

1. Mayor Burdette called the meeting to order, and Rev. Eugene Ward gave the invocation.
2. Mayor Burdette swore in Ald. Cox for his new two year term.
3. Minutes of the Dec. 27, 1976, regular meeting Jan. 3, 1977, special meeting were read and approved.
4. Mayor Burdette gave his address to the audience and council as per attached copy.
5. Ald. Lewis made a motion to elect Ald. Padgett as Mayor Pro Tem, 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.
6. Mayor Burdette appointed the Aldermen to the following committees:
Ald. Padgett - Water-Power-Sewer
Ald. Harwell - Recreation, Parks, Airport and Civil Defense
Ald. Cox - Streets, Sanitation and Cemetery
Ald. Lewis - Police, Fire and Special Licenses
7. Ald. Harwell made a motion to appoint the following Dept. Heads, 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved:
City Supt. - Jim Hobgood
City Administrator - Hoyt Edwards
City Clerk-Treasurer - Cathy Harrison
Police Chief - Hugh Don Davis
Fire Chief - Ferrell Grizzle
Street, Sanitation, Cemetery, Rabies Control - Harold Kirby
Electric Dept. - Jack Bell
Water Plant - Estes Pass
Sewer Plant - Jimmy Fox
Water, Sewer Construction - Raymond Fowler
Building Inspector - Bruce Bowman
8. Ald. Lewis made a motion to appoint Thomas L. Shanahan as City Attorney, 2nd by Ald. Cox and approved.
9. Ald. Lewis made a motion to appoint Rev. John Allen as City Chaplain, 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.
10. Ald. Lewis made a motion to appoint the Calhoun First National Bank as city depository, 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.
11. Ald. Cox made a motion to appoint the audit firm of R.M. Dobbs as city auditor, 2nd by Ald. Lewis and approved.
12. Comments from Aldermen: Ald. Cox expressed his appreciation for having worked with the Fire and Police Depts. for the past year, and congratulated Chief Davis and Chief Grizzle for their fine work.
Ald. Harwell congratulated Billy Bearden of the Recreation Dept. and Buddy Autry of the Civil Defense for their excellent work during the year.
Ald. Lewis congratulated Harold (Slim) Kirby for the continued good work on the Street, Sanitation and Cemetery Depts.
13. Comments from Dept. Heads: Police Chief Hugh Don Davis stated that he had enjoyed his past months association with the City and stated his intention of doing the best job possible for the coming year.

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14. Public Comments: (a) Jerry Strickland requested that the City place the streets of Richards, Cherry and Louise Avenue on their paving priority list.
- (b) Milton Stewart, Chairman of the County Commission, expressed his and the County's intention of working with the City in an effort to provide the best possible governments for the citizens of the County and City.
- (c) Lloyd Faulkenberry appeared before the Council to request a special license for the Hicks Street Pool Parlour. After discussion, and a full explanation of the regulations, Ald. Lewis made a motion to approve the license, 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.
- (d) Mayor Burdette explained that Mrs. Kay Pope was unable to attend the meeting and requested that she be placed on the 24th agenda.
15. Old Business: (a) The Clerk gave a 2nd reading to the Peddling on City Streets Ordinance, a motion was made by Ald. Harwell to waive the 3rd reading and approve the ordinance, a reluctant 2nd was made by Ald. Lewis (who stated that he realized the necessity of the ordinance, but that he hated to see the day of street peddling come to an end). The motion was approved.
- (b) Ald. Cox made a motion to approve water taps for Sam Moss, off the Dews Pond Rd; Ray Edward Rogers, 114 Telfair St.; and Robert L. Stephens of the Skyline Subdivision. 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.
- (c) Chief Grizzle explained to the Council that the new fire truck would be here a little sooner than expected. He stated that since the City had been unsuccessful in obtaining a E.D.A. Grant for a new fire station that he was ready to be given directions by the Council on providing a place for the truck. The Mayor asked each Council member to think about this matter and be prepared to make a decision at the next meeting.
- (d) The Council discussed the question of the City signing a note for a lot in the Barry Wright Subdivision for the High School Vocational Dept. to construct a house on site. The house would be sold and the proceeds would pay for the lot and materials, with the balance being returned to the Vocational Dept. Fund. The Clerk explained the legal aspects related by the City Attorney. He stated the note would have to be paid before the end of 1977 and recommended full time supervision by the teachers. The school stated all students would be covered by school insurance. After further discussion, Ald. Lewis made a motion for the City to sign a note and allow construction of one house with regards to the above suggestions as well as having the building covered by builders risk insurance. 2nd by Ald. Cox, Ald. Harwell did not cast a vote, Mayor Burdette voted to approve the project.

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16. New Business: (a) Electric Superintendent Jack Bell asked the Council to approve an agreement with Georgia Power, which would allow the City to use Georgia Power's easement to construct a power line to the Beamer Farm property. Ald. Cox made a motion to approve the agreement, 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.
- (b) City Supt. Hobgood presented sealed bids on a plumbing truck as per the budget adopted earlier.
Roy Davis Chevrolet - \$4,498.75; Ford - \$4,827.00; Ald. Cox made a motion to accept the low bid, Roy Davis Chevrolet \$4,498.75, Ald. Lewis 2nd the motion and was approved.
- (c) Supt. Hobgood stated that the Clerk had informed him of new unanticipated funds, which could be used to purchase another police car. After further discussion, the sealed bids were opened. Roy Davis Chevrolet, Impala with police package - \$5,391.66; Prater Ford, LTD 2 - \$4,819.00 and \$5,214.00 on a full LTD. Ald. Lewis inquired if the two Ford autos included the cooling systems required for police vehicles. After discussion, it was agreed that the bids be held until Jan. 24 to determine if the heavy duty cooling systems were included.
- (d) Supt. Hobgood presented a list of city streets for the Aldermen to discuss and set priorities, for possible future State contracts. Rev. Ward asked if Alexander Street was included. This street was added to the list. Mayor Burdette asked Ald. Cox to investigate the streets and make a recommendation to the Council at the next meeting.
17. Ald. Harwell made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Ald. Lewis and approved.

Approved:



W. C. Burdette,
Mayor

Respectfully submitted:



(Mrs.) Cathy Harrison,
City Clerk