

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
 COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA  
 CALLED MEETING  
 2:30 A.M., AUGUST 29, 1997**

**PRESENT:** His Honor, Mayor Homer L. Wilson, Commissioner Lawrence, Dr. James MacLeod, Ken Plyman and Harold E. Jennings.

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner MacLeod gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Mayor, Commissioners and everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PAY INCREASES FOR CITY EMPLOYEES:** City Manager Mark Mitchell reported the total salaries for General Fund was \$6,422,183.01. His report of the cost read as follows:

3%	3%	2.5%	2.5%
Sept. 1997	Jan. 1998	Sept. 1997	Jan. 1998
\$171,863.31	\$103,117.98	\$143,219.42	\$85,931.65

Above amounts includes Department Heads.

\$159,650.05	\$95,790.03	\$133,041.71	\$79,825.03
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This amount does not include Department Heads.

Discussion followed. Mayor Wilson advised the Council to proceed with caution due to the fact that the City's revenues would slow down until taxes and business licenses started to come in.

Margaret Faircloth approached the podium and stated she felt the employees should be compensated due to the fact that they were the ones doing the work. She questioned if the Commission would go ahead with their raises if employees could not receive one. Commissioner Lawrence went on record saying he would not accept a raise if employees could not be compensated. All Commissioners agreed.

Commissioner MacLeod made a motion that all City employees receive a 2.5 percent cost of living raise effective January 1, 1998. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jennings and passed unanimously.

**CEMETERY FUND:** Commissioner Plyman brought up for discussion the Proposed Cemetery Fund Ordinance adopted in 1997. This was monies that were suppose to be set aside each year for 5 years for perpetual care and was to be based on 25% sell of lots. City Manager Mark Mitchell stated that the sell of lots totaled \$21,000 this year and that \$5200 would be the amount to set aside. Commissioner MacLeod made a motion that the City set aside this amount for the Fund. Commissioner Plyman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**COMPOST PLANT:** Commissioner Plyman questioned the idea of selling the Compost for a way of additional revenues to help offset expenditures of the plant. Mayor Wilson stated that this was discussed before the plant came into operation and was advised not to sell product. If sold, then the Dept. of Agriculture would be involved and the City would have to meet certain criteria. After discussion, the Commission directed City Manager Mark Mitchell and Director of Water and Wastewater Bill Powell to study the feasibility of selling the product and report back to them their findings.

**LETTER OF RESIGNATION:** Commissioner Plyman presented to the Mayor his letter of Resignation effective this day, Friday, Midnight, August 29, 1997. This is for the purpose of freeing up his post so that someone might qualify to run in this upcoming election of November 4, 1997. This will enable him to qualify and to start his campaign for the Mayor's seat this same election date. Mayor Wilson made a motion that the Commission accepts his Letter of Resignation. Commissioner MacLeod seconded and motion passed unanimously. All thanked Commissioner Plyman for a job well done. Commissioner Jennings made a motion that a Resolution be drawn up honoring Commissioner Plyman. Commissioner Lawrence seconded and motion passed unanimously.

**MEETING ADJOURNED.**

/s/ Mayor Homer L. Wilson  
Mayor

Attest: Georgia E. Marion  
City Clerk