 53 Townhomes at Old Mill, Home to Suites Hotel on Lovers Lane. The new overhead line extension on Marine Dr and The City of Calhoun building and planning building. The Electric Dept is continuing system upgrades necessary for the new growth and increased reliability.
- Construction also continues for the Exchange Apartments, Manor Lake Cottages of Calhoun on Curtis Parkway, upgrading Exit 315 to new LED lighting, the New Pickle ball courts and the new GBI building on McDaniel Station Rd.

WORK ORDERS IN PROCESS OR COMPLETED:

• NEWLY CREATED	153
• COMPLETED AND CLOSED	154
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• CONSISTING OF:	
• CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION	62
• DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE	1
• OUTAGES / TROUBLE CALLS	36
• SECURITY / STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE	1
• TEMPORARY POWER HOOK UP	10
• WORK FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS	36
• NEW METER SETS	63
• METER MAINTENANCE/REPLACEMENT	36
• ELECTRIC LOCATE TICKETS PROCESSED-	279

The City of Calhoun's Electrical load for April 2024 is about 27 million kilowatt hours (kWh's).

2) **Telecommunications**

- Connected 1 new point-to-point customer.
- Started permanent repair of customer underground fiber drop.
- Added 2 terabytes of hard disk space to file system.
- Filed annual participation form with the FCC.
- Upgraded server firmware at disaster recovery site.
- Upgraded operating system on two firewalls.
- Replaced two video recorders for Recreation Department.
- Clark de Leon joined Telecommunications Department as new IT/Cybersecurity Technician on April 1st.
- Completed GBI's Security and Awareness Training for access to Police Department computers.
- Opened 18 and closed 19 work orders.

Geographic Information Systems

- Attended 2-day ESRI Conference in Florida for training on GIS software and networking.
- Continued PFAS water mapping project.
- Continued Updating map data for Lead and Copper Service Line Inventory project.
- Participated in water modeling sessions with Engineering Department.
- 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 115 permits for an estimated cost of \$3,270,246, collected \$23,773 in permit fees. This included 10 new residential, 6 residential remodel, 1 new commercial, 1 commercial remodel, 0 new industrial, 1 industrial remodel, 14 residential plumbing, 24 residential electrical, 30 residential HVAC, 1 commercial plumbing, 2 commercial electrical, 2 commercial HVAC, 0 industrial plumbing, and 1 industrial electrical. 884 total inspections.

4) **Library**

- There are 13,711 library card holders, 5,365 library visitors, and 6,564 total circulation.

- There were 301 story time attendance, 358 adult program attendance, 90 new users, 1,359 e-books, 1,553 audio books, 474 computer logins, and 11,113 Facebook visits.

B. Mayor Pro Tem Edwards submitted April reports as follows:

1) **Water and Sewer Operations**

Water Treatment Plant

- Total gallons withdrawn: 349,600,000
- Daily average: 11,653,333
- Wells: 136,170,000
- Big Springs: 11,160,000
- % produced by Brittany Drive: 42.1%%
 - Brittany Dr. daily production to capacity: 41.61%
 - Mauldin Rd. daily production to capacity: 42.13 %
 - Rainfall for April – 3.33"

Waste Water Treatment Plant

- Treated a daily average of 6.527 MGD, with an average BOD effluent of 3, average suspended effluent of 8, and an average COD of 73.

Water Distribution & Wastewater Collection

- 325 work orders completed, 32 new water connections, 18 water service leaks repaired, 19 water main leaks repaired, 0 water services changed to new main lines, 23 meter changes, 72 utility locates called in for work orders, 692 utility locates responses.
- 2,000 feet of Sanitary Sewer Services TV inspected, 583 utility locates completed, 8,450 feet sanitary sewer lines cleaned, 2 new sewer connections installed, 7 sanitary sewer services repaired.

2) **Water and Sewer Construction**

Projects Under Construction

- GBI McDaniel Station Rd Sewer Extension. This project includes extending gravity sewer 1,000' from the city's police department towards the Hwy 53 Spur intersection to serve the new GBI building that is now under construction. This project is now completed.
- Service Line Inventory – As mandated by the EPA, every water system in the USA has to identify and develop a service line inventory of all services found within their water distribution system. This project is now underway and city crews are identifying water services throughout the distribution system. Project completion percentage approximately 85%.

