

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., October 26, 1994**

**PRESENT:** His Honor Mayor Homer L. Wilson, Commissioners, Roosevelt Lawrence, Doris A. Davis, Dr. James MacLeod and Ken Plyman

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by State Representative E.C. Tillman.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner MacLeod seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 5, 1994. The motion passed unanimously.

**PRESENTATION TO WILLIAM TAYLOR**

Mayor Wilson presented a plaque to William "Bill" Taylor from the City Commission expressing appreciation for being an outstanding and honorable citizen of the City of Brunswick for the past 25 years. Mayor Wilson stated that Mr. Taylor spiced up the lives of the elected officials. Mayor Wilson told Mr. Taylor that the Commission regrets that he was leaving the community because Mr. Taylor has made many contributions that could never be measured. Mayor Wilson stated that he considered Mr. Taylor as one of his dear friends. Mayor Wilson next read a letter from the Glynn County Democratic Executive Committee, Chairman Billy Gibson addressed to William "Bill" Taylor with well wishes and appreciation for 25 years of raising the awareness of citizens about the day to day operation of local governments. Mr. Gibson wrote that Mr. Taylor has been an inspiration to many people over the years.

The City Manager stated that Ernie Craft representing the Republican Party called and expressed his regrets that he could not be at the meeting. Mr. Craft also sent Mr. Taylor best wishes.

State Representative Rev. E.C. Tillman stated that Bill Taylor was an unusual person and very intelligent, who always researched the subject. Representative Tillman presented Mr. Taylor with a gift from his family.

Sam Cofer stated that Mr. Taylor was from his hometown and Mr. Taylor has done a lot for this community and most of the things were for the best interest of the community. Mr. Cofer stated that Bill Taylor deserved to be recognized as an outstanding citizen.

Terrell Davis, former principal of Goodyear Elementary School, stated that Mr. Taylor was a friend and helped him operate Goodyear School from the Superintendent's office and this was for the betterment for all children in Glynn County. Mr. Davis stated that Mr. Taylor deserves the recognition and wished Mr. Taylor well on his journey back home.

Geneva Lyde, President of the NAACP applauded the Commission for taking time to honor Mr. Taylor. Mrs. Lyde stated that Mr. Taylor was full of wisdom. She stated that the NAACP also presented a plaque to Mr. Taylor honoring him for everything he has done for the Chapter in this community.

William "Bill" Taylor thanked the mayor for the plaque and stated that he surely will miss the City of Brunswick and teaching students. Mr. Taylor stated that Mayor Wilson has been with the city a long time and has kept the City together. Mr. Taylor stated that when the Mayor retires he would like for the Mayor to be honored with a parade.

#### **DELEGATIONS**

Patricia Barefoot appeared before the Commission to request the use of quotes written by Mrs. Mamie Ross, dated Aril 4, 1965 regarding removal of an Island Strip in the 1500 block of Norwich Street, because she spoke against the removal. The paragraph Mrs. Barefoot asked to directly quote in a freelance article states "We in Brunswick and Glynn are children of the sea. We fail in our appreciation of this natural inheritance when we do not cherish and capitalize every native plant, every winding creek, every precious marsh, expanse every tall mystery. Do you know what the shrimp mean catch in their nets? Every possible inside Island and every sandy sea wall. Mrs. Barefoot stated that the paragraph, in her opinion, demonstrates Mrs. Mamie Ross deep and abiding appreciation of our community.

Commissioner MacLeod moved, and Commissioner Plyman seconded the motion approving the request of Patricia Barefoot to use a quote written by Mrs. Mamie Ross from the Park and Tree Minutes of 1965. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lawrence recommended that the article be reviewed before by the Commission before it is published. Mayor Wilson suggested that the City Manager advice Mrs. Barefoot after the article is submitted and read by Commissioner Lawrence. Mrs. Barefoot stated that she asked permission to use the article written by Mrs. Ross because of copyright infringement. Mrs. Barefoot stated that the article would be ready to review next week.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

This being the date, time and place for a Public Hearing on the proposal to rezone 1,140.62 feet of land fronting the west side of Habersham Street, 75 feet in depth from Conservation Perservation of Limited Industrial.

