

HAHIRA CITY COUNCIL
JANARARY 6, 2005
COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor and Council met in regular session on Thursday, January 6, 2005 at 7:30 P.M. at the courthouse with Mayor Crowe presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Myron Crowe; Councilmen M. C. Nelson Wayne Bullard, Temple Gundy and Terry Benjamin; City Manager, Janice Loge; City Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Police Chief, Terry Davis; Public Works Director, John Thursby; Fire Chief, Dwight Bennett; City Attorney, Rob Plumb

Mayor Crowe stated that a quorum was present.

Mayor Crowe called on Police Chief, Terry Davis, to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Crowe gave the invocation.

Visitors were welcomed.

REVIEW/ CORRECTION OF MINUTES: Amend Nov 4th Council; Nov 29th PUBLIC HEARING & WORK SESSION; Dec 2nd COUNCIL; AND Dec 20th SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

Mayor Crowe asked Council to review the minutes

Council Benjamin made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Council Ogunda. Vote was unanimous.

REVIEW OF BILLS

Mayor Crowe asked Council to review the bills

MAYOR PRO-TEM

Mayor Crowe recommended Council Terry Benjamin as Mayor Pro-Tem. Mayor Crowe asked Nominations. Council Ogunda nominated Council Terry Benjamin for Mayor-Tem for 2005. Council Nelson made a motion to close the nominations, second by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

Council Ogunda made a motion to accept the nominations of Council Benjamin as Mayor Pro-Tem for 2005, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

CITY CLERK ELECTION

Mayor Crowe stated that Marilyn Brady, City Clerk, has given a letter of resignation to be Effective January 31, 2005, therefore the City Council would need to elect a new City Clerk To start by February 1, 2005. City Manager, Janice Logue, has agreed to accept the position.

Council Benjamin made a motion to elect Janice Logue as City Clerk for the City of Hahira Second by Council Ogunda. Vote was unanimous.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mr. Robert Copeland, 326 W Main Street, stated that a tree in Wyche Park, next to his building, Has some limbs that are protruding onto his building and he wanted the city to remove them.

Mr. Freeman Rivers, 204 S Hall Street, commended the city for appointing Council Benjamin as Mayor Pro-Tem for 2005. He also thanked the city for putting "Citizen to be heard" back on Sergeant Street, hoped that they would be able to correct the problem. He also stated cities honor Dr. Martin Luther King nationally, which is all well and good but we can't do it for one weekend Because the life of Dr. King and many others in that struggle didn't take place in just one Weekend. He hoped that the city be more receptive this year.

PROCLAMATION FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

Mayor Crowe asked Council Ogunda to read the Proclamation. Mayor Crowe read the last Paragraph declaring January 17, 2005 as Dr. Martin Luther King, Day in Hahira.

DEPARTMENT REQUEST

(A) Approve CDBG workshop

City Manager, Janice Logue, asked for approval to attend the CDBG workshop, which would be Held on January 19th, through the 21st. The seminar would cost \$145.00 Cost of the hotel would Be \$113.00 per night. Three nights would be \$339.00.

(B) Approved Feb. City Clerk Training.

City Manager, Janice Logue, Stated that the training class would be held in Athens GA. On Feb 13th through the 16th. This would include the 3 nights for \$237.00. The Training cost would be \$250.00.

(C) Approved IT Services Agreement

City Manager, Janice Logue, stated that the city has two individual companies who have been Providing computer service contracts, Shealy Computer Services and Independent Computer Services. Both companies charge \$300.00 per month, however Independent Computer Services Guaranteed the city 2 to 4 hours of his time to come in and personally look at the computers and Shealy did not offer that in their contract. Staff recommended Independent Computer Services.

(D) Approved Corporate Resolutions

City Manager, Janice Logue, stated that due to the City Clerk's retiring, the resolution and Signature blocks would need to be change at the bank.

(E) Approved Training Class Feb 15-16

Fire Chief, Dwight Bennett, reported that the training class would be at no cost to the city.

(F) Approve Clearing UV Lightning right-of-way.

PWD, John Thursby, asked for council's approved to rent a bulldozer to use in clearing the right-of-way. Cost would be \$1,600.00.