Projects in Design & Development

- Water & Sewer Maintenance Building – Contract awarded and materials have been ordered for the 4,800 sq ft pre-engineered metal building.

- New Fire Tower Water Tank Project
- Water Treatment Plant Modifications
- Brittany Dr & Water Booster Stations Standby Generator Project
- Northwest Booster Station Header Modification Project.
- Peters St. Phase III Water Relocation
- Curtis Pkwy Water & Sewer Relocation
- Redbud & Hwy 41 Intersection Water & Sewer Relocation
- Spring Valley Sewer Rehabilitation Project
- Engineering Department is Actively Working on Approximately 35 Plan Reviews & Inspections for Developments.

Special Recognition

Harley Barnett successfully passed his Professional Engineering license exam. Harley has a Bachelor’s Degree in Environmental Engineering from Mercer University and has worked in our Engineering Department for over 4 years now.

C. Councilman Denmon submitted April reports as follows:

1) **Public Works**

Street Department

1. Completed 29 shop and 25 street dept. work orders.
2. Installed 2 new street signs.
3. Worked the annual BBQ Boogie and Blues festival downtown.
4. Cleaned out ditch on Riverview Drive.

Cemetery

1. Performed routine maintenance on Fain and Chandler cemetery.
2. Supervised the opening and closing of 20 grave sites.
3. Sold 16 new grave spaces.

Parks Department

1. The grounds crew picked up litter, mowed, trimmed bushes, hauled garbage to the dump, and maintained records at records room.
2. The maintenance crew maintained designated buildings downtown.
3. Cleaned and treated the water fountains downtown.

Animal Control

- Housed 0 dogs and 0 cats
- Number of dogs adopted: 0
- Number of cats adopted: 0
- Number of dogs rescued: 0
- Number of cats rescued: 0
- Number of dogs reclaimed by owner: 0
- Number of cats reclaimed by owner: 0
- Number of dogs euthanized: 0

- Number of cats euthanized: 0
- Number of warnings given: 0
- Number of bite cases: 0
- Citations issues: 0

2) **Recreation Department**

3) **PROGRAMS:**

Youth Soccer – Spring soccer played 117 games through the month of April. Games will continue through mid-May.

Youth Baseball and Softball – The spring games began on April 1 with 44 games played during the month. Games will continue through the end of May.

Camp South River – Summer Camp – registration has begun for Camp South River which will be held 7 weeks throughout the summer. The first week of camp will be June 3-, 2024

Blue Barracudas – Summer Swim team registration has started and the Barracudas will begin practice the week of May 20.

Pool – The pool is open Saturdays beginning May 11. Beginning May 27, the pool is open Monday through Saturday to the public. Pool party rentals are also available.

Tennis –

Combo 18 and over; +40 – 75 participants

Tuesday/Thursday Morning Drills – 20 participants

CHS Tennis daily use

- 4) **TOUCH OF CALHOUN** - April 20 – The touch of Calhoun had great participation with several hundred families coming out to enjoy the day. Trucks/Equipment were on display from Calhoun Fire Dept., Calhoun Police Dept., Calhoun Electric Dept., Calhoun Street Dept., Gordon County Fire, Gordon County EMS, Mauldin Trash, Parrish Towing, Discount Towing, and Nicholson Roll-offs all participated.

5) **Grounds Maintenance** –

The following tasks were completed during the month:

Repainted all soccer fields

Daily field maintenance and game set up for baseball/softball games

repainted high school soccer field

groom tennis center weekly

painted Bernstein park

Mowed and maintained all green space; ball fields; entrances

groomed dog park weekly

set up and painted football field for North Ga Cardinals Football games

Pool maintenance preparing to open for the season

6) WEBSITE USAGE

Calhoun Rec

Page Views – 2392

Users – 1468

Posts – 7

FACEBOOK

Post Engagements – 5,937

Reached – 25,034

Posts – 25

7) STAFF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY EVENTS:

GRPA Leadership II – Laura Carter attend GRPA Leadership II at Rock Eagle – 22-24.