The City Manager stated that this was the second Public Hearing on the request. Mayor Wilson asked if there was anyone who objected to the proposed rezoning. There were no objections and Commissioner MacLeod moved and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion to grant approval of the petition for rezoning. The motion passed unanimously.

This being the date, time and place for a Public Hearing on a proposal to rezone Lot 2, Block L in Good Year Park subdivision from R-9 One-Family Residential to Limited Medical.

The City Manager stated that in 1978 a study was done for the hospital area and a map was created showing the lots that were to be considered to be rezoned to accommodate future medical needs. The lot is located within the area that was designated for future medical use. The City Manager submitted a Land Use Plan Map.

Cheryl Johns, Director of Hospice stated that the house located at 2311 Heron Street would be used as an office by Hospice of the Golden Isles. Hospice is a non-profit organization that provides medical care and assistance to terminally ill patients and their families. Mrs. Johns stated that they are currently paying rent and they would like to own their own property. Hospice is not an organization with a high volume of traffic in the area.

Mayor Wilson asked if anyone would like to speak on the rezoning. There were no objections.

Commissioner MacLeod stated that the Glynn County Planning and Zoning Staff recommended that the zoning be approved. Commissioner MacLeod stated that the City has to consider the fact that Glynn County has reviewed the rezoning request and recommended approval.

Mrs. Alexander gave a brief summary of some of the activities that was being sponsored at the Ritz in October. Mrs. Alexander stated that the Ritz was well used and she appreciated the support of the City of Brunswick.

Commissioner Plyman stated that he lives in the area and would like to speak to the residents about their feelings on the proposed rezoning. Commissioner Plyman stated that he did not like spot rezoning.

Commissioner MacLeod stated that he did not consider this spot rezoning because the area was designated in 1978 for Limited Medical Use.

Commissioner Plyman stated that his neighborhood was a victim of spot rezoning.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that he would like to know what percentage is now Limited Medical Use Area.

Mayor Wilson stated that in 1978 a map was created showing the lots that were designated to be rezoned as Limited Medical and many years have passed and residents were not taken into consideration.

Robert Moffitt, the owner of the property stated that spot rezoning is detrimental to the neighborhood and all of his neighbors have moved and sold their property.

Mayor Wilson stated that this was the first Public Hearing and the second Public Hearing will be scheduled for the next meeting.

James Dawson, representing Down South Film Works appeared before the Commission to request permission to use parts of Historic Brunswick in an experimental short film project. Newcastle Street at the front of Gloucester Street and two

city blocks on Newcastle Street near the clock on the sidewalk. Also the areas along Grant Street adjacent to the library and the lobby of the old Cody building. Mr. Dawson stated that this film is centered around a love song by a local artist from Camden County. The filming would take place at night from 7:00 pm until. Mr. Dawson pointed out that the film project would be a positive influence on Brunswick and everyone will know that the City of Brunswick is greater than any city in Georgia. Mr. Dawson stated that the filming would start November 18 and continue through November 21. Mr. Dawson stated that Mr. Ansa from St. Simons Island would direct the film and other local people will assist with filming the video.

Commissioner Plyman asked what part of Newcastle Street would be used in filming the video. Mr. Dawson stated that they would use the south end of Newcastle Street. Commissioner Plyman pointed out that Harbor Lights would be open for business on Friday and Saturday nights during the filming of the video.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that he would like to know if any nudity would be in the video. Mr. Dawson stated that there would be none in the video. The City Manager stated that he would like to set up a meeting with the owners of Harbor Lights to come up with a schedule that will work for everyone.

#### **Delegations**

Jonathan R. Miller appeared before the Commission to request that a brick walk be placed in the northwest quadrant of Queen's Square. Mr. Miller stated that he would like to trim the hedges and repair the brick edge of the sidewalk to make the park more attractive.

Commissioner MacLeod stated that the request should be heard by the Park and Tree Commission to get their approval.

David Latham, a member of the Park and Tree commission stated that the matter was discussed with some members of the Park and Tree Commission

Commissioner Plyman stated that it appears that the park would only be used by persons that patron Mr. Miller's restaurant.

The City Manager stated that Mr. Miller could not exclude anyone from visiting the park.

Commissioner MacLeod moved and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion to grant approval of the request after the Park and Tree Commission submits their written approval. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that he would like the City Attorney to submit a statement assuring the commission that Queen's Square could be used by the public.

