

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P. M., September 18, 1991**

PRESENT: His Honor, Mayor Homer L. Wilson, Commissioners Otis Herrington and Roosevelt Lawrence.

ABSENT: Commissioners James A. Stephens and Thomas P. Williams.

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Commissioner Otis Herrington.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Herrington moved that the minutes of the meeting of September 4, 1991 be approved. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and was unanimously carried.

SWEARING IN OF CLERGYMEN

Sergeant Bevans gave the names of the Clergymen to be sworn and the names and addresses of the Churches with whom the Clergymen are affiliated. Rev. Robert E. Reese, Rev. John T. Leggett, Rev. Stephen Ehlers, Rev. T. L. Davis, Rev. Thelma Hart, Rev. Earl James and Rev. Susan Dobbs were sworn in by Judge Douglas. All of the sworn in Clergymen were congratulated by Mayor, Commissioner and others present.

DELEGATIONS

Mr. Fred Cook resubmitted the same proposal that was presented a couple of years ago. They were unable to do the work due to a low enrollment in the archaeological class. He stated that the purpose of the project is to test the various sites and gather some information regarding the types of archaeological sites that remain here. All of the sites which he proposed in the original proposal are the same with the exception of a location on the corner of Bay and London Streets, Urban Renewal property. The archaeological sites range in age from approximately 500 A. D. until 1870 or 1880. The testing process involves small excavations to be backfield at the end of the excavations. Mr. Cook stated that his main objective is educational. He would like to operate the class and stimulate a local interest in history and archaeology. If the City adopts a Historical District Ordinance, archaeological work may be required.

Commissioner Herrington was in favor of the idea but suggested that Mr. Cook and the City Manager get together and discuss the liabilities involved and also who would have rights to

the findings if anything of great historical value is found.

Mr. Cook informed the Commission that anything worthy of display becomes property of the City. He also felt that the City could use a City museum to serve as a protection of the City's own cultural heritage and as a tourist attraction.

Commissioner Lawrence asked to take a look at the sites and expressed his concern for any impediment of progress in an area if anything of historical importance if discovered.

Mr. Cook informed the Commission that there were no laws currently in existence that would impede progress on the City's part; however, this could possibly be the case if a Historical Preservation Ordinance is adopted.

Mayor Wilson supported the proposal and felt that it was a step in order to insure Brunswick's past. He mentioned that certain safety precautions should be taken to prevent accidents which would result in suits against the City. He was assured that all excavations would be performed on public property only.

Commissioner Herrington offered a motion that the proposal be accepted. Commissioner Lawrence asked to see the sites before motion is carried. Commissioner Herrington rescinded the motion. The Commissioners agreed to wait until the next Commission Meeting before taking official action.

REHAB BIDS

The following bids were received for 819 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard:

Contractor	Bid
C.T. Remodel & Construction Co.	\$17,475.00
Moses Construction Co.	9,700.00
Capital City Developers, Inc.	6,898.50
Johnson Construction Co.	17,845.00
Big Daddy's Construction Co.	23,655.00
Beverly Construction Co.	
All Phase Construction Co.	20,675.78
Gordon Williams Construction Co.	16,305
Bey Construction Co.	10,500 *

Roosevelt Harris, Director of Community Development, addressed the Commissioner's concern for the lowest bid not being chosen. Roosevelt Harris mentioned that in-house bids

were taken in order to give a general idea of the cost. He explained that the policy required that the lowest and/or best bid be chosen. All necessary precautions are taken for the protection of the City, homeowner and contractor. Tract records and past performances of the contractors have been studied. All of the contractors have been checked through Atlanta's office. All of them have been approved, all have bonds and none of them are on the debarred contractors list.

The City Attorney assured the Commissioners that no legal problems were involved since the City is not bound to award to the lowest bidder.

Commissioner Lawrence moved that the bid be awarded to Bey Construction Co. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Herrington and was unanimously carried.

The following bids were received for 912 Stonewall Street:

Contractor	Bid
C.T. Remodel & Construction Co.	\$19,350
Moses Construction Co.	14,500 *
Capital City Developers, Inc.	14,750
Johnson Construction Co.	28,060
Big Daddy's Construction Co.	26,723.20
Beverly Construction Co.	
All Phase Construction Co.	35,672
Gordon Williams Construction Co.	NO BID
Bey Construction Co.	15,500

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

The following bids were received for 1011 Stonewall Street:

Contractor	Bid
C.T. Remodel & Construction Co.	\$12,325
Moses Construction Co.	13,200
Capital City Developers, Inc.	9,125.59*
Johnson Construction Co.	13,513

Big Daddy's Construction Co.	19,044
Beverly Construction Co.	
All Phase Construction Co.	19,478.20
Gordon Williams Construction Co.	NO BID
Bey Construction Co.	9,500

Commissioner Herrington moved that the lowest bid be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and was unanimously carried.