BBQ Boogie and Blues – 3 staff members worked vendor check-in on 4/26; 10 staff members worked the People’s Choice Competition on 4/27

3) Downtown Development Authority

BBQ, Boogie and Blues 2024

The primary focus for the month of April was the upcoming 12th annual BBQ, Boogie and Blues festival held in Downtown Calhoun. Revenue totaled \$66,650.00 and expenses totaled \$40,908.30. This year’s event was marked by several updates which include:

- More vendors than years past;
- An expansion of the festival grounds to include the city parking lot along Park Avenue (this lot has previously been used only as parking but this year was filled with vendors);
- More BBQ competitors than years past which prompted moving all competitors across the railroad tracks into one area;
- City ordinance allowing for the sale of malt beverages and/or wine for consumption in public;
- Extended hours

Feedback from the community has been positive with specific praise for the extended hours, the ability to grab a beer, BBQ and walk to hear the music, and the growing variety of vendors present. Several downtown merchants extended their hours and ran their own promotional events during festival hours.

The BBQ competitors enjoyed their new area across the railroad tracks. We’ve fostered a positive reputation in the BBQ community through the years and they voiced their appreciation of our event. They enjoy the size of our city and downtown footprint, compared to festivals held in larger cities. The cost of entry remains reasonable, while most surrounding competitions are charging higher and higher fees. Because of this, more teams are able to compete and are willing to travel farther to join us.

Some opportunities for next year include:

- Extending vendor space down Park Avenue (including a dedicated Kids Zone);
- A second entertainment stage near the dentist office parking lot;
- More scheduled entertainment to include more music, dance performances, etc.;
- A longer and more robust marketing campaign to become a well-known annual festival in the northwest Georgia region
- 10 additional BBQ competitors

The festival is a beloved annual event that has a bright future for further expansion. Overall, it was a huge success. Photos from the event are attached.

Board Meetings:

- The DDA held the monthly board meeting on Tuesday, April 9th at 12 pm in the Community Room. The agenda included an update of the completed installation of three electric box wrappings around the downtown area, the announcement of a new business which opened on Court Street (Healing Glow), and updates on festival planning. The meeting packing is included for reference.
- No HPC board meeting was held this month. The next meeting is scheduled for May 21st.

Current Projects:

- Farmer's Market: We are in the process of evaluating a change of location, expansion of vendors, and larger marketing campaign. We hope to have the first market during the month of May. There is interest both from community members wishing to visit and vendors wishing to participate.
- Concert Series: We are in the process of finding available dates, acts and a possible location change to include downtown merchants in the events.
- A Fall/Halloween event

Social Media:

- We saw a large bump in traffic before, during and after the festival. We have an opportunity to use these high traffic time periods to get the word out about future event scheduling so more members of the community are aware of what programming we have to offer throughout the year. Please see the infographic attached

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

1)Police Department

- Made 393 cases with 7 DUI's
- Fines collected by Municipal Court - \$55,800.65
- Issued 957 warnings
- Investigated 60 highway accidents, 36 private property accidents

- Obstruction - 23
- Lethal Weapon Encounter - 0
- Alarm responses - 102
- Miles patrolled: 46,871

2)Municipal Court

- Citations from Police Department -413
- Court cases docketed- 239
- Probation cases assigned- 11
- Probation revocations- 1
- Failure to appear- 23
- Bench warrants-6

3)Fire Department

Suppression Division

167 Total Calls for the month to include:

- 6 Fire Calls
- 116 Medical Calls
- 5 Hazardous Conditions calls (No Fire)
- 8 Service Calls
- 3 False Alarms or False Calls

- Department average response time for April for all calls was 5:23
- Completed Fire Hydrant maintenance/ testing and testing of all Fire hose.
- Participated in the Egg Drop for Calhoun Elementary School.
- Participated in the Touch a Truck event at Calhoun Recreation Dept.

