

## **Council Meeting**

**March 6, 2003**

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, March 6, 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. Clair; City Attorney, Willie Linahan.

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

Mayor Crowe called on Council Bullard to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation by Mr. Wilmon Stanley. Visitors were welcomed.

Mayor Crowe called on a motion to approve the February 3, 2003 Council Minutes. Council Benjamin made a

Motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Council Nelson Vote was unanimous.

### **REVIEW OF BILLS**

Mayor Crowe asked Council to review the bills.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

HA-2003-02 Text Amendment – City of Hahira Zoning Ordinance – Sections 13-6

Sherry Davidson, Comprehensive Planner of the Greater Lowndes County Planning Commission, reported on the Text Amendment, which would add Section 13-6 (Conditional Zoning) to the Zoning Ordinance.

Mayor Crowe asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in favor of the amendment. There was no response.

Mayor Crowe asked if there was anyone wishing to speak against the amendment. There was no response.

Mayor Crowe called on a vote to approve the Text Amendment, Section 13-6. Council Hunnicutt made a motion to approve the Text Amendment, Section 13-6, seconded by Council Benjamin. Vote was unanimous.

END

### **DEPARTMENT REQUEST**

#### **A. Purchase of Cargo Storage Container – Public Works**

Public Works Director, John Thursby, asked Council to approve the purchase of a storage container, which would be used to store Christmas decorations, lights, banners, flags, etc. for the City. Cost of the storage container would be \$900.00 from The Parrott Company. Council Hunnicutt made a motion to purchase the

storage container, seconded by Council Nelson. Councils Nelson, Hunnicutt and Benjamin voted yes. Council Bullard voted no. Motion passed.

B. Pipe installation – W. Stanfill Street – Public Works

Public Works Director, John Thursby, asked for approval to install 160 ft of drain pipe, one flared end section and one catch basin on West Stanfill Street to help reduce the possibility of standing water in the ditches. Total cost \$3,400.00. Cost to the city would be \$1,800.00. The balance would come from in-kind service. Council Benjamin made a motion to install the pipe on W. Stanfill Street, seconded by Council Nelson. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

C. Pipe installation from Hall Street to Newsome Street – Public Works

Public Works Director, John Thursby, asked for approval to install pipe from Hall Street to Newsome Street. Total cost of the project would be \$19,434.00. The city's out-of-pocket cost would be from \$7,800.00 to \$7,900.00. Council Bullard made a motion to install the pipe, seconded by Council Benjamin. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

D. De-Commission of City Vehicles – Public Works and Fire Departments

Public Works Director, John Thursby, reported that there were five vehicles that needed to be de-commissioned. Council Benjamin made a motion to de-commission the vehicles, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Decision of Courthouse Flooring
- B. Purchase of Courthouse Chairs

Mayor Crowe stated that the decision on the courthouse flooring and purchase of chairs would be taken off of the agenda and will be discussed at a later time.

Shelter for 1949 Fire Truck

Public Works Director, John Thursby, reported on building the shelter for the purpose of housing the 1949 fire truck. This would include the roof and the slab constructed beside the caboose. Cost of the project would be \$2,500.00. A grassed area would be between the shelter and the caboose. Council Hunnicutt made a motion to approve, seconded by Council Benjamin. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Decision on Cleaning Services

Mayor Crowe reported on the cleaning services. The city will continue to use the current cleaning services until someone can be hired for the part-time position.

- B. Execute Agreement with CMA Architectural Services, Inc. for ADA Compliance

City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, reported that the CMA Architectural Services proposal would be in three phases: Architectural drawings, specifications and bidding of the project. Estimated cost of the projects would be \$7,500.00 each. They would reduce the cost by \$2,000.00 if all of the projects are accepted, which would make the total \$5,500.00. She recommended letting CMA do all three projects, but have the bids set where the city can accept or reject any part of them.

C. Execute Agreement with Gloria Coleman for use of Pick-In Park

City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, reported that the agreement with Gloria Coleman would allow the city to use the Pick-In park for the Eggarama, the Honey Bee Festival and another event sponsored by BHT.

D. Execute Engagement Agreement with Gary R. Zeigler, P.C.

City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, reported that the agreement with Gary R. Zeigler, P.C. would cost between \$10,000 and \$15,000 for auditing services.

E. Execute Agreement with Rick Whitman for LAS

City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, reported that the agreement would allow Mr. Rick Whitman to cut and bail the hay at the LAS.

F. Execute Agreement with Teen Leadership Conference – June 9-13 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

G. Execute Agreement with Camp Learn-a-Lot – June 16-July 25 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mayor Crowe reported that Ms. Sheila Warren had send a letter from the Teen Leadership Conference and Camp Learn-a-Lot for permission to use the Community Center for these programs.

H. Appointment of Pension Committee Secretary

Mayor Crowe reported that the appointment is done every year. Marilyn Brady, current secretary, will continue as Pension Committee Secretary.

I. Award Bid for Woodwork for Past Mayors Photo Gallery

City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, reported that there were two bids received . Fields Cabinet Shop was recommended.

J. Permission for Mayor to Attend Chamber's Washington, D. C. trip in May

Mayor Crowe reported on the Chamber trip, which will be May 7 – 9. Cost would be around \$1,000.00.

K. Employees Appreciation Day – May 24

Mayor Crowe reported that the employees appreciation day would be at Reed Bingham Park in Adel.

Mayor Crowe called on a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Benjamin made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

## COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Benjamin reported that the sidewalks were near completion.

Council Hunnicutt asked Public Works Director, John Thursby, about the status of work being done on Nelson and Coleman Streets. He also stated that he was glad to see the Streetscape Program nearing completion.

Council Bullard had no report but mentioned the recent rains and the need for more rain.

Council Nelson reported that he and Mayor Crowe had recently attended a Chamber of Commerce meeting in Valdosta at the Conference Center; A fourth house is being build in Audubon Heights Subdivision, also a house in being build in Edgewater Subdivision by Nelco: He praised all of the city workers for the jobs they were doing for the city.

## CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, reported on Employee Appreciation Day.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Crowe reported the Park Street Project would soon start.

There being no further business to discuss, Council Hunnicutt made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Myron Crowe, Mayor

Marilyn Brady, City Clerk