

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**7:00 P. M., NOVEMBER 15, 1989**

**PRESENT:** His Honor Mayor Paul Warwick, Jr., Commissioners James A. Stephens, Thomas P. Williams, Ken Tollison and Larry Credle.

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by Commissioner James A. Stephens.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Stephens moved that the minutes of the meeting of November 1, 1989 be approved. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Credle and was unanimously carried.

After the City Attorney reviewed the minutes of October 18, 1989, Commissioner Stephens moved that the minutes be approved subject to the following correction: changing Zoning and Planning Commission to Zoning and Planning Staff. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and was unanimously carried.

**DELEGATIONS**

Ken Plyman appeared before the Commission to question statistical information in the IACP report. He quoted the City of Brunswick's crime rate, which he thought was astounding compared to the City of Waycross. He stated that out of 140 recommendations that was suggested in the IACP report he found only 1 that have been implemented. Mr. Plyman suggested that City purchase patrol cycles to take the place of foot patrol and gave reasons for same. In concluding Mayor Warwick thanked Mr. Plyman for his suggestion and advised him to meet with the City Manager and the Chief of Police to review the said report.

William A. Taylor appeared before the Commission to question why the Cable companies were placed on the Agenda. He recalled that in a previous meeting many citizens appeared to protest the granting of a cable franchise agreement to another cable company in the City. Mr. Taylor stated that he was advised that the franchise agreement had been granted

and there was no need to place it on future Agenda's. He further inquired as to why the cable companies were allowed to fight their private battles at City Hall. Mr. Taylor then raised the conflict of interest issue and gave his personal opinion on same.

Hal Hart, Joy Craft, E. Tzucanow, Rev. E. C. Tillman, Willie Mathis and Sharon S. Henderson appeared before the Commission to speak on behalf of residents and property owners of the Old Town Brunswick Historic District who opposed the moving of a dilapidated house into a South end neighborhood. Mr. Hart stated his major concern was why said house was allowed to be moved and why the City did not adopt the County's House Moving Ordinance. Joy Craft stated that Old Town Brunswick is an irreplaceable part of the City's heritage and that the invasion of Parks with heavy vehicles should be prohibited. Mrs. Craft requested that the Commission adopt an ordinance to ensure the protection of property values in the Southend. E. Tzucanow pointed out that he has invested a substantial amount of money in his residence in Old Town and questioned the moving of houses without an ordinance or any restrictions. Rev. E. C. Tillman stated that his church demolished a number of houses on Egmont and that these houses were not allowed to be removed. Willie Mathis inquired as to whether the City had funds to purchase the said house and demolish it.

Sharon S. Henderson stated that she researched the problem and found both the City and County to very interested and very responsive to the situation. She further stated that the Building Inspector advised her that the house would have to be inspected before issuing a building permit and that the house could also be condemned.

Mayor Warwick stated that he would like to see a House Moving Ordinance adopted. He pointed out that a house in such deplorable condition should not have been moved.

Commissioners Stephens, Williams and Credle concurred. The Commissioners stated that they would fully support a House Moving Ordinance and gave reasons for same.

Commissioner Credle moved that the Building Inspector not issue anymore housing moving permits in the City of Brunswick until a House Moving Ordinance can be adopted.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and was unanimously carried.

#### **CONSUMER PROTECTION ORDINANCE**

Many citizens, representing several organizations were present to express concern on the Consumer protection Ordinance that the City Attorney submitted. Dr. Carl Drury stated that the community has received better service after adding a second cable company and competition has forced lower rates. Attorney Bob Killian representing Rentavision called the proposed Ordinance unconstitutional, and if adopted he would file a lawsuit. Rev. E. C. Tillman stated that he opposed franchising another cable company and suggested that the City allow the cable companies to fight their own war. The City Attorney stated that the amendment to the Ordinance was legal and that he would challenge a lawsuit. Mayor Warwick stated that he would not be intimidated by a lawsuit and that he would like to see both companies with equal access to television programs. Other members of the Commission recognized the imperative need for a work session to discuss the proposed amendment to Ordinance so that others may voice their opinions. Commissioner Tollison stated that he had no conflict and that he would approve a third franchise if it would improve services to the citizens of Brunswick.