Carol Highsmith representing Barnett Bank appeared before the Commission to request that the old American National Bank located on Gloucester Street be subdivided from other

property of the Barnett Bank tract. Mrs. Highsmith stated that the bank wishes to sell the building to a buyer who will bring in twelve to sixteen new jobs in the City.

Mayor Wilson asked the City Attorney about the waiting period. The City Attorney stated that the Commission has adopted an ordinance allowing them permission to grant a variance from the subdivision regulations and this type of decision was made in the past.

Commissioner Plyman asked Mrs. Highsmith if the business would be conducive to the neighborhood as for a zoning requirements. Mrs. Highsmith stated that the business would be highly professional.

Commissioner MacLeod moved and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion approving the following resolution subject to the City Attorney confirming that the variance was totally. The City Attorney confirmed the legality of the variance. On call for the question the motion passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Commission of the City of Brunswick, that a variance form the Subdivision Regulations is hereby granted with respect to that certain tract of land identified and described according to the attached plat of survey prepared by Robert N. Shupe, Georgia Registered Surveyor No. 2224, dated March 2, 1994, and revised October 25, 1994, so as to approve and permit the proposed subdivision of said tract from other property of the Barnett Bank Tract. Be it further resolved, that said described tract of land shall be deemed to be a "lot of record" and that the easements described in the attached "Exhibit A" shall be deemed to satisfy all access, parking and setback requirements with respect to the use of said tract of land.

EXHIBIT A"

PROPERTY TO BE CONVEYED

PARCEL 1

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GLYNN COUNT, GEORGIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT WHICH MARKS THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF GLOUCESTER STREET AND THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET; THENCE PROCEED ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 140.28 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 21.24 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 21.30 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 11.20 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 5.30 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 41.40 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 10.06 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 9.89 FEET TO APOINT; THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST

FOR A DISTANCE OF 18.79 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 90.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF GLOUCESTER STREET; THENCE ALONG THE SAID RIGHT OF WAY OF GLOUCESTER STREET NORTH 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRAT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINS 8,320 SQUARE FEET AS SHOWN ON A SURVEY BY ROBERT N. SHUPE, GA. R.L.S. NO. 2224, DATED MARCH 2, 1994 AND REVISED OCTOBER 24, 1994

PARCEL 2  
(INCLUDING PARCEL 3-A)

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT A POINT WHICH MARKS THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF GLOUCESTER STREET AND THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET; PROCEED THENCE ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 140.28 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE PROCEED ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 45.46 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST FOR DISTANCE OF 80.21 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 66.88 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 44 MINTUES 18 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 6.30 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 17 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 5.30 FEET OT A POINT; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 11.20 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 17 DEGREES 15 MINTUES 42 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 21.30 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 21.24 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET AND THE POINT BEGINNING. SAID TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINS 4,937 SQUARE FEET AS SHOWN ON A SURVEY BY ROBERT N. SHUPE, GA. R.L.S. NO. 2224, DATED MARCH 2, 1994 AND REVISED OCTOBER 25, 1994.

EXCLUSIVE PARKING EASEMENTS TO BE GRANTED

PARCEL 3-B

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARACEL OF LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT A POINT WHICH MARKS THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF GLOUCESTER STREET AND THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET; PROCEED THENCE ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 185.74 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 20 SECOND WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 43.49 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE PROCEED SOUTH 17 DEGREES 20 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 20 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 36.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINS

720 SQUARE FEET AS SHOWN ON A PLAT BY ROBERT N. SHUPE, GA. R.L.S. NO. 2224, DATED MARCH 2, 1994 AND REVISED OCTOBER 25, 1994.

PARCEL 3-C

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT A POINT WHICH MARKS THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF GLOUCESTER STREET AND THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET; PROCEED THENCE ALONG THE SAID

RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 232.71 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE PROCEED ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 118.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 19.50 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINS 2,301 SQUARE FEET AS SHOWN ON A SURVEY BY ROBERT N. SHUPE, GA. R.L.S. NO. 2224, DATED MARCH 2, 1994 AND REVISED OCTOBER 25, 1994.

