

Council Meeting
May 7, 1998

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

PRESENT: Mayor Pro-Tem, Bob Harris; Council Jesse Griffin, Arnold Williams and Beverly Martin; City Manager, Scott Purvis; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Police Chief, Woodrow W. Blue; Public Utilities Director, John Thursby.

ABSENT: Mayor John Adams.

Mayor Pro-Tem Harris called the meeting to order, led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, gave the invocation and welcomed visitors.

A quorum was established.

Council Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of April 9, 1998, seconded by Council Griffin. Vote was unanimous.

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

Old business: Department of Corrections contract with state prisoners: City Manager stated that the wording concerning compensation had been put back in the contract. City Attorney, Linahan, had approved of the contract. City Manager recommended entering the agreement. Council Griffin made a motion to enter the agreement for use of the prisoners, seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.

New business: Ms. Myrna Ballard, Executive Director, Valdosta-Lowndes County Chamber of Commerce - Chamber update: Ms. Ballard reported on the quarterly report. She reported on the budget for the chamber, chamber staff, reaccreditation of the chamber, activity reports, economic development program, membership development, community affairs and their goals for 1998.

Georgia Rural Water Association - fluoridation test equipment: City Manager reported that at last November's meeting, Council passed a resolution for a fluoridation grant from GRWA for \$1,000 for test equipment. They advised that the city would receive the \$1,000, however, the city would have to enter into a contract stating that the \$1,000 would be used to purchase the test equipment and that the city would not sell it. He recommended entering contract with GRWA. Council Griffin made a motion to enter the contract, seconded by Council Williams. Vote was unanimous.

Contract with Lowndes County to repair potholes: City Manager reported on the contract with Lowndes County. Council Martin made a motion to table it until we could get all the information we need until next meeting, seconded by Council Griffin. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

Special Called Meeting - Thursday, May 14, 122 Sewer Project: City Manager reported that bids will be opened on Tuesday and he recommended having a Called Meeting. Council Williams made a motion to have the Called Meeting on Thursday, May 14, at 6:00 P.M., seconded by Council Martin. Vote was unanimous.

Council Martin reported that Mr. Robert Stevenson had talked to her about a tree in Wyche's Park that the roots were affecting the foundation of the building in which he lived. John Thursby stated that he would see about it.

Council Martin reported that Ms. McCann on Wright Street asked for a street light. She asked if it would be possible to install a light.

Council Williams stated his appreciation working with Scott and that he would miss him.

Council Griffin stated that he, also, concurred with Council Williams about Scott. He also stated his appreciation to the citizens who helped on Clean-Up Day.

Mayor Pro-Tem Harris stated the same appreciation for Scott.

City Manager reported that men from Geo Sciences had installed three wells in the parking lot and took samples from the wells; He and John Thursby met with D.O.T. officials on the handicap ramps; An grant application was submitted to DOCA for development funding of Smith Park. He thanked everyone for their support during his tenure with the city.

Mayor Pro-Tem Harris and Council Griffin went to a GMA meeting in Quitman today; They received a dividend credit check from GIRMA for \$5,015.00.

Council Griffin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Harris. Vote was unanimous.

Bob Harris, Mayor Pro-Tem
Clerk

Marilyn Brady, City