Commissioner Credle moved that the Ordinance be deferred until the matter could be discussed at a Work Session. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stephens and on call for the question the motion carried by vote of 3 to 0 to 1. Commissioner Tollison abstaining and Mayor Warwick voting No.

#### **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE RENEWALS**

The following petitions for 1990 license renewals were submitted, having been approved by the Chief of Police and the City Manager, were on motion of Commissioner Stephens seconded by Commissioner Credle unanimously granted:

To retail alcoholic beverages including beer and wine for consumption on premises.

Sandra L. Webb at the Bamboo Lounge, 2717 R Glynn Avenue;

To retail beer and wine for consumption off premises.

James F. Hering at Eckerd Drug, 4535 Altama Avenue; Paul R. Harper at Winn Dixie, 1941 Glynn Avenue;  
To retail beer only for consumption off premises.  
Robert T. Bergmann at Eckerd Drugs #2341, 1945 Glynn Avenue.

#### **REDEMPTION DEEDS**

Redemption requested in the names of present owners on the following property acquired by the City at tax sales and on motion of Commissioner Stephens, seconded by Commissioner Credle, the Mayor was authorized to execute quit claim deeds as petitioned for upon payment of all taxes, interest and cost to wit:

- TO BEE-RITE, INC., #101 AND 102 on Glynn Pines, Altama & Cypress Mill Road (150' x 175') for \$607.54, for 1988;
- TO J. L. MCLEOD JR., on Dixville W. of Lee between George & London, N-30' of Lot No. 4, for \$62.79, for 1988;
- TO J. L. MCLEOD, JR., on Dixville W. of lee between George & London for \$70.30, for 1988;
- TO ERIC SHUMAN, on N-1/3 of S-1/2 of Old Town Lot No. 117, for \$226.93, for 1987.

#### **CEMETERY DEEDS**

On motion of Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Stephens the following petitions were unanimously granted:

1. Transferring Spaces G and H of lot No. 4, Section No. 80 in Palmetto Cemetery from Pearl Brown to Carrie Cheney and petitioner to retain Spaces A,B,C,D,E and F of said lot. Original deed surrendered.
2. Correcting deed to Plots C,D,E and F of Lot No. 6-A, Section No. 9, in Palmetto Cemetery for William K. Spaulding.

#### **Bids**

Fire Truck

The City Manager recommended that the low bid of Harless Fire Equipment Inc. in the amount of \$193,519.00 be accepted. Commissioner Tollison moved that the

recommendation of staff be approved. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received on Work Uniforms for various City employees:

Bidder	Bid
Stitches Brunswick, Georgia	\$7,202.94
Uniforms by Patrick Savannah, Georgia	5,336.70

Commissioner Tollison moved that the low bid be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Credle and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received on Gym Floor Replacement at the H Street Community Center:

Bidder	Bid
Brunswick Floors, Inc. Brunswick, Georgia	\$7,072.00
Regency Floor Coverings Brunswick, Georgia	5,681.00
Wilson Floor Coverings Brunswick, Georgia	7,200.00

Commissioner Williams moved that the low bid be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Credle and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received on Fire Hose for the Fire Department:

Bidder	Bid
American Safety & Equipment Atlanta, Georgia	\$29,617.00
Incomplete Bid	

Harold's Sales & Service Marietta, Georgia		29,977.60
Charles L. McLarty Co. Decatur, Georgia	Incomplete Bid	17,688.00
Safety Equipment Company Jacksonville, FL	Incomplete Bid	25,642.75

Commissioner Tollison moved that the low bid be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received on Backhoe Loader for Streets and Drains Department:

Bidder		Bid
Case Power & Equipment Savannah, Georgia	Model 680L Case	\$49,325.00
Southeastern Machinery Inc. Savannah, Georgia	Model 1400-B Case	32,603.00
Industrial Tractor Co. Brunswick, Georgia	Model 510-C John Deere	52,792.00

Commissioner Credle moved that the low bid be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tollison and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received on Baseball Uniforms for the Recreation Department:

Bidder		Bid
Dosta Sports Shop Valdosta, Georgia		\$22,765.10
Jonquil Sporting Goods Smyrna, Georgia		16,440.00
The Sports Shop, Inc. Waycross, Georgia		17,279.12

Commissioner Stephens moved that the bid of the Sports Shop Inc., be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams, the Purchasing Agent pointed out that it is a local bid. On call for the question the motion carried by vote of 4 to 0. Commissioner Tollison abstaining.