PARCEL 3-D

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT A POINT WHICH MARKS THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF GLOUCESTER STREET AND THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET; PROCEED THENCE ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 232.71 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 19.50 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 65 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 21.82 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE PROCEED SOUTH 17 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 19 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 90.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 9 MINUTES 41 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINS 1,800 SQUARE FEET AS SHOWN ON A SURVEY BY ROBERT N. SHUPE, GA. R.L.S. NO. 2224, DATED MARCH 2, 1994 AND REVISED OCTOBER 25, 1994.

PARCEL 3-E

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT A POINT WHICH MARKS THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF GLOUCESTER STREET AND THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET; PROCEED THENCE ALONG THE SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLIS STREET SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00

SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 350.71 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 19.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE PROCEED SOUTH 17 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 2.49 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINS 379 SQUARE FEET AS SHOWN ON A SURVEY BY ROBERT N. SHUPE, GA. R.L.S. NO. 2224, DATED MARCH 2, 1994 AND REVISED OCTOBER 25, 1994.

TOGETHER WITH A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT ACROSS PARCEL 4 FOR ACCESS TO THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED PROPERTY AND PARKING EASEMENTS.

#### **Riverside Association**

Bob Thompson and Terrell Davis appeared before the Commission do discuss the drainage problem in the Riverside subdivision. Mr. Thompson stated that he was proud to be a resident of the City of Brunswick. Mr. Thompson stated that Riverside Subdivision has been neglected. There are no sidewalks or good streets in the Riverside Subdivision. Mr. Thompson stated that he would love to have sidewalks, curbs and gutters. Mr. Thompson suggested that the City install better piping and move the drainage to the marsh.

The City Manager stated that when the developer put the pipes in the area there was no drainage. The lots are 130 feet from the front of the property line next to the river and it fills up quickly during high tide. Utilities are also placed in shallow ditches. The ditches are full and they need to be worked on to keep them open.

Mayor Wilson stated that it was the responsibility of the utility companies to place lines in another location. He stated that he was familiar with Riverside Property Phase I. The elevation is 8.5 and there is no way to get water to discharge if it is high on the inside. The utilities should be placed in an area where drainage could be supplied.

Commissioner Plyman stated that there is a bad dip in the road.

Mayor Wilson stated that if it met the consent of the Commission the City Engineer would go to Riverside and bring back plans to the Commission to alleviate the problem. This met the consensus of the Commission for the City Manager to have the City Engineer go out to Riverside and come up with two proposals and bring it back to the commission. The City council will assure that this council will do all it can to alleviate the problem as much as it possibly can.

#### **INSURANCE RENEWALS**

The Director of Finance submitted the following recommendations for General Liability Law Enforcement, Public Officials and City Worker's compensation.

- 1) General Liability, American Southern Insurance \$43,439.00 and United National Insurance \$10,500.00 (2) Law Enforcement, Homestead Insurance \$27,426.88 (3) Public Officials Homestead Insurance \$9,060.00 (4) Worker's

Compensation, H&R Insurance \$83,369.00. The City Attorney stated that the current Public Officials Policy does not carry enough exclusions.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the City Attorney's concerns and issues should be addressed in the policy.

Commissioner Plyman moved and commissioner MacLeod seconded the motion to table the insurance renewals until the policy is reviewed by the City Attorney. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Child Abuse Protocol Contribution**

Police Chief, T.C. Cowan, and Mrs. Perry Ellis appeared before the Commission to request coordination of services of agencies in the area and have a written protocol to get agencies to work together. Mrs. Ellen also requested \$2,500 from the City to Match \$3,000 given by the County.

Commissioner Plyman questioned whether the Child Abuse Protocol Committee was a Governmental Agency. Commissioner Plyman pointed out that the City could not give one cent to a governmental agency.

The City Attorney stated that a local governmental agency can contract with another agency if it is under a written agreement.

Commissioner Lawrence recommended that the City Attorney research the legal aspect of the Protocol Committee.

Mrs. Ellis stated that the mission of the Committee is to assure that all community agencies work together for the protection of all children in the community. The Glynn County child Abuse Protocol Committee was established pursuant to state law in 1987.

The City Manager and City Attorney were instructed to review the agency and get back with a recommendation to the Commission.

