

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA  
REGULAR MEETING  
7:00 P. M., JANUARY 15, 1992**

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Otis Herrington, Roosevelt Lawrence, Doris A. Davis and Rev. G. E. Darrisaw.

**ABSENT:** His Honor Mayor Homer L. Wilson.

Mayor Pro-Tem Herrington presided over the meeting in the absence of Mayor Wilson.

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by Rev. G. E. Darrisaw.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Lawrence moved that the minutes of January 2, 1992 be approved. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Darrisaw and was unanimously carried.

**BIKE PATROL**

Police Officers Hughes and Flick were present to display the new patrol bikes and update the Commission on the responsibility of the bike patrol in the City. The Patrol Officers' main responsibility is to patrol the downtown area, foot traffic, Lanier Plaza and the Housing Project. Officers Flick and Hughes stated that they are equipped with two-way radios, and they can see things now that they could not see in a patrol car. The officers further stated that the bike patrol would make a difference.

Commissioner Lawrence asked the officers if they apprehended someone how long would it take to get some assistance. The officers responded, "A minute and a half, no longer than it would normally take a patrol car." Mayor Pro-Tem Herrington thanked the officers for the presentation.

**RECOGNITION OF SEAT BELT USAGE IN THE CITY**

Dr. Tom Coleman from the Governor's Office was present to present a plaque to the Brunswick Police Department and City of Brunswick for having 70% seat belt usage in the Police Department and the City of Brunswick. Received with appreciation. Mayor Pro-Tem Herrington thanked the City Manager for his part in managing the City and for making it possible for the City to receive this award.

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE RENEWALS**

The following alcoholic beverage petitions for 1992 license renewals were submitted and, having been approved by the Chief of Police and the City Manager, were on motion of Commissioner Lawrence, seconded by Commissioner Davis unanimously granted.

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

Gregory and Shawn Slay at Honey Love Lounge, 1807 1/2 L Street;

To retail beer for consumption off premises:

Jimmy Jones at Eckerd's Drugs, 1945 Glynn Avenue;

JoAnn Boone at J. B.'s Grocery, 2802 Altama Avenue;

JoAnn Boone at In and Out Mart, 1603 L Street.

## **APPOINTMENTS TO CITY BOARDS**

The City Manager stated that a list of names were submitted for appointment to the Pilot Commission, Park and Tree Commission and Structural Fitness Board.

Commissioner Davis nominated Rev. Tommie Herrington, Jr. of 3101 MLK Boulevard. Mayor Pro-Tem Herrington asked if there were any other nominations. Sharon Henderson of the Harbor Sound asked the Commission to read the names of the persons that requested to be placed on the Pilot Commission. The City Manager read the following names:

Bill Brown	2127 Walnut Avenue
Rev. Tommie Herrington	3101 MLK Boulevard
Forest Barefoot	Quarantine Island
Carl Bystrom	318 Dunbarton Drive
Jack Steck	409 Cedar Street St. Simons
Lynn Baskins	162 MacKay Drive
Albert Stephens	251 Cornwall Street
Raymond J. Gaudin	St. Simons Island

Mayor Pro-Tem Herrington asked for a second on the nomination of Rev. Tommie Herrington for Pilot Commission.

Commissioner Lawrence said, "Looking over this I have always had a problem with making a decision over night on this type of thing even though I know that we have a motion on the floor. I just feel that we need to take another view and look at these names and study this list before we make a decision on any of these on this entire list. This is just my opinion."

Commissioner Darrisaw asked if the persons listed met all of the requirements. The City Manager stated, "Yes, they do."

Commissioner Darrisaw said, "The problem I would have with it is that I only know one person on this list. I think it would be unfair to the rest of them for me to vote on only one."

Mayor Pro-Tem Herrington stated that there was a motion on the floor and asked for a second. Commissioner Lawrence seconded for discussion.

Commissioner Lawrence said, "I have spoken on what my feelings and desires on this issue are and it would still stand as I foresaid it earlier. Commissioner Davis withdrew the nomination so that the Commission could study the list. She stated that she knew three names on the list.

The Commission deferred the appointments of the Pilot Commission, Park and Tree and Structural Fitness Board until the next meeting. A citizen asked what would be the proper procedure to follow to appoint persons to the City boards. The City Manager stated that the persons on the list would be asked to submit a resume. Commissioner Lawrence stated that the record would reflect that last year the persons that submitted their names for appointment to the City Boards were asked to send in a resume or be present at the meeting.

Mayor Wilson arrived at the meeting.

## **GLYNNVILLA BOYS CLUB**

Don McGlamory presented two checks to the City totaling \$32,924.84 to the City. These checks are an annual contribution from the Housing Authority.

Buddy Oldfield appeared before the Commission to discuss the proposal for a Youth Sports Grant to have a Boys and Girls Club at Glynnvilla. Jerry Rice was present to report on the success of the Boys and Girls Club at McIntyre Court. This program has shown measurable results. Mr. Oldfield requested that the City contribute the amount of \$10,000.00 to the program. Commissioner Darrisaw moved that request be granted in the amount of \$10,000.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and was unanimously carried.

Mayor Wilson asked if the City would have to supplement the grant again in one or two years. Mr. Oldfield stated that it would be 18 months before they would come back for more funding. Commissioner Herrington stated that he supports the projects wholeheartedly, and stated that he would like to know where the \$10,000.00 would come from. Mr. Rice gave statistics of the cost for Juveniles in Glynn County.

On call for the question the motion failed by vote of 3 to 2. Commissioner Darrisaw and Lawrence voting yes and Mayor Wilson, Commissioners Davis and Herrington voting No.

Mr. Oldfield requested that the Housing Authority contract with the City for a Youth Sports Director for the Boys and Girls Club.