4 Life Saving events by CFD:

- April 26th, 2024 – E-31 crew of Lieutenant Goss, Engineer Dixon, and Firefighter Villatoro responded to the area of Red Bud Rd and Columbus Cir in reference to a motor vehicle accident with unknown injuries. E-31 arrived on the scene of a vehicle accident versus a building and found that the driver was unresponsive, apneic, and without pulses. Personnel immediately removed the patient from the vehicle and began to perform basic life support per protocol including CPR. During care, the patient regained pulses and began to respond to personnel. Due to the early recognition and life-saving efforts, this patient is expected to make a full recovery.
- April 27th, 2024 – Tower 1 crew of Lieutenant Fox, Engineer Kidd, Firefighter Abernathy, and Firefighter Thompson were performing public relations at the Downtown BBQ Boogies and Blues Event when they were alerted to a female patient who was actively seizing. Personnel responded to the location of the patient and began to provide patient care. The patient experienced multiple seizures and would eventually lose radial pulses and was only breathing 4 times a minute. The recognition of the patient's condition led to crews performing basic life

support including an oral airway and breathing for the patient. The patient was turned over to Advent Health EMS. Due to the early recognition and life-saving efforts, this patient is expected to make a full recovery.

- May 2nd, 2024 – E-31 crew of Lieutenant Goss, Firefighter Villatoro, and Firefighter Cantrell responded to the Pilot Travel Center in reference to a male patient unresponsive in the parking lot. E-31 crew was detailed to training and responded from the Training Center. Lieutenant Goss made the decision due to his response time to request mutual aid assistance from Gordon County Fire. E-31 arrived on scene with Gordon County Fire Department with a male patient in cardiac arrest. E-31 crew along with E-5 from Gordon County began CPR and delivered shocks with the AED. Personnel obtained a pulse while on scene and the patient was transported to Advent Health. Due to the decisions of this crew and the actions taken once on scene, this patient is expected to make a full recovery.

May 6th, 2024 – Tower 1 crew of Lieutenant Sims, Engineer Fain, Firefighter King, and Firefighter White were dispatched to Motel 6 in reference to a patient that was unresponsive with agonal breathing. Personnel arrived on the scene with a female patient in cardiac arrest. Personnel immediately began CPR and began basic life support per protocol. During patient care, the patient regained pulses and began to respond to personnel. The patient was transported to Advent Health. Due to the actions of the crew upon arrival at the scene, this patient is expected to make a full

Inspections Division

101 Total Inspections for the month

- Participated in the Touch a Truck at Calhoun Recreation Park
- Public Safety Event at First Baptist Pre School
- Worked the Fire Department Tent at BBQ Boogie & Blues event for 2 nights.
- Inspection with State Fire Marshal at 2 Autism centers in Calhoun.
- Additional Inspection with State Fire Marshal at Town Place & Exchange apartments.

Total Persons Contacted for Prevention and Education for April 1750

Training Division

1197.50 **Total Training Hours for the Department during the month.**

6108.50 **Total Annual Training Hours for the year.**

4) Safety Committee

- The safety meeting was held on April 10th and eight employees became CPR certified. A safety inspection was performed at the Brittany Drive Water Plant on April 23rd at 9:00 AM. It was found to be very safe, clean and organized.

- Vehicle accidents: 0
- Workers' compensation: 0

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 PRD for 40.15 acres, located on Peters Street and being parcels 040-026A, 040-026B, and 040-099, by Brent Stepp Construction Company. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting was held May 9th.
- 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 the board recommended approval of the annexation and zoning request.
 - Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments beginning with the applicant.
 - Terry Brumlow, 1287 Curtis Parkway, attorney for the applicant stated that the developer, the builder and the engineer for the project were all in attendance at the meeting to answer any questions. He noted that Calhoun is still in need of housing and that Mr. Stepp is planning a 55 plus community. He is also aware that a cemetery borders the property and every precaution will be taken in the matter.
 - Shana Stephens, 319 Circle Drive, stated that they have no problem with the intended use of the property but wants to ensure that if remains are found she would be notified in writing of the discovery and how the process will be handled; what was moved, how was it moved, and where was it moved. She stated she wanted to be a part of that because there are still active burials taking place at the cemetery.
 - Don Keele, 212 Woodland Circle, stated that he has worked with volunteers at the cemetery for years and has the same concerns as Shana. He also wanted to know if the parameters of the traffic study took the daily school traffic into consideration, as he was concerned with Peters Street being jammed during those times. He was also concerned with where the surveyors had placed the pegs for the boundary lines, stating they have them on his property. City Administrator Worley stated that he wanted to respond to Mr. Keele's question concerning the traffic study, and noted that the engineers do take into account school traffic. Most traffic reports are a 70 to 80 page report.
 - Brent Stepp, developer of the project, stated that the pegs start at the property line.
 - Shana Stephens stated that Colbert Cemetery owns the deed to the right-of-way for the road in question and the pegs should be on the right side of the right-of-way.