Commissioner MacLeod stated that he would like to work with the City Manager to locate 3 vacant lots owned by the City to place billboards that would be advantageous to the City. Commissioner MacLeod stated that the billboards should be located where tourists can see them. Commissioner MacLeod stated that he would not recommend placing advertisements on bill boards until location and cost could be determined. Commissioner MacLeod stated that he will get back to the Commission with the location.

This met the consensus of the Commission. The meeting was recessed for ten minutes.

The meeting reconvened at 9:05 a.m.

#### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

The following reports for the month of September, 1994, were submitted and were filed as information (1) General Fund (2) Water & Wastewater (3) Community Development (4) Metro Squad

(5) Municipal Court and (6) Uncollectible water accounts. Commissioner Davis moved and Commissioner MacLeod seconded the motion to accept the monthly reports. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Plyman stated that the Metro Squad has State cases and the City does not receive any funds that are seized. All cases that are made goes into the County's General Fund. Commissioner Plyman asked if the County was mandated to keep all the seizure money.

The City Attorney stated that the money would go back into the Metro Drug Unit.

Commissioner Plyman requested that the matter be placed on the Joint City/County Agenda.

Mayor Wilson stated that the City Manager and City Attorney can find out what grounds the City has to go on.

The City Manager reported that he was contacted by RDC about the joint appointment to the Board, Rev. Head.

The City Manager stated that the matter could be brought up at the Joint City/County meeting

Commissioner Davis stated that the matter was discussed earlier and it was to be discussed at a joint meeting.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that Rev. Head was the acting Pastor for Zion Baptist Church

Commissioner Plyman stated that the Commission should have a joint City/County meeting.

Mayor Wilson requested a copy of Rev. Head qualifications from the RDC.

#### **Archeological Dig**

The City Manger reported that Fred Cook, local Archeologist requested an archeological dig at three sites, Windsor Park, Southeast quadrant of Queen's Square.

Commissioner MacLeod moved and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion grating Mr. Cook's request for the archeological digs. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **City Manager Items**

The City Manager reported that the cable franchise of Century Cable will expire and requested that the Mayor be authorized to grant an extension to Century Cable thru February 8, 1995.

Mayor Wilson pointed out that the right-of-ways have gone up in value and the City should reap some of the increase.

The City Manager stated that the new franchise fees would enable the City to collect the right amount of fees.

Commissioner MacLeod moved and Commissioner Plyman seconded the motion authorizing the Mayor to extend the franchise of Century Cable Company to February 28, 1995. The motion passed unanimously

The City Manager reported on the progress of the Water Enhancement Project. The City Manager stated that the structure of the Farmer's Market could be removed.

Commissioner Davis stated that the exercise track lights should be placed on timers. She next reported limbs on light posts and questioned how often police officers patrolled Lanier Plaza.

The City Manager stated that Lanier Plaza is patrolled regularly.

Commissioner Plyman stated that the owners should place a rolling gate in the rear to stop burglars from going behind the building.

Commissioner Davis reported that the Garden Club would like to place flower pots and replace the weeds with compost. Commissioner MacLeod stated that the Garden Club landscaping plans should be approved by the Park and Tree Commission.

Commissioner Plyman stated that he would like to place a temporary Farmer's Market on Newcastle Street in Peninsular Park. The City Manager stated that part of the Waterfront Enhancement project is to relocate the Farmer's Market at the Waterfront Park.

Commissioner Plyman reported that Larry Rentz requested a license to hold a small craft show in the Brunswick Mall. Commissioner Plyman stated that the vendors could operate under Mr. Rentz for \$15.00 each.

The City Manager stated that the special events could be addressed with a new ordinance.

The City Manager stated that these types of shows are done at Glynn Place Mall. He will check with the County about their license fees.

The City Attorney stated that the occupation tax is used to enhance Economic Development in the City and he needed to determine what that tax rate be applied by the City. The City Attorney pointed out that the ordinance should be revised.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that he was concerned about the difference between selling crafts in the Mall and selling vegetables at the Farmer's Market.

The City Manager stated that Farmer's who are certified growers do not pay a fee, but uncertified growers pay a \$50.00 fee.

Mayor Wilson stated that he would like to see how much money is collected for the Farmer's Market.

Commissioner Plyman stated that he made four requests to the City Manager to have Mr. Boone appear before the Commission to give an update on the progress o his building.

Commissioner MacLeod stated that the City should give Mr. Boone a 45 day notice to repair or demolish the building on Albany Street.

