Council Meeting September 9, 1999

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, September 9. 1999, at 7:30 P.M. at the Courthouse.

PRESENT: Mayor John Adams; Councilmen, Bob Harris, Jesse Griffin and Arnold Williams; City Manager, Susan Doner; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Public Utilities Director, John Thursby; Fire Chief, J. C. Plair; Police Chief, Woodrow W. Blue.

ABSENT Council Beverly Martin and City Attorney, Willie Linahan.

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

Mayor Adams gave the invocation. Visitors were welcomed and a quorum was established.

Mayor Adams asked for a motion to approve the August 1999 Council meeting minutes.

Council Harris made a motion to accept the August minutes as amended, seconded by Council Williams. Vote was unanimous.

Mayor Adams asked for a motion to approve payment of the bills.

Council Williams made a motion to approve payment of the bills, seconded by Council Griffin. Vote was unanimous.

Old Business:

A. Departmental Request - Purchase of garbage containers:

Mayor Adams reported that this request was made at last month's meeting. Council Williams made a motion to purchase the garbage cans and dumpsters as recommended, but asked Public Utilities Director, John Thursby, to purchase 50 containers instead of 55 and all of the others. Motion was seconded by Council Harris. Vote was unanimous.

New Business:

A. Authorization to sign Service Delivery Strategy agreement with Lowndes County and other County municipalities as required by HB-489:

Mayor Adams asked Council's approval to sign the documents. Council Griffin made a motion to approve the Mayor's signing the documents, seconded by Council Williams. Vote was unanimous.

B. Approval of low bid on Industrial Park Utilities:

Mayor Adams reported that the low bid for water and sewer in the Industrial Park was from C & D Mechanical Contractors for \$121,991.50. The City Engineers recommended the low bid. Council Harris made a motion to approve the bid, seconded by Council Williams. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

C. Contract between City of Hahira and Department of Natural Resources for grant funds:

Mayor Adams reported on a Governor's Discretionary grant for \$15,000.00, which will be for used for renovations to the recreation center. He asked for Council's approval to sign the contract. Council Griffin made a motion to approve the Mayor signing the contract, seconded by Council Williams. Vote was unanimous.

D. Adoption of Local Assistance Road Program (LARP) road resurfacing list:

Mayor Adams asked for Council's approval of the list six city streets to present to the Department of Transportation for resurfacing next year. Council Williams made a motion to approve the list as written, seconded by Council Griffin. Vote was unanimous.

E. Request for sewer service outside of city limits:

Mayor Adams reported on a request from Sam Stanaland for sewer service to his property, which is just outside of the city limits. Council Harris made a motion to approve Mr. Stanaland's request for this service, seconded by Council Griffin. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

F. Use of Recreation Center for Boy Scout meetings:

Mayor Adams reported on a request from Boy Scout leaders to use the recreation center for meetings on each Thursday night, except the last Thursday in the month. Mayor Adams recommended approval of their request at no cost. Council Williams made a motion to approve the Boy Scouts (& Cub Scouts) use the building, seconded by Council Griffin. Vote was unanimous.

Council Harris had no report.

Council Griffin had no report.

Council Williams had no report but stated that he was happy to represent the city in Lakeland today to meet the Governor.

City Manager, Susan Doner, reported that Ms. Darlene Jenkins of the Nutrition Center requested more volunteers to help her deliver meals to senior citizens.

Mayor Adams stated the mayor, council, city manager and department heads had been working hard on the budget and meetings would resume next week on Mondays and Thursdays at 3:00 P.M. The budget shall be initially approved by the end of September, according to the city charter.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

John F. Adams, Mayor Brady, City Clerk Marilyn