

## Council Meeting January 9, 2003

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, January 9, 2003 at 7:30 P.M. at the Courthouse with Mayor Crowe presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Myron Crowe; Councilmen Wayne Bullard, Joel Hunnicutt, Terry Benjamin and M. C. Nelson; City Manager, Bonnie Tindall; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Public Works Director, John Thursby; Police Chief, Terry Davis; Fire Chief, J. C. Plair; City Attorney, Willie Linahan.

1. Mayor Crowe called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.

Mayor Crowe called on Police Chief, Terry Davis, to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation by Mr. Wilmon Stanley. Visitors were welcomed.

2. Mayor Crowe called on a motion to approve the December 5, 2002 Council Minutes; Called Council Meeting. December 23, 2002; 2002 Budget Amendment Hearing, December 30, 2002. Council Benjamin made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

3. Review of bills: Mayor Crowe asked Council to review the bills.

#### 4. PUBLIC HEARING

##### A. HA-2003-01 Text Amendment – Sections 2-56 and 5-1.2 "Special Exception"

Sherry Davidson of the Planning Commission reported that the City of Hahira is requesting to initiate a text amendment for the Zoning Ordinance. The text amendments will amend Section 2.56 and Section 5-1.2. The purpose of initiating this amendment is for clarification purposes.

Mayor Crowe asked if there was anyone in favor of the Special Exception. No response.

Mayor Crowe asked if there was anyone against the Special Exception. No response.

Council Hunnicutt made a motion to approve the Special Exception, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

END

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA:

##### A. Bid Options for Generators for Wells

Public Works Director, John Thursby, requested releasing bids for generators for the wastewater and drinking water system. He requested purchasing 1 stationary unit for the water well located on Tillman Street, plus two stationary generators for the two larger lift stations (East Main and I-75).

##### B. Time and Location for 2003 Town Hall Meetings

Mayor Crowe reported that the quarterly meeting would be on March 6, June 5, Sept. 11 and Dec. 4 at 6:30 PM at the Courthouse. Council Meetings would be at 7:30 PM.

C. Proclamation for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Mayor Crowe called on Mr. Freeman Rivers to read the Proclamation on Martin Luther King Day. Mayor Crowe finished reading the last of the Proclamation declaring January 20<sup>th</sup> as Martin Luther King Day in Hahira.

D. Reappointment of Brian Sumner to the Greater Lowndes Planning Commission

Mayor Crowe read a letter from Robert Jefferson recommending Brian Sumner to be reappointed to the Greater Lowndes Planning Commission.

E. Reappointment of Marcus Holt to the Greenspace Advisory Board

Mayor Crowe reported that Trinni McDonald, Lowndes County Planner, had sent a letter of recommendation for Marcus Holt to be reappointed to the Greenspace Advisory Board.

F. Public Works Request from Dr. Jesse Parrott to Reuse Concrete for Patio behind Caboose

PW Director, John Thursby, reported that Dr. Jesse Parrott requested using the concrete from the sidewalks for a patio behind the Caboose. He agreed to supervise the project. There would be no cost of materials to the City, just the time involved.

G. Addendum for Sanitation Service

City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, read the proposal on Clarification on Waste Containers inside the City Limits of Hahira and the proposal for Large Containers Dumping.

H. Execute Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed for the CDBG Park Street Project

Mayor Crowe asked for Council's approval to sign documents on the above.

Mayor Crowe called on a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Items A through H. Council Nelson made a motion to approve, seconded by Council Benjamin. Vote was unanimous.

6. Execute Agreement Between City of Hahira and Government Acquisitions, Inc. for Two Vehicles – One for Public Works and One for Fire Department

PW Director, John Thursby, reported that he filed an application to acquire two vehicles for the City, one for Public Works and one for the Fire Department. The application was approved. After discussion, City Attorney, Willie Linahan, stated that certain changes to the contract should be made before it is signed.

Council Bullard made a motion to enter the agreement, with the stipulations on certain changes to the contract as stated by City Attorney, seconded by Council Nelson. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

7. Execute Intergovernmental Agency Agreement for Zoning Administration Services

Mayor Crowe recommended executing the Intergovernmental Agency Agreement for Zoning Administration Services. Council Benjamin made a motion to execute the Intergovernmental

Agency Agreement, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

8. Execute Intergovernmental Agency Agreement for Building Inspection Services

Mayor Crowe reported that this agreement with the City of Valdosta and Lowndes County was for Building Inspection Services. Council Bullard made a motion to approve, seconded by Council Hunnicutt. Councils Bullard, Nelson and Hunnicutt voted yes. Council Benjamin abstained. Motion passed.

9. Execute Change Order for Pedestrian Facilities at Tobacco Warehouse between Marshall and Hall Streets

Mayor Crowe reported that the present plan shows solid concrete in the area and he recommended putting in grass and trees in the area. Council Nelson made a motion to execute the Change Order, seconded by Council Benjamin. Vote was unanimous.

10. REPORTS

A. COUNCIL

Council Benjamin stated that this past year has been an exciting year and a learning experience.

Council Hunnicutt had no report.

Council Bullard said it was good to see everyone after the holidays. It has been a nice year and hopes that this year will be even better.

Council Nelson had no report.

B. CITY MANAGER

City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, asked everyone to pick up a flyer on the Volunteer Fire Department, in reference to the city looking for people who meet the criteria to become volunteer fire fighters.

The Blood drive will be held this Sunday at the Methodist Church from 12 noon until 4 PM.

The Police Department has hired a new police officer.

A new bulletin board has been put up in front of City Hall, which will be used for posting notices, Council Meeting minutes, etc.

C. MAYOR

Mayor Crowe reported that it has been a good year and a learning experience.

He apologized for the condition of the sidewalks during the holidays, which are being worked on through the Streetscape program. Hopefully the work will soon be done.

Mayor Crowe called for a motion to enter into an executive session. Council Hunnicutt made a motion to enter into an executive session, seconded by Council Benjamin. Vote was unanimous.

Council meeting ended at 8:15 PM.

Myron Crowe, Mayor

Marilyn Brady, City Clerk