Commissioner Plyman moved to have Mr. Boone's building torn down.

Commissioner Lawrence asked how much time the Commission gave Mr. Boone to repair the building. The City Clerk stated that no date was given. Commissioner Lawrence stated that Mr. Boone should be given the courtesy to appear before the Commission before a decision is made.

Commissioner Plyman rescinded his motion.

The City Manager stated that Mr. Boone was contacted and he stated that he would not b e able to attend because he had a conflict.

Commissioner Plyman moved to invite Mr. Boone to come and give an update on the progress of repairing his building. Mayor Wilson relinquished his chair as Mayor and as Commissioner Wilson, seconded the motion. On call for the question, it passed by a vote of 4 to 1. Commissioner Lawrence voting no.

Commissioner Lawrence reported standing watering in the year at 1703 N Street for 3 years. Commissioner Lawrence next reported that the house located at 2300 Gordon street was infested with rats. The City Attorney stated that condemnation proceedings have begun on the house.

Mayor Wilson read a resolution recognizing Wal-Mart for their kind generosity to the City.

Mayor Wilson stated that the City should set the millage rate for the takes. The City Manager stated that he would notify the Director of Finance to advertise in the Brunswick News the Public Hearing as required by law.

Commissioner Plyman instructed the City Manager to write a letter to the Exchange Club congratulating the for having the finest Fair in the City.

The meeting adjourned.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

This being the date, time and place for Public Hearing on proposal to rezone 1,140.62 feet of land fronting the west side of Habersham Street and 75 feet in depth from Conservation Preservation to Limited Industrial.

Randy Rozier representing Shell Company Trust complimented Mayor Wilson on the article he read in the Florida Times

Union. He stated that it was outstanding article that gave credit to the Mayor and the City of Brunswick. Mr. Rozier requested that a 75 foot strip of property along the western side of Habersham Street be rezoned from Conservation Preservation to Limited Industrial. Mr. Rozier stated that an out of town company was interested in purchasing the property and building on it a freezer warehouse to have access to the railroad. Mr. Rozier indicated that the property was only about 650 feet deep. He explained if 75 feet along the front street boarder was removed it will not allow the company the room needed to expand.

Mr. Rozier stated that he was not at liberty to discuss precisely the name of the Company, but their initial plans to construct a 65,000 square foot freezer warehouse building and the company would like to expand the two additional buildings and employ 35 to 50 people within the City of Brunswick. Mr. Rozier stated that he was not sure how the property was zoned Conservation Preservation. He recalled years ago CSX Railroad was planning to build a large Industrial Park in the area and a buffer was included in the plan, however the buffer have been removed and the adjoining property has already been zoned.

The City Manager indicated that Deborah Taylor from the County's Zoning office received the application for rezoning the 75 foot strip of property. The City Manager stated that property in the area is already zoned Industrial, and he felt that the rezoning certainly would not effect the people living in Magnolia Park or other housing areas.

Commissioner Plyman asked whether the business would have a cold storage or freezer and would it be a non polluting industry using a lot of water. Mr. Rozier stated that it would be a freezer warehouse which was non polluting with low water usage.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that one of his concerns was expansion of the business and rezoning the other adjoining properties.

Mr. Rozier stated that the proposed rezoning would give them the necessary property to allow them to expand in three buildings instead of one building.

The City Manager stated that this was the first public hearing and the second public hearing is scheduled for the next meeting.

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Plyman seconded the motion to hold a public hearing at the next meeting and make a decision on the rezoning request. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Wilson thanked Mr. Rozier for his presentation.

## **DEDICATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY**

Randy Rozier stated that Shell Company Trust owns the paved road on Glynn Avenue and St. Mark's Tower residents have access to that road. Shell Company Trust constructed the road and would like the City of Brunswick to accept the dedicated right-of-way.

Commissioner Plyman asked if the necessary easements the City would need for the road included in the property.

The City Manager stated that he had the City Engineer to examine the property. The City Engineer found a drainage ditch on the west side of the street with the width of the easement 59.41 feet which includes a portion of that ditch. The City Manager stated that the City Engineer's main concern was whether the City had access to maintain the ditch. It was determined that the City did have access.