DOT ORDINANCE

The City Manager asked that this issue be tabled until he can provide the Commission with the additional information included in the revisions made by the Department of Transportation and until the Ordinance or notice of intent that is to be considered is properly advertised.

Commissioner Herrington moved that the issue be tabled until the next session. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and unanimously carried.

EQUIPMENT FOR JOINT CITY/COUNTY AUCTION

The City Manager asked the Commission to declare the items no longer used by the City as surplus so that the City can participate in the Joint City/County Auction on October 19, 1991 for sale of the items. Commissioner Lawrence moved that the request be granted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and was unanimously carried.

BENEFIT OF EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The City Manager stated that at the time the package went out, he was unable to provide the Commission with information regarding the request. He asked the Commission to the issue until the next meeting. Commissioner Herrington moved that the issue be tabled until the next meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and unanimously carried.

REDEMPTION DEED

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

1. Florence Pinkney, on E-1/2 of Town Lot 2364, for \$103.87, for the year.
2. Timothy Wilcox, on S-15' of Mayhew of Lot No. 50 and Lot No. 51, for \$163.96, for the year.

CEMETERY DEED

Petition received from Eugene M. Vicent to return for resale Lot No. 99-B of Catholic Section in Palmetto Cemetery.

Original deed surrendered. Commissioner Herrington moved that petition be granted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and was unanimously carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS

The following reports for the month of August, 1991 were submitted and ordered filed as information: (1) General Fund (2) Water and Wastewater (3) Community Development (4) Metro Squad and (5) Recorder's Court. Uncollectible accounts paid in the amount of \$8,344.65. Commissioner Herrington moved that reports be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and was unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Herrington and seconded by Commissioner Lawrence, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that the City of Brunswick hereby expresses appreciation and commendation of the Glynn County Commission for engaging the firm of Moreland-Altobelli, which has provided engineering services for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard project in a most efficient and capable manner; resolved further, that the City of Brunswick hereby requests that the County Commission authorize the firm of Moreland- Altobelli to handle the acquisition of right of way for this important project in order to assure the most expeditious start of construction.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Herrington moved that the City hold an Executive Session to discuss a Personnel matter. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and was unanimously carried.

DELEGATES FOR FALL PRE-LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

Commissioner Herrington was appointed as the delegate for the Fall Pre-Legislative Conference on Jekyll, October 9-11, and Commissioner Lawrence as Alternate delegate.

TAX ORDINANCE

On motion of Commissioner Herrington and seconded by Commissioner Lawrence, the following Ordinance was unanimously adopted:

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO ASSESS A TAX FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA, FOR THE YEAR 1991, AND FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE ORDINARY AND EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES OF SAID CITY FOR SAID YEAR; TO PROVIDE FOR THE TIME AND MANNER OF COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OF SAID TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. For the support of the government of the City of Brunswick, Georgia, for the year 1991, and for the payment of the ordinary and extraordinary expenses of said City for said year, and ad valorem tax of thirty dollars and fifteen cents (\$30.15) per on thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation is hereby levied and assessed upon all real and personal property and estate in said City subject to

taxation, whether owned by individuals, corporations or other persons, resident or non-resident.

SECTION 2. Pursuant to Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 48-8-91, said millage rate of 30.15 mils shall be reduced by twenty and thirty-five one-hundredths (20.35) mils, that being the millage rate which, if levied against the tangible property within the City of Brunswick, would produce an amount equal to the distribution of local option sales tax received by the City of Brunswick during 1990, leaving a net millage rate of nine and eighty one- hundredths (9.80) mils, which shall be the millage rate upon which each taxpayer's bill shall be based.

SECTION 3. Said tax shall be immediately due and payable when billed by the City Clerk and shall be paid by December 20, 1991. The same shall become delinquent if not paid by said date and shall thereafter bear interest at the rate of one percent per month and one percent for any period of less than a month until the date the tax is paid, as provided by Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 48-2-40.

SECTION 4. In any instance in which any person willfully fails to pay said tax within ninety days after December 20, 1991, he shall pay, in addition to the tax, a penalty of ten (10%) percent of the amount of tax due, together with interest, as provided by Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 48-2-44.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance and the tax provided for herein shall be in full force and effect from January 1, 1991.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

Mayor

Attest _____
City Clerk