The following bids were received on purchase of two trash trailers for the Sanitation Department:

Bidder	Bid
Kemp Steel Fabricators Brunswick, Georgia	\$7,148.00
Raburn & Company Stapleton, Georgia	7,200.00
Refuse Systems Company Silver Creek, Georgia	12,000.00
Alternate Bid	10,390.00
Swacars Sales Inc. Valdosta, Georgia	10,698.00

Commissioner Stephens moved that the low bid be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tollison and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received on Playground fencing for the Recreation Department:

Bidder	Bid
Anchor Fence Company Kingsland, Georgia	\$2,992.00
Posey's Awning & Fence Co. Brunswick, Georgia	3,107.26
Sherwood & Son Brunswick, Georgia	2,675.00

Commissioner Credle moved that the low bid be accepted. Motion was accepted by Commissioner Tollison and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received on Desk Top Computers for the office of the City Manager, Fire Department, Water and Wastewater, Water and Wastewater Maintenance and Data Processing:

Bidder	Bid
Island Computer St. Simons Island, Georgia	\$19,709.00
Mr. Floppy Computers Brunswick, Georgia	19,491.00
Computerland Brunswick, Georgia	30,351.00

Commissioner Tollison moved that the low bid be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received on Landscaping I Street Townhomes:

Bidder	Bid
Bruns Irrigation and and Landscaping, Inc.	\$4,552.50
Hogarth's Landscape & Maintenance	2,305.00
Lampkin & Associates	2,214.50
Plant Scapes Nursery and Garden Center	4,828.50
Powell Landscaping, Inc.	8,105.80
Odom Landscaping Company	5,857.00

The Director of Community Development recommended that the bids be deferred to review specifications. Commissioner

Stephens moved that the said recommendation be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Credle and was unanimously carried.

#### Sprinkler Bids

Commissioner Williams moved that the recommendation of the City Manager to accept the bid of Affordable Fire Protection on Sprinklers in the amount of \$14,565.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tollison and was unanimously carried.

#### **FOOD GIFT CERTIFICATES**

Commissioner Stephens moved that the City purchase Christmas Food Gift Certificates for City employees in the amount of \$10.00 at a Grocer in the City. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and was unanimously carried.

#### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

The following reports for the month of October, were submitted and ordered filed as information. (1) General Fund

(2) Revenue Sharing (3) Water and Sewer Financial (4) Recorder's Court (5) Community Development and (6) Metro Drug Squad. Uncollectible Water and Sewer Accounts in the amount of \$3,906.79 and Uncollectible accounts paid in the amount of \$337.95. Commissioner Williams moved that the said reports be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stephens and was unanimously carried.

Minutes of the Park and Tree Commission of October 31, 1989 were submitted. Received and filed as information.

#### **WATER MAIN**

Commissioner Stephens moved approval of expenditures not to exceed \$5,000.00 for looping water main from F to G Street, approximately four hundred and fifty feet, subject to Water Department specifications and inspection. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Credle and was unanimously.

#### **PAVING NEWCASTLE STREET LANE**

Commissioner Tollison moved that the City officially request the County to allocate funds from the sales tax referendum to pave Newcastle Street Lane. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and was unanimously carried.

**ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Williams moved that the Mayor be authorized to

execute encroachment agreement between Lewis Trammel and the City of Brunswick for Kings Square. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stephens and was unanimously carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Williams moved that the Commission hold an Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tollison and was unanimously carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED.**

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Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of the City Commission