- Brent Stepp talked with the engineer, who was present with him at the meeting, and after reviewing the site plan he stated that would get those corrected.
 - There were no other comments and Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing and called for a motion concerning annexation request.
 - Councilmember Edwards made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Advisory Board for annexation and approve the request. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
 - Mayor Palmer called for a motion concerning zoning request of PRD.
 - Councilmember Edwards made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Advisory Board and approve the PRD zoning request. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- B. Public hearing of a zoning change request from Ind-G to C-2, for 5.5 acres located on Mauldin Road and being parcel C20-017, by Tejashkumar Patel. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting was held May 9th.
- 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 the board recommended approval of the zoning request.
 - Mayor Palmer opened the floor for comments beginning with the applicant.
 - Terry Brumlow, 1287 Curtis Parkway, and attorney for the applicant stated that Mr. Thomason was approached by Mr. Patel to build a convenience store with additional retail space as there are not a lot of convenience stores in the area. As part of the deal between Mr. Thomason and Mr. Patel an access road to the property in the back will remain for future access. (Per the May 9, 2024 Zoning Advisory Board minutes the road will be built to city specifications for use if the property is sold in the future).
 - There were no other comments and Councilmember Edwards closed the public hearing and called for a motion concerning the zoning request of C-2. Councilmember Edwards made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Advisory Board and approve the zoning change request. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

8. **Other Hearings and Comments**

- A. First public hearing of the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 Annual Operating Budget and Capital Plan. Eligible for adoption June 17th.
- Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing.
 - City Administrator Worley gave the report on legal requirements and notices stating that all had been met.
 - City Administrator Worley gave an overview of the proposed FY25 proposed budget totals for City of Calhoun General Government and Utilities funds. He also reviewed current budget highlights and how the continued inflationary pressures effect both General Government and Utility departments. Planned rate increases and ongoing/upcoming projects were also reviewed.

- Sarah Thomas, 106 Valley Circle, asked if the budget included monies for legal feasibility studies for possible litigation relating to PFAS. Mayor Palmer stated there was no way to provide a projection related to possible litigation.
- There were no other comments and Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing.
- The second public hearing will be held June 10th

9. Old Business

10. New Business

- A. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of a front setback variance request of 12.5 feet, to vary from 25 feet to 12.5 feet for townhome units 7-44 (38 units total), for 9.50 acres at a location of 187 New Town Road and being parcel C50-007C, by David Fowler. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held on June 6th and the public hearing on June 10th.
- B. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of a zoning change request from R-2 to C-2 for 2.53 acres, at a location of Mauldin Road and being parcel C33-077, by Sankat 1, LLC. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held on June 6th and the public hearing on June 10th.
- C. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of an annexation and zoning request from County A-1 to PRD for 4.635 acres, at a location of US Highway 41 North and being parcel 042A-015, by Marva Jean Scoggins Estate. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held on June 6th and the public hearing on June 10th.
- D. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of an annexation and zoning request from County I-1 to PRD for 30.13 acres, at a location of 1390 US Hwy 41 North and being portions of 042A-014 and 042A-013, by Echota Fabrics, Inc. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held on June 6th and the public hearing on June 10th.
- E. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of a variance request of one half foot, to vary from the required 40 foot front building setback to a 39.5 foot front building setback, for 8.07 acres at a location of 30 Union Grove Road, SE and being parcel C46-087, by Kasey Sharp. The Zoning Advisory Board meeting will be held on June 6th and the public hearing on June 10th.
- F. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of the updated 2024 City of Calhoun Zoning Map. The public hearing will be on June 10th to allow for proper zoning procedure and advertising.
- G. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of an ordinance change to Chapter 94 – Utilities; Article IV. – Sewers and Sewage Disposal; for regulations pertaining to public and private wastewater lift stations. The public hearing will be on June 10, 2024.
- H. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of a beer package license request at a location of 90 East May Street, by Cassandra Davenport d/b/a 90 Donde Inc., who will also serve as the store manager. Ms. Davenport closed for remodeling and her original license expired. The public hearing will be on June 10, 2024.
- I. Mayor Palmer gave the first reading of a beer and wine package license request at a location of 1206 Dews Pond Road, by Brijesh Patel, d/b/a Rocket #2. Mr. Patel will also serve as the store manager. The public hearing will be on June 10, 2024.