(G) Approve Competent Person Excavation Training.

(H) Approve Certified Confined Space Entry Program Training

PWD, John Thursby, asked for council's approval to send one of his employees to the training Class. Cost would be \$175.00.

(I) Approve purchase of Street a Paving Equipment

PWD, John Thursby, asked for approval to purchase the street paving equipment for \$1,000.00.

(J) Approve \$1,500 truck purchase

PWD, John Thursby, asked for approval to purchase a used truck for \$1500.00.

(K) Approve Street Sweeping Agreement

PWD, John Thursby, asked council to approve the Street Sweeping Agreement with Roy Butler.

Mayor Crowe asked id there were any questions on the Department Request Consent Agenda. There was no response. He asked council to approve the consent Agenda.

Council Benjamin made a motion to approved the Department Request Consent Agenda, second by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

CONSENT AGENDA

(A) Approve Local Emergency Operation Plan

City Manager, Janice Logue, asked Council to approve the Local Emergency Operations Plan. There have been some minor changes since the storm last year. All municipalities in the County are on the list.

(B) Approved Board of Elections Agreement

Mayor Crowe asked Council to approve the agreement with the Board of Elections to handle The city elections.

(C) Approve Month to Month Lease on Building for Fire Truck

Mayor Crowe asked for approval for the lease, which would be \$200.00 per month, until the New building is completed

(D) Approve Hahira Web Creations Agreement

Mayor Crowe asked for Council's approval to sign the agreement with Hahira Web Creations. Cost would be \$250.00 per month for 12 months.

(E) Approve execution of Consultant Agreement.

City Manager, Janice Logue, asked for Council's approval to execute the agreement with Marilyn Brady, City Clerk, who will be retiring January 31, 2005. The agreement is for consulting services And transcribing the minutes of all Work Sessions and Council Meeting for the City.

(F) Approved re-appointment of Hoyt Coppage to Housing Authority Board. He has agreed to serve on the board.

(G) Approve execution of Engineering Services Contracts

City Manager, Janice Logue, asked for Council to approve the Engineering Service Contracts with Lovell Engineering. This would include work on Franks Creek, Park Street and Sargent Street.

Mayor Crowe asked if there were any questions on the Consent Agenda. Council Gundy recommended that appointed committee members should come to the Council Meeting occasionally and inform the city as to what is going on.

Mayor Crowe called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Council Nelson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Council Gundy. Vote was unanimous.

SWEARING IN OF NEW POLICE OFFICER- BILLY BROGDON

RECOGNITION

(A) Employee of the Quarter

Mayor Crowe called Police Officer, Brian Quinlan to come forward. Mayor Crowe stated that Brian was chosen as Employee of the Quarter for October through December 2004. A dinner for Two at his choice of restaurant. Was presented as compliments from the city.

REPORTS

(A) COUNCIL

Council Nelson reported that Dr. Moye was having the water problem in Audubon Heights Subdivision worked on

Council Bullard had no report

Council Ogunda wished everyone a Happy New Year. He welcomed Billy Brogdon to the City. He complimented the City for making January 16, Martin King, Jr. Day in the City

Council Benjamin thanked the Council for allowing him to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem for 2005. He stated that he would continue to work hard for the city. He thanked Marilyn Brady for her Services to the city and Billy Brogdon for joining the force. He stated that the past year had Been like a roller-coaster but much was achieved throughout the year and he hoped that the City would achieve as much as last year.

(B) CITY MANAGER

City Manager, Janice Logue, thanked everyone for the Christmas Parade appreciated all of the Citizens who supported the parade.

She congratulated Council Benjamin on being nominated as Mayor Pro-Tem for 2005 and thanked Him for being available when he is called.

(C) MAYOR

Mayor Crowe stated that he appreciated what Marilyn Brady has done over the years.

He also stated that, in reference to what Council Benjamin had stated, that it had been somewhat A roller-coaster year and the city has had some ups and downs and he was thankful that the Council had pulled together an work together. There is a lot of work coming. He commended The council on their insight and vision for the future and he looked forward to the next year.

He asked everyone to continue to pray for our country and the victims of the flood.

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

Myron Crowe
Mayor

Marilyn Brady
City Clerk

Janice Logue
City Manager