

May 22, 1961
Calhoun, Georgia

City Council met in regular session at the city hall with all members present.

Alderman Frank Dickinson opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the clerk and approved by the council.

George McClure a colored citizen from the west side wanted to know if the city council was still interested in purchasing a lot that his family owned near the colored school. After discussion Mayor Edwards suggested that Supt. James Oeens check with Supt. Vassa Cate and see if the school needed the lot and leave it up to Mr. Owens about the purchase of said lot. Council was in agreement with the Mayor's suggestion.

Fairbanks Long, a colored citizen from west side, was present at the meeting and requested the council consider issuing him a beer license at an Alexander Street address. Fairbanks stated he had someone to back him and furnish the money for a license and bond. Council instructed Fairbanks to get up the money for a bond and they would consider issuing him a 6 months license on the old license of Edd Long.

Mayor Edwards reported that R. C. Hayes had resigned as Police Chief for other employment. City Council accepted the resignation effective May 15, 1961. The question of who to make chief was now taken up. Alderman Dickinson made a motion that Luther Roberts be made police chief at a salary of \$363 per month plus clothing allowance. This motion received no second and Mayor Edwards declared the motion dead. Alderman David made a motion that George Hayes be made police chief at \$363 per month plus clothing allowance effective immediately. This motion received a second from alderman Norton. Mayor Edwards called for a vote and alderman David, Norton, and Woods voted for the motion and alderman Dickinson voted against. Mayor Edwards declared the motion carried. Alderman David then made a motion that Luther Roberts be made a police lieutenant at a salary of \$340 per month plus clothing allowance and transferred to the day shift. Also that any of the night boys with seniority be transferred to the day shift at the same pay as they were drawing for night duty. This motion was second by alderman Dickinson voted on and passed.

Mayor and Council agreed to sell the property owned by the city on West Line Street to A.R. McDaniel Jr. for the sum of \$6,500.00 with \$1000.00 cash and the balance at 6% for six months. This being the former Jack Haney and Dave Nelson property.

Alderman David made a motion that Fire Chief Bill Champion be given a raise of \$10.00 per month or a total of \$324.60 per month, the assistant chief Quinton Ward be raised to \$290.00 per month and the regular fireman be given a \$5.00 per month raise or \$283.30 per month. This motion received a second from alderman Woods voted on and passed.

Council agreed to hire Max Sexton as a new night policeman at a salary of \$290.00 per month plus clothing and that he be given a raise of \$10.00 each month until the regular night salary of \$312.50 was reached.

Mayor Edwards read the letter of resignation from Mr. Edd Lacey a member of the City-County Planning Commission. No action was taken on his replacement.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Approved


Mayor

Respectfully submitted
Calvin Caldwell, Clerk