Commissioner Darrisaw moved that Commission discuss funding with the City Manager. Commissioner Lawrence seconded and vote was unanimously carried. Commissioner Herrington stated he would like to know where the \$10,000.00 would come from because employees have complained about not receiving raises in the City, and he was aware that money would have to come out of the General Fund.

Chief Sodoran was present to discuss the revisions to the Brunswick Police Department Policy and Procedure Manuals. Commissioner Lawrence moved approval of revisions. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Darrisaw and was unanimously carried.

## **CITY OF BRUNSWICK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The Director of Community Development submitted plans for the City of Brunswick's Long Range Comprehensive Plan. The Director stated that this plan is a Community plan that describes land use patterns according to whether a given district or parcel will be devoted to residential, commercial or industrial use. This Comprehensive Plan is a community's official policy regarding future growth patterns. House bill 215 stipulates that every Georgia Municipality and County must adopt a comprehensive plan that will address six planning elements. These elements are:

- Population
- Natural and Historic Resources
- Community Facilities
- Housing
- Economic Development
- Land Use

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the Director has done a fantastic job. Commissioner Darrisaw concurred with Commissioner Lawrence and stated that he needed more time before he could vote on it. Commissioner Davis stated that the Director did a good job and she spent most of the night reading the plan. Commissioner Herrington stated that he wholeheartedly supported the plan. The Director of Community Development stated that the plans had to be approved by the Commission and turned in by January 31, 1992, this is mandated by the General Assembly. Commissioner Lawrence stated that if any Department Heads have something to present to the Commission they should give it to them in ample

time. Mayor Wilson asked whether the recaptured funds will be used for other businesses or for Community Development. The director stated that the funds will not be used for the Community Development Department. No action was taken on this item.

#### **AMENDMENTS TO MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 1991**

Commissioner Herrington moved that the minutes of September 18, 1991 be amended to include the 1991 Tax Ordinance. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence and was unanimously carried.

#### **CEMETERY DEEDS**

On motion of Commissioner Herrington, seconded by Commissioner Davis the following petitions were unanimously granted.

- (1) Transferring Lot No. 2, Section No. 68 in Greenwood Cemetery from Louvenia Quarterman to Ethel Quarterman.  
Original deed lost but City Records verify ownership..
- (2) Transferring Lot No. 4, Section No. 25 in Palmetto Cemetery from J. R. Pafford to Lillian Brewer. Original deed lost but City records verify ownership.
- (3) Returning for resale plots D, E & F of Lot No. 1-A, Section No. 210 in Palmetto Cemetery from Wallace Coston. Original deed surrendered.
- (4) Returning for resale Lot No. 64, Catholic Section in Palmetto Cemetery from Elzie A. Jacobs. Original deed surrendered.
- (5) Returning for resale N-20 ft. of Lot No. 13, Section No. B-12 in Palmetto Cemetery from Lily Doyle Lambert.  
Original deed surrendered. Petitioner to retain S-15 ft. of Lot No.13, Section No. B-12.

#### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

The following reports for the month of December 1991 were submitted and ordered filed as information: (1) General Fund (2) Water and Wastewater Fund (3) Community Development (4) Metro Squad (5) Recorder's Court.

Commissioner Lawrence moved that reports be accepted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Herrington and was unanimously carried.

#### **DNR PROPERTY**

The City Manager stated that the Commission requested the staff to come back with a recommendation. The staff is requesting that the Commission adopt a motion to accept the proposal of the 17 East Holding Company and authorize the City Attorney to prepare a lease with the 17 East Holding company to include any conditions that the Commission might deem necessary for the protection of the City.

Commissioner Lawrence said, "One problem I have with it is the thirty-year term. I think that

we need to look at that; we need to work on that and see how that turns out. I think that 30 years is entirely too long for us to award this to them with the Commissioners that's following will have no ties in it in the future. I don't think we need to impose that type of thing on the people that may follow us for that length of time." The City Attorney stated that the concern will be given consideration and it was felt by the developers that a minimum of a total of 30 years is necessary to accomplish the necessary financing for a project that could run into a number of hundreds and thousands of dollars. It was suggested that there be an initial 20 years term to address these concerns and an option to renew for another 10 years. In order not to bind the City to a fixed based rental, the developers were asked to agree to increase the base rental in the event they elected to exercise an option for an additional 10 years if the Commission agrees to it. This is what we discussed in order to make some compromise as to the length of the term. Commissioner Herrington stated that with that type of investment we were concerned about the 30 years, "If that be the case then I don't see why we couldn't do 20 years with an option." The City Manager stated that those terms were discussed with the developers.

The Mayor asked the City Attorney would the developers be receptive to a 20 year lease rather than 30. The City Attorney stated that they would be receptive with 20 years and an additional 10 year option. Commissioner Darrisaw stated that he and Commissioner Davis were not in office at the time the bids were opened and that he would go along with the Commission Board." Commissioner Herrington moved that the City grant a 20 year lease. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawrence. The City Manager asked if the motion can state that the City Attorney be instructed to work up a lease with the 17 East Holding Company for a 20 year period. Commissioner Herrington stated that who ever the bid goes to the 20 years would be automatically worked in. On call for the question the motion was unanimously carried.

Commissioner Darrisaw asked whether the bids were made for 30 years. The City Manager stated that it was long term lease for up to 30 years.

Commissioner Darrisaw stated that a recommendation was made to the Commission and it was with one Company and this company stated that they wanted 30 years and the Commission said the 20 years would be the maximum. Would you need to go back to review this and talk to the one who made the bids. Commissioner Lawrence moved that the 20 year lease be awarded to the low bidder, 17 East Holding Company. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Herrington and was unanimously carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED.**

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Mayor

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City Clerk