

1. Call to order by Mayor Burdette and the invocation by Rev. John Allen, city chaplain.
2. Minutes of the Aug. 8, 1977, regular council meeting were read and approved.
3. Mayor's Comments: (a) Mayor Burdette commended the Council and the City Dept. heads for the extremely fine job of staying within our budget. Out of a six and one-half million dollar budget, income was under by \$22,954.00 and total actual expenses were under by \$58,147.00.
(b) Mayor Burdette stated that renewed efforts should be made to obtain a red light at the McConnell exit on Route 53, Oothcaloga Street, since a young child was hit again at the intersection during the past week.
(c) Police Chief Davis stated that another child had been hit near the Hollingsworth apartments over the weekend. He stated that officers Wayne Brown and Jesse Mann were on the scene and gave prompt first aid care to the victim before arrival of the ambulance. Ald. Harwell made a motion to pass a resolution of commendation for Officers Wayne Brown and Jesse Mann for their prompt and efficient response in administering first aid and their handling of the situation, 2nd by Ald. Lewis, approved by Ald. Padgett and Mayor Burdette.
4. Alderman's Comments: Ald. Harwell stated that he had received several comments from citizens regarding traffic situations. One was on the curb parking at Smitty's Restaurant causing through traffic hazards. The Council asked Chief Davis to talk with Mr. Smith regarding painting a yellow curb in front. Second was the sharp curve before entering Crestmont Subdivision. The Council stated that the State would not approve a traffic light but additional signs might be beneficial. Third, a deadend sign had been requested on Meadow Lane at the entrance to Stone Haven Drive. Fourth, the crossroads at Dews Pond (East Line),
5. Pisgah Way and Boulevard Heights.
5. Public Comments: A citizen inquired if a recommendation on his zoning application had been received from the zoning board. The Council had not received the recommendation.
6. Old Business: (a) Ald. Lewis made a motion to waive the 3rd and 4th reading of the Robert Dorsey, Jr. annexation ordinance and approve for residential 1 zoning and annexation, 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.
(b) A general discussion followed on parking at the High School. City Supt. Hobgood stated that during construction of the new auditorium several parking spaces would be lost. The school had requested that Fair Street from Pine to Oothcaloga be made a one way street with parking on each side. The Council asked that this be considered and studied over the next two weeks.
(c) Supt. Hobgood stated that the first meeting on the auditorium construction was held on Aug. 22. A rough outline and type of

building had been furnished by the architect. He further stated that the City should hear from the grant within the next two weeks.

(d) After a general discussion on the parking meter post, the Council agreed that removal could be started. Signs advertising two hour parking had been ordered and would be erected upon delivery.

(e) The Mayor read appeals from Richard Cook and Judy Hamrick for a review by the Council concerning the Personnel Advisory Board hearing. Ald. Lewis made a motion to accept the decision of the Personnel Advisory Board and not grant a review by the Council, 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.

(f) The City Clerk stated that she had received notice of rate increase for the city employees group insurance. After comparing the 17% increase, with the bids received from other companies, Liberty National's increase was still slightly below the other bids. After Ald. Padgett excused himself from discussion, the Council stated that to be fair, the City should request bids.

(g) A hearing on the anti-recession budget was held. The Clerk explained what anti-recession funds were and where they came from. Ald. Padgett made a motion to approve the civic building for \$24,500.00 and a sewer plant shop building for \$11,500.00, 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.

7. New Business: (a) James Ownes stated that he had applied for a variance on set back of I-75 for construction of his liquor store. He had made application through the Board of Appeals and furnished copies to the Council. After discussion of the situation and the Board's recommendation, Ald. Lewis made a motion to grant the variance, 2nd by Ald. Padgett, Ald. Harwell abstained and approved by Mayor Burdette.

(b) City Supt. Hobgood stated Charlie Chadwick and Howard Black had inquired about extending the City water line an additional 5700 feet for five taps at present and for nine within the next two or three years. An estimated cost would be \$7,850.00 for a 6 inch line. After further discussion, Ald. Padgett made a motion to approve the extension for a current price of \$6,000.00 to be paid by the developer, with the City to do the work. The City would lay the line as soon as time permitted. Should the extension price be paid at the time of the work it would be subject to current material cost, and there would be no refunds for future taps. Motion 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.

(c) City Supt. Hobgood presented a request from Georgia Power to increase an easement by 37 ft. in the city-county industrial landfill on the Oostanaula Road. After discussion, Ald. Lewis made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the easement after it was checked by the City Supt. and approved by the County Commission, 2nd by Ald. Padgett and approved.

(d) Ald. Harwell made a motion to approve signing of a paving contract with the Dept. of Transportation and a maintenance

agreement on approximately one half mile of the South Industrial Blvd. Road., 2nd by Ald. Padgett and approved.

(e) Ald. Lewis made a motion to approve an acquisition and clearance of right-of-way agreement on the above project, 2nd by Ald. Harwell and approved.

(f) Ald. Lewis made a motion to accept a low bid of \$1640.00 by White's Body Shop for repair of a police vehicle, 2nd by Ald. Padgett and approved.

(g) Bids were read on the 30" water line construction from the water plant to Line Street. They were: Coosa Utility \$44,037.50; Ed Duvall \$80,200.00; Aruthur Pew \$48,167.00. Ald. Harwell made a motion to accept the low bid of Coosa Utility, \$44,037.50, 2nd by Ald. Padgett and approved.

(h) City Supt. Hobgood reported that the cost to extend sewerage to Frank Walraven and five other residents in the area would cost approximately \$16,000.00. After discussion the matter was tabled until spring because of the lack of funds and working time.

(i) The Mayor announced the Hotel-Motel tax public hearing to be held Aug. 23, at 7:30 p.m.

(j) Mayor Burdette stated that Ald. Cox was on vacation.

8. 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