The City Manager stated that he met with Mr. Rozier and they discussed the City's subdivision regulation regarding development of streets and streets that was given to the City for future ownership and maintenance. He found the right of way must be at least sixty feet in width and that property lacks about seven inches of being sixty feet, and the minimum pavement should be 31 feet. The width of the pavement in the area does not meet the subdivision regulations. The City Manager stated that he felt the Commission should determine whether they would be willing to accept the street in its current state.

Commissioner Plyman asked if there were room enough to place additional paving. The City Manager stated that the property requires 31 feet of paving and it was enough area to pave.

Mayor Wilson questioned whether a major water line was crossing the ditch. The City Manager stated that it was a water line in place that serve St. Mark's Tower and it was determined by the City Engineer that the line would not be impacted upon.

Commissioner Plyman moved and Commisisoner Lawrence seconded the motion to accept the right-of-way and the land. The motion passed unanimously.

## **DELEGATION**

Kay Shiver appeared before the Commission to discuss the Historic Resource Surveys of Town Common Lots and New Town Lots. Ms. Shiver stated that in June the City of Brunswick received a grant from the National Park Service through the Department of Natural Resources Office of Historic Preservation. The Downtown Development Authority contracted the services of Paul Baumgartner. Ms. Shiver stated that there are two of ten potential Natural Registrar Districts that have been identified within the City. Ms. Shiver indicated that Paul Baumgartner would be in the City this week and possibly another week in November, and upon completion of the surveys he will submit a written report.

Mr. Baumgartner thanked the Commission for asking him to perform the survey. He stated that he would be in Brunswick

this week to get a basic understanding of what the two neighborhoods are and how they developed, some of the history and the type of buildings in the area.

Mr. Baumgartner stated that he would come back in November to perform the work with other people. After the survey is completed all the information would be put in a computer so that it could be accessible through a data base and used as a tool for preservation efforts in the City.

Commissioner Lawrence asked Mr. Baumgartner what guidelines would be followed in identifying the Historical sites and also who would be surveying the property with him.

Mr. Baumgartner stated that he would hire people to work with him and the survey will be performed using the guidebook from the State of Georgia on how to conduct a survey according to their standards, so that the survey is consistence with other surveys that have been performed throughout the State.

Commissioner Lawrence asked Mr. Baumgartner was he aware that some parts of the City districts are overlooked according to some of the standards that are used. Commissioner Lawrence further stated that he would like to make sure that all parts of the City is given some type of consideration when the survey is conducted.

Mr. Baumgartner pointed out that there are 10 potential districts in the City and they have been preidentified. Every building would be surveyed in that area and no building would be overlooked.

Kay Shiver stated that the two largest districts will be surveyed and this is the first phase of a long range plan to survey all the districts within the City.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that his primary concern was the Patterson house one of the first black doctors' resident in the City of Brunswick that was torn down because it was overlooked as a historical site and he did not want the problem to occur again.

Commissioner Plyman stated that if the survey identify the buildings worth saving he would be all for it, but he was not for identifying buildings that were not worth saving.

The City Manager stated that once the survey is completed then the determination would be made on nominating those areas to the National Historic Register and property owners would have access to certain tax credits.

This met the consensus of the Commission to have the survey conducted.

#### **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE**

Petition received from Tracy S. Carter to retail beers and wines for consumption off premises at Smile Gas No. 87, 2709 Glynn Avenue.

The City Manager reported that a request was received for a provisional license and the license would not be issued until the building was constructed and a certificate of occupancy issued. The owners have already filed their application and want to get the determination on whether the license would be issued. Smile Gas will be building a gas station, convenience store type operation at 2709 Glynn Avenue.

Commissioner Plyman asked what the property was adjacent to. The City Manager stated that it was the former location of Gold Coast Motors.

Mayor Wilson stated that the City have granted provisional licenses in the past and he certainly could understand a person being reluctant about constructing a building and wondering whether he would be granted a license. Mayor Wilson stated he felt that a license should be granted if all requirements are met and approved by the Police Department.

Commissioner Plyman questioned the location of other businesses in the City and the number of alcoholic beverage license Mr. Carter was granted. Mr. Carter stated that he did not have any other licenses in the City of Brunswick, however he did have twenty four licenses in the State of Georgia.

Commissioner Plyman asked Mr. Carter if he owned the Smile Gas station on Community Road and whether he had a liquor license for that store. Mr. Carter stated that a license was not issued for the store because it was too close to the Church.

