

Council Meeting

June 7, 2001

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, June 7, 2001 at 7:30 P.M. at the Courthouse.

PRESENT: Mayor John Adams; Councilmen Bob Harris, Wayne Bullard, Joel Hunnicutt and Sonny Copeland; City Manager, Danny Lucas; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Public Utilities Director, John Thursby; Police Chief, Terry Davis; Student Council Christopher Bullard.

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order, then led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Adams asked everyone present to take a moment of silence in remembrance of the anniversary of D-Day and for all veterans who have served in the military, and those who gave their lives in service to our country. He then gave the invocation.

Visitors were welcomed and a quorum of council was established.

Councilman Harris made a motion to approve the minutes of May 10, 2001, seconded by Councilman Hunnicutt. Vote was unanimous.

Mayor Adams stated that Council could review the bills at City Hall, since they were not ready in time for the Council Meeting.

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

(A) Department Requests:

City Manager called on Public Works Director, John Thursby, who requested approval to purchase an 8X10 portable building for an office at the wastewater treatment plant. He recommended purchasing from American Portable at a cost of \$895.00. Councilman Harris made a motion to accept the proposal, seconded by Councilman Hunnicutt. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

Public Works Director, Thursby reported on a change order on the wastewater treatment plant contract, which would be for the extension of an additional line from the lift station to the aerated pond. This change order would give the city two lines and allow the pumps to increase the pumping capacity. Councilman Copeland made a

motion to approve the change order, seconded by Councilman Hunnicutt. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

(B/C) Bid award for renovation of Police Department and second floor of City Hall and construction of ADA handicap ramp:

City Manager, Danny Lucas, reported on two bids for renovation of the Police Department and upstairs at City Hall and asked that Council withdraw the bids due to a language problem with one of the bids. He also asked that the bids be resubmitted after the language problem has been corrected. Councilman Harris made a motion to follow the City Manager's recommendation, seconded by Councilman Copeland. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

(D) Authorization to execute agreement with EPD for water testing:

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City Manager asked Council to authorize Mayor Adams to enter agreement. Councilman Copeland made a motion to give the Mayor authorization to enter agreement with EPD, seconded by Councilman Hunnicutt. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

(E) Authorization to execute Mutual Aid Agreement and Reciprocal Agreement for Fire Protection Training:

City Manager asked Council to enter Agreement and allow Mayor Adams to execute the Agreement. Councilman Copeland made a motion to enter agreement, seconded by Councilman Hunnicutt. Vote was unanimous.

(F) Authorization to execute agreement for automatic deposits of insurance premium tax.

City Manager asked Council to authorize Mayor Adams to execute the Agreement. Councilman Hunnicutt made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Copeland. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

(G) Authorization to execute Water Tank Maintenance Contracts:

City Manager asked Council to enter Agreement with Utilities Services, Inc. for maintenance on the City water tanks.

Councilman Copeland made a motion to Enter agreement with Utilities Services, Inc., seconded by Councilman Harris. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

(H) Authorization to execute quit - claim deed for abandoned alley:

Mayor Adams asked Council for authorization to execute the quit - claim deed for an abandoned alley, which runs parallel to North Church Street. Adjacent property owners to the unnamed alley would bear the cost of surveying, platting and recording the additions to their property. Councilman Bullard made a motion to execute the quit - claim deed, seconded by Councilman Copeland. Vote was unanimous.

(I) Request to contract with Lowndes County Board of Elections to conduct 2001 Municipal elections:

Mayor Adams asked Council to approve a request to contract with Lowndes County Board of Elections to conduct the 2001 Municipal elections. Councilman Hunnicutt made a motion to contract with Lowndes County Board of Elections to conduct the 2001 Municipal elections, seconded by Councilman Copeland. Vote was unanimous.

(J) Set date of June 21, 2001 for public hearing to amend 2001 budget and consider Cable Television Franchise Agreement:

Mayor Adams asked Council to approve June 21st for public hearing. Councilman Harris made a motion to set date of June 21 for public hearing to amend 2001 budget and consider Cable Television Franchise Agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

Council Reports:

Student Councilman, Chris Bullard, reported that the Dollar General store was progressing and the new motorcycle in the Police Department looked good.

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Councilman Copeland also mentioned the Dollar General Store and the motorcycle looked good. He thanked the City for the light being installed on the curve on West Stanfill Street.

Councilman Hunnicutt had no report.

Councilman Bullard had no report, but thanked the American Legion Post for the Memorial Day services that were held at the Courthouse.

Councilman Harris thanked Public Works Director, John Thursby, on his Department's work on Boone Park and progress on installing the new water meters in the city.

City Manager, Danny Lucas, stated his appreciation of the Memorial Day services.

Mayor Adams reported on progress on the water/sewer in the business park, the wastewater treatment plant change order. The utilities billing system is in effect. Councilman Harris, City Manager, Lucas, and Public Works Director, Thursby, are working on new policies for Utility services.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

John F. Adams, Mayor
Brady, City Clerk

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