- J. Mayor Palmer read a request from Calhoun Utilities for a 60-day moratorium related to design, review and permitting of residential developments requiring sanitary sewer lift stations. This would extend the 90-day moratorium that ended on May 12th, allowing the Engineering Department to continue with revisions of the necessary development policies and specifications to provide guidance related to the approval of residential developments that cannot be served by gravity sewer, and thus requiring a lift station. If approved, the moratorium will expire on June 12th. Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the extension of the moratorium for an additional 60 days. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- K. Mayor Palmer read a request from the Calhoun Housing Authority to appoint Scope Denmon to assume the unexpired term of Rhonda Massingill, which expires September 6, 2027. Councilmember Edwards made a motion to appoint Scope Denmon to assume the unexpired term of Rhonda Massingill. Councilmember Palazzolo gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- L. Mayor Palmer read a request from the Calhoun Housing Authority to appoint Laura Braddy to assume the unexpired term of Clifford Free, which expires July 16, 2028. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer made a motion to appoint Laura Braddy to assume the unexpired term of Clifford Free. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- M. Mayor Palmer read a request from Fields Ferry Golf Club Maintenance Department to surplus the following items in need of repair on GovDeals:
- 1)Olathe Top Dresser
 - 2)Olathe 3 Point Hitch Blower
 - 3)Jacobsen Sand Rake – Parts only
 - 4)Irrigation Panel, 25HP & 50HP Motors, and 8 inch clay valve
 - 5)Toro Aerator
 - 6)Adams 4 ton Spreader
 - 7)John Deere 2155 Tractor
- Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the surplus request. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- N. Mayor Palmer read a parade request on the traditional route by Bud Owens for the Annual Northwest Georgia Regional Fair Parade on September 7th at 11:00 a.m. Councilmember Palazzolo made a motion to approve the parade request, subject to GDOT approval. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- O. Mayor Palmer read a parade request on the traditional route by Bud Owens for the Annual Christmas Parade on December 12th, at 7:00 p.m., with rain dates of December 13th and 14th. Councilmember Denmon made a motion to approve the parade request, subject to GDOT approval. Mayor Pro Tem Moyer gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.
- P. Mayor Palmer read a request from the Purchasing Department to award the bid of \$227,819.00 to Northwest Georgia Paving, Inc. for the installation of a prefabricated bridge at Calhoun Recreation Department. Councilmember Denmon made a motion

to accept the bid of Northwest Georgia Paving, Inc. Councilmember Edwards gave a second with all voting aye. Motion approved.

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 recognized Harley Barnett for successfully passing his Professional Engineering license exam. Harley has a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Engineering from Mercer University and has worked in the Engineering Department for over four years.
- C. Erik Henson, Director of Water & Sewer gave an updated PFAS report (copy attached).

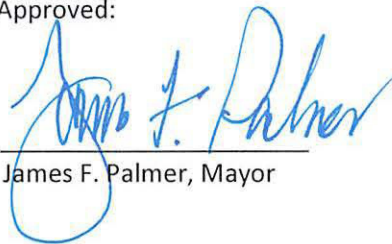
13. Motion to move to Executive Session, if needed

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. Councilmember Denmon gave a second with all voting aye. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Approved:



James F. Palmer, Mayor

Submitted:



Sharon Nelson, City Clerk