The City Manager stated that a copy of the map was attached to the application and no churches or schools was close to any proximity of this property. The City Manager recommended approval of the license.

Commissioner Plyman moved and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion to grant the alcoholic beverage license as petitioned for. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **CEMETERY DEEDS**

On motion of Commissioner Lawrence seconded by Commissioner Plyman the following petitions were unanimously granted:

- 1) Petition received from Eddie Tankersly to return for resale Spaces 30 and 31 of Palmetto Cemetery. Original deed lost, but City records verify ownership.
- 2) Petition received from Lawrence LaRoche to return for resale Lot No. 10, Section No. B-14 in Palmetto Cemetery. Original deed surrendered.

#### **RESURFACING BIDS**

The City Manager submitted proposals for rebidding resurfacing projects in the City of Brunswick. He stated that the total miles of City Street to be resurfaced was 6.94 miles and three bidders responded to the advertisement,

but the City received only one bid from Seaboard Construction in the amount of \$350,086.65. The City Manager stated that the portion of funds the Department of Transportation have committed toward resurfacing was \$175,500.62. The City would have a difference of \$174,586.03 which could be gained through other sources to fund the total project.

Mayor Wilson stated that it was no doubt that the City needed all the streets resurfaced, but he found it very difficult at this time to have to supplement \$174,000.00.

Commissioner Plyman asked if the streets had to be resurfaced at the same time and if the bids were predicated to resurface all the streets.

The City Manager stated that the bids submitted was predicated on the total package. The City Manager stated that there are actually three separate projects and DOT allocated a portion of funds for each project.

Commissioner Plyman asked whether Union Street would be raised up. The City Manager stated that the project does not include grinding.

The City Manager stated that one possibility that have been explored is whether the City could take the State's portion of funds and apply that as far as it would go. The City Manager stated that the local DOT office indicated that they could not approve any changes and it would have to come from the DOT Commissioner.

Mayor Wilson stated that it would be in the City's best interest to speak with Commissioner Shackelford.

It met the consensus of the Commission to speak with the Department of Transportation Commissioner in the Atlanta office.

#### **OTHER CITY BUSINESS**

Commissioner Davis reported that Dogs are still roaming around in the streets.

Mayor Wilson stated that he would like to know how many dogs are being picked up in the City each month.

Commissioner Plyman stated that a fatality on Hopkins Avenue and Glynn Avenue placed Commissioner MacLeod in the Hospital with bodily injuries. He stated that a light should be placed at that intersection on Glynn Avenue.

Commissioner Lawrence reported that limbs need to be cut down in the 2700 Block of Johnston Street.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the County reported that the City would build a fire station on the corner of Fourth Street and Altama Avenue. Commissioner Lawrence stated that the City was willing to build a northend fire station, but no definite site was given.

The City Manager reported that the Park and Tree Commission received a request from the business located at 1300 Newcastle Street to extend a patio into the park. The restaurant would be located in the bottom portion of the building and the owners would like to build a patio and adopt the park. The City Manager stated that the Park and Tree Commission agreed to support the business.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the City discussed not giving away anymore property in the City. Commissioner Plyman asked if the business would leave the park in the same condition it was found. He stated that the City needs assurance from the owners.

The City Attorney informed the Commission that the City could allow the business to use the park on a temporary basis.

Commissioner Lawrence recommended that the City Attorney and City Manager research the matter and meet with the owners and report back to the Commission.

Mayor Wilson reported that the City would be given the old Lissner building on Monck and Union Street and the City needs a revisionary clause in place if the building is not used for the intent the City has agreed upon.

Commissioner Plyman asked the City Manager to extend an invitation to Mr Boone to address the Commission about the progress of his building.

Robert Herrington reported that children are riding bicycles in the middle of Martin Luther King Blvd. Mr. Herrington stated that the kids should not be allowed to ride bicycles in the street and suggested that the kids be allowed to ride on the sidewalks.

Commissioner Plyman stated that the kids should be allowed to ride in the parking lanes.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the City needs to address the children standing the streets.

The City Manager stated that the sidewalks are used by the elderly and the children could not ride their bikes on the sidewalks.

**MEETING ADJOURNED.**

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Mayor

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City Clerk