Council Meeting December 10, 1998

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, December 10, 1998 at 7:30 P. M. at the Courthouse.

PRESENT: Mayor John Adams; Councils Bob Harris, Arnold Williams and Beverly Martin; City Manager, David Phelps; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Public Utilities Director, John Thursby; Fire Chief, J. C. Plair; Police Chief, Woodrow Blue.

ABSENT: Councilman Jesse Griffin.

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order.

Mayor Adams led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, then gave the invocation.

Visitors were welcomed and a quorum was established.

Council Harris made a motion to approve the minutes of November 5th, 1998, seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.

Council Williams made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING

- (A) To amend the Fiscal Year Budget for 1998: Mayor Adams reported on the budget. Council Williams made a motion to amend the Fiscal Year Budget for 1998, seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.
- (B) To amend the Hahira Zoning Ordinance: Mr. Matt Martin of the Planning Commission reported on the zoning ordinance. Council Martin made a motion to accept the rezoning application, seconded by Council Williams. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

Council Harris made a motion to approve the special exception HA9804, seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.

END

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (A) Renewal of the Inter-Local Agreement for Joint Provision of Planning, Zoning and Building Inspections Services: Mr. Matt Martin of the Planning Commission reported on the Inter-Local Agreement. Council Williams made a motion to continue with agreement, seconded by Council Martin. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.
- (B) Request by Fire Department to purchase one complete Bunker Suit: Fire Chief, J. C. Plair, requested Council's approval to purchase the bunker suit at a cost of \$789.50. Council Williams made a motion to buy one complete Bunker Suit for the Fire Department, seconded by Council Harris. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.
- (C) Presentation by the Hahira United Methodist Church "Quilting Group": Ms. Joyce Tomlinson, spokesperson for the Quilting Group, presented a check for \$500.00 to the city to be used for Christmas decorations for the city.
- (D) Change Order to Contract on City Hall Renovation: City Manager, David Phelps, read the change orders. Council Martin made a motion to accept the change order for the additional work, seconded by Council Williams. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.
- (E) Christmas Bonuses for City Employees, Annual Payment to Volunteer Fire Department: Mayor Adams reported on the bonuses. Council Harris made a motion to approve and pay the bonuses, seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.

Council Williams made a motion to pay sick leave, seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.

Council Williams made a motion to pay the volunteer fire department, seconded by Council Harris. Vote was unanimous.

- (F) Southland Contractors to repair various streets within the city: Mayor Adams reported on street repairs. Southland Contractors contract would be for \$7,110.00. Council Harris made a motion to contract with Southland Contractors, seconded by Council Williams. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.
- (G) City sponsoring luminary on 12/19/98: Mayor Adams reported that the luminary would be on Saturday, December 19th. Council Harris made a motion that the city sponsor the luminary, seconded by Council Williams. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.
- (H) Request to purchase computer equipment for City Hall: Mayor Adams reported on upgrading the computer system at City Hall. Cost would be \$13,798.00. Council

Williams made a motion to purchase from SDI, seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.

(I) Appointments to Hahira Historical Preservation Commission: Mayor Adams reported that there were two appointments to the Historical Preservation Commission that have expired. Ms. Melba Weldon has agreed to be reappointed. Mr. Perry Griffin will be replaced by Ms. Lydia Hunnicutt. Council Williams made a motion to approve the two appointments, seconded by Council Harris. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

City Manager, David Phelps reported on telephone rates. The Georgia Municipal Association can offer lower rates to the city.

Don Darby of the Department of Transportation has been contacted to complete the work on Main Street and South Church Street.

Council Martin had no report.

Council Williams thanked the quilting ladies from the Methodist Church for their donation.

Council Harris also thanked the quilting ladies for their donation.

Mayor Adams called on Chief Woodrow Blue, who presented the Franklin Award to Lt. Terry Davis and Sgt. Bobbi Dumas for their work in the Police Department. They each received \$100.00.

Mayor Adams reported that the Christmas parade would be this coming Sunday.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

John F. Adams, Mayor Clerk Marilyn Brady, City