

December 8, 1958
Calhoun, Georgia

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

Alderman Frank Dickinson opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Clerk and approved by the Council.

A group of interested citizens appeared before the council and presented a petition asking the Council and City School Board to take immediate steps to install fire escapes and help improve the safety conditions at the Grammar School. Mr. Paul Shoffner and Mr. A. A. Graves representing the city schools were present and stated that they had already notified the State Fire Marshall and that he would be in Calhoun within the next 10 days to make a report on the safety conditions at the Grammar School. After much discussion Mayor Edwards suggests that a member of the PTA, School Board, and City Council meet with an engineer from the Southeastern Underwriters and see what can be worked out. Mr. Dickinson made a motion that the meeting with the Southeastern Underwriters be held and that Mayor Edwards represent the City at said meeting. This motion seconded by Mr. Spink voted on and passed. The City Council gave the group the assurance that proper action would be taken immediately as soon as the question could be answered.

Mr. John Russell, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Nesbitt appeared before the council and requested that the city install some kind of safety light in front of the South Calhoun Baptist as this was a dangerous intersection and crossing. Mayor Edwards appointed Aldermen Spink and Alderman Dickinson to look into the matter and proceed with proper action.

Mr. Beverly Langford representing Mr. Sam Boston of Harlan Street was present and ask the Council about a new sewer line to the Boston residence. Council explained that the present line was a private line on private property and that the usual fees would have to be paid for a new line to be run to the residence.

Mr. A. A. Graves was present and requested that the council approved a change in the City Charter so that the money paid by the State to the City School Supt. be paid directly to him instead of to the treasurer of the city school board as the charter now requires. Mr. Spink made a motion that the Charter be changed to allow any money paid for salary by the state for the City School Superintendent be paid directly to him. This motion was seconded by Mr. Dickinson voted on and passed.

Insurance on the new classrooms built by the \$50,000.00 bond issue was discussed by the council. Decided to take out the insurance jointly with the State School Building Authority.

City Clerk brought before the council the matter of Social Security Coverage for City Employees. Council decided to look into the matter and discuss at next meeting.


Mr. David made a motion that all department heads be given 25% of monthly salaries and all salaried employees be given \$50.00 and all hourly employees be given \$30.00 for Christmas Bonus. This motion was seconded by Mr. Woods voted on and passed.

Mr. Si M. Harrison requested that the city pay him \$300.00 damages for trees that were burned by fire at his lot on Victory Drive. Stated this fire started when trees were burned at the new water tank on Dale Avenue. No action taken.

Mayor Edwards complimented the Junior Woman's Club, Mr. Frank Dickinson, and City crews for fine Christmas decorations in the city.

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

Approved


Mayor

Respectfully submitted,
Calvin Caldwell, Clerk