

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR MEETING
8:30 A. M., June 7, 1995**

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 Commissioner Dr. James MacLeod.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion approving the minutes of the meeting of May 17 and May 30, 1995 with the necessary corrections. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

This being the date, time and place for public hearing to rezone New Town Lots 555 and 556 address known as 408 "P" Street from GR, General Residential District to GC, General Commercial District. Commissioner Plyman moved and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion approving the rezoning.

Commissioner Plyman stated the rezoning has already been approved by the Glynn County Zoning Board. Commissioner Plyman pointed out that the zoning would be conducive to the neighborhood and the property adjacent to it and its surroundings. The motion passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT TO DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Commission directed the City Clerk to advertise the appointment to the Downtown Development Authority.

CEMETERY DEED

Petition received from Heirs and Distributes of Lina Norris for deed to Lot No. 18, Section No. 90 in Greenwood Cemetery in lieu of original deed which has been lost, misplaced or destroyed. Commissioner Davis moved and Commissioner MacLeod seconded the motion granting the petition. The motion passed unanimously.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation of concerned residents from College Park was present to discuss the flooding problems in the area. Mark Woracheck stated that a board was placed in the culvert near his property. Mr. Woracheck expressed his concerns about City workers riding around in their vehicles in the neighborhood. Mr. Woracheck asked the Commission to visit the area and look at the ditches with the culverts almost full. Mr. Woracheck questioned why the City could not keep the ditches clean and why the City would not take action to prevent the flooding. Mr. Woracheck stated that when it rained his residence had two inches of rainwater coming over the slab in his house.

Commissioner Plyman stated that the City was making an attempt to solve the drainage problems in the neighborhood. Commissioner Plyman expressed his concerns about the flooding in College Park, pointing out that he walked all the ditches in the area. Commissioner Plyman indicated that he and some City employees came to the aid of residents in the October flooding.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the City needs to find a solution to the problems in College Park. Commissioner Lawrence stated that the problems should be handled in a joint effort and citizens should not place trash in the ditches and the blame should not be placed on anyone.

Mr. Woracheck stated that the flooding problems in College Park should have been taken care of when he contacted the Public Works Department and not have to appear at the City Commission meeting.

Charles Harris a resident of Palamar Drive stated that he was upset about the flooding and indicated that he had a list with petitioners on it. Mr. Harris mentioned that the City Commissioners was more interested in cleaning the cemeteries than preventing the flooding in College Park. Mr. Harris stated that he was tired of hearing excuses and nothing being done. Mr. Harris suggested that the residents stop paying their City taxes.

Norman Strickland stated that he fell in a culvert when he was cutting grass in his backyard and the City came out and placed dirt over the hole and told him the problem was taken care of. Mr. Strickland stated that the problems was coming from the culvert and the ditch. Mr. Strickland explained the problems with the drainage in the ditches.

Commissioner Davis recommended that the City dig out all the dirt in the culverts.

Thomas Martinez, Tina Herring and Daisy Jones expressed the same concerns about the flooding in the area. They also complained about their yards being wet year round and the problems with ants.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that two things should be addressed:

- (1) The routine cleaning of the ditches in College Park by the Public Works employees.
- (2) Eliminate placing trash and other objects in the ditches.

Commissioner MacLeod stated that the City should consider placing No Littering signs around the ditches, and asked the City Attorney would the present ordinance cover littering the ditches.

The City Attorney stated that the ordinance would cover littering.

Mrs. Jones volunteered to write tickets to residents for littering the ditches in College Park.

Mayor Wilson stated that he was familiar with the drainage problems in College Park because he dug the ditches and put in the pipes.

The residents praised Commissioner Plyman's work as a Commissioner because he would always come and look at the problems in the area and lend a helping hand.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that he was tired of hearing that Commissioner Plyman was the only Commissioner that visited College Park to look at the flood problems. He stated that he helped residents in the area when their houses flooded.

The Commissioner instructed Mrs. Mobley and Mr. Drummond to do everything to alleviate the problems with drainage in College Park.

Mike Fairman appeared before the Commission to discuss operating a waste transfer station on property owned by Glynn Iron and Steel Company. Mr. Fairman stated that the waste transfer station would be a solution to the City's garbage problems. Mr. Fairman stated that he has entered into an agreement with a company in Jesup to transfer the waste.

Representatives of Addington Environmental presented a proposal to the Commission. The proposal would allow Mr. Fairman to transfer waste generated in Brunswick to the Wayne County Regional Land fill for 20 years and this would save the City a large sum of money.

The City Attorney stated that Mr. Fairman presented a copy of the agreement to him. Mr. Fairman stated that he would like to begin construction on the facility. The City Attorney stated that Municipalities can enter into an agreement up to 50 years.

Commissioner MacLeod stated that he could not vote on an agreement he has not read.

Commissioner Lawrence stated his concerns about residents being receptive to a transfer station in the area.

Commissioner Plyman questioned the liability attached to a recycling plant. Mr. Stephens of Addington Environmental stated that the liability issue was difficult to answer. He stated that he would find out what liability the City could expect.

Commissioner MacLeod questioned what other Cities were using the same waste transfer system. Mr. Stephens stated that the City of Dublin, Georgia was presently using the transfer station. Commissioner MacLeod asked Mrs. Mobley to call the City Manager in Dublin to find out if they were satisfied customers.

It met the consensus of the Commission to study the proposal and come back at the next meeting to take action.

Mayor Wilson asked if Chapman Disposal Company was still operating in the City of Brunswick. Mrs. Mobley stated that Chapman Company furnishes the containers and the City dumps them. Mayor Wilson asked whether the matter of using other company dumpsters was ever approved by the Commission. Mrs. Mobley stated that the matter was never approved. Mayor Wilson stated that when Chapman started furnishing dumpsters in the City it should have been recorded in the minutes that a private company was furnishing containers in the City.

Commissioner Plyman stated that Nassau and BFI also have containers in the City. The City discontinued leasing dumpsters and private companies now leases containers to businesses in the City.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the matter was addressed several months ago and the Commission should have received the information.

Commissioner MacLeod brought up hiring a secretary to assist the City Attorney with the process of preparing houses for condemnation. Commissioner MacLeod stated that the process requires a lot of clerical work.

Mayor Wilson recommended that other personnel within the City assist the City Attorney with preparing the documents.

Commissioner Davis moved and Commissioner MacLeod seconded the motion authorizing the City Attorney to amend the unfit building ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Davis moved and Commissioner MacLeod seconded the motion unanimously adopting the following resolution to keep the name of the Sidney Lanier Bridge.

Commissioner Davis recommended that the stop sign on Reynolds Street and K Street be replaced pointing out that a traffic study has been done in the area and the residents requested that the sign be replaced.

Commissioner Davis moved and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion approving the stop sign on Reynolds and K Street.
The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner MacLeod moved and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion authorizing the Park and Tree Commission to price azaleas and oleanders and find out the proper way to plant the plants in City parks and medians. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Plyman stated that he did not give any direct orders to City employees to do any work in the City he pointed out that he only gives suggestions.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that he appreciated Commissioner Plyman for making that statement.

Mayor Wilson stated that the waste transfer station would be a great opportunity to recycle the trash in the City of Brunswick and he pointed out that he was pro Brunswick.

Commissioner Davis moved and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion to hold an Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

Mayor

Attest _____
City Clerk