

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR MEETING
8:30 A.M., MAY 5, 1999**

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 Harold E. Jennings.

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

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of April 21, 1999 was deferred by the Commission until the next meeting.

RECOGNITIONS

Mayor Brown presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of May 9-15, 1999 as Old Town Preservation Association Month for National Preservation week.

Tiki Lloyd was present to invite everyone to attend National Day of Prayer on Thursday May 6, 1999 at noon on the steps of City Hall.

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Commissioner Lawrence nominated Charles Scott, Joe Jaudon and Sharon Smith Henderson to serve on the Downtown Development Authority Board.

Mayor Brown nominated Tony Sammons.

The nominations were closed and each person nominated received votes.

Charles Scott received 5 votes, Joe Jaudