

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR RESCHEDULED MEETING
3:30 P.M., MAY 15, 1998**

PRESENT: His Honor Mayor Bradford S. Brown, Commissioners, Roosevelt Lawrence, Harold E. Jennings, Jonathan Williams, and Doris A. Davis.

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Commissioner Jonathan Williams.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the Commissioners and everyone in attendance.

CONSTRUCTION OF A NORTHEND FIRE FACILITY: The City Manager stated that the construction of a Northend fire station was included in the SPLOST Sales Tax. He stated that the City could use the Prison System to construct the building. There will be no labor cost the City would have to purchase materials. He stated that he received information concerning the use of prisoners for government projects. He pointed out that the construction project would take longer because there is not a contractor. He mentioned that the group has constructed a facility in Hinesville. He recommended that each Commissioner visit the facility in Hinesville.

Mayor Brown recommended that the Commission take some time next week to visit the facility.

Commissioner Lawrence expressed his concerns about using prisoners. Commissioner Lawrence recalled that something happened in Sterling years ago and prisoners killed residents. Commissioner Lawrence stated that the City should check into this.

Commissioner Jennings questioned how close the residential area was to the Northend facility. Commissioner Jennings questioned whether the prisoners would be convicted felons and whether they were close to their release date. He questioned the feelings of the neighbors who live near the facility. Commissioner Jennings stated that this is for information only.

Commissioner Williams stated that he is familiar with the program and these are not hard core prisoners. He pointed out that the program is being used all over the United States.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the problems should be cleared up concerning the situation that happened years ago.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion to hold an Executive Session to discuss Personnel.

Following the Executive Session Mayor Brown stated that the City Manager applicants have been narrowed down to three. The three applicants will be contacted and interviewed on May 27th.

Meeting Adjourned.

Mayor /s/ Bradford S. Brown

Attest: /s/ Georgia E. Marion
City Clerk