

PADGETT, ALD. COX, ALD. KING AND ALD. LEWIS IN ATTENDANCE

1. Mayor Burdette called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.
2. Mayor Burdette recognized Mr. Robert Lackey on behalf of the Council and Department Heads. Mr. Lackey will be retiring after 30 years of consecutive service with the City, as of April 1, 1978. Mr. Lackey is associated with the Sanitation Department and his supervisor is Mr. Harold (Slim) Kirby.
3. Minutes of the March 13, 1978, regular council meeting were read and approved.
4. Mayor's Comments: (a) A report was given on Trammell Patterson's condition at Tri-County Hospital at Ft. Oglethorpe.
5. Aldermen's Comments: None
6. Public Comments: (a) Gene Holbrook and several representatives of local wrecker services approached the Council regarding a monthly rotation system for city police wrecker calls. A general discussion followed. Mayor Burdette asked Police Commissioner, Ald. Lewis and Chief Davis to draw up guidelines for a rotation system and implement as soon as possible.  
 (b) Tim Walker and Robert A. Morris approached the Council for a special business license involving a "Disco" to be located on S. Wall Street next to Evans Furniture. Mr. Walker and Mr. Morris stated that off duty policemen would be hired to patrol the parking area and one for the Disco. Business hours would be from 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights until a time designated by the City. No alcoholic or malt beverages would be served and no intoxicated individuals would be allowed inside. Mr. Walker and Mr. Morris had checked with Fire Chief Grizzle regarding fire safety requirements for the building. Carpeting was being installed on walls and floors to reduce sound. After further discussion, Ald. Padgett made a motion to approve the license on the conditions of no alcoholic or malt beverages to be served, no intoxicated individuals allowed with patrolling to be done by private parties such as off duty policemen or etc., and with the understanding that the hours would be from 6:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. for the music to be turned off and 11:30 for closing, 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.  
 (c) A general discussion followed between the Council and several civic leaders from the Gordon County Civic Club regarding a proposed civic building for McConnell Road. The main topic of discussion was the maintenance and scheduling of events for the building and the parties that would be responsible for these services. The club asked that they be given several days to discuss these items with their full membership and return to the Council on April 10, 1978.
6. Old Business: (a) Supt. Hobgood reported that he had been unable to determine the owner of several small lots near the Chastain property concerning a possible addition to Fain Cemetery. He suggested that we ask the City Attorney to do a title check to determine the present owner.  
 (b) Supt. Hobgood reported that the Bishop Construction Company was almost ready to get out of the ground with work on the Civic Auditorium. There is another 8 to 10 inches of soil necessary to bring the fire hall property to the proper level. The City was doing this with its own personnel in order to save an additional \$10,000.00 to be added to the contract.  
 (c) The City Clerk reported that the County had approved the Dept. of Transportation paving contract for the taxi apron at the Tom B. David Airport, and they had also approved the engineers contract for the airport extension provided Federal funding for 90% was approved. All contracts have been signed and forwarded to their prospective locations.

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(d) A general discussion was held on several houses which are in unsafe condition inside the City. Ald. Lewis made a motion to begin condemnation procedure for the Ernest Goforth house on River Street, 2nd by Ald. King approved. The Council asked Building Inspector Bruce Bowman to inspect several locations and give the results and his recommendations at the next meeting.

7. New Business: (a) Clerk Harrison stated that the WJTH Radio Station has asked city representatives to make regular appearances on their newsmaker program. These will involve public interest items.

(b) Clerk Harrison presented reports on Workman Comp payments and extended sick leave payments for the Council to review. The Clerk explained the present policy used in paying workman's comp and requested direction for future payments in order to fulfill the Council's wishes. After discussion, Ald. Lewis made a motion for Supt. Hobgood to review each workman's comp accident report before any payments and give direction to the Clerk until the case is reviewed by the Council at the next meeting. 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.

(c) The Clerk presented a request from the Trustee, Calhoun First National Bank, of the City Cemetery Trust for a change in determining the annual fee. The Clerk presented a current report on the trust and comparison of fees for a smaller trust set up with the Trust Company in 1927 by local citizens. Ald. Lewis made a motion to authorize Mayor Burdette to sign the amendment regarding the fee, 2nd by Ald. King and approved.

8. Ald. Padgett made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.

9. Ald. Lewis made a motion to reconvene the official business meeting, 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.

10. Ald. Lewis made a motion to draw an amendment to section 15-6 of the Code of Ordinances to read as follows: Section 15-6 Charitable Fund Raising Solicitations-Permit Required. It shall be unlawful for any person, organization, society or other entity to sponsor or engage in any fund raising campaign and/or solicitation of funds for any charitable or public purpose, irrespective of whether all or any part of such funds are to be used or applied for any such charitable or public purpose, without first obtaining a permit from the Clerk of the City.

Amendment - Add - Said permits are to be issued for charitable fund raising purposes without a fee, but limited to no more than two permits in a calendar year for any one organization, society, person or charity. 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved as a first reading of the ordinance amendment.

11. A copy of the newly adopted by-laws of the Calhoun-Gordon County Recreation Commission. The amendments to the by-laws dealt with change in terms from 5 years to <sup>4</sup> ~~5~~ years and the method of filling vacancies or reappointments. After discussion, Ald. Lewis made a motion to approve the amended by-laws of the Calhoun-Gordon County Recreation Commission, 2nd by Ald. King approved.

12 Ald. Padgett made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.

Approved:

W. C. Burdette,  
Mayor

Respectfully submitted:

(Mrs.) Cathy Harrison,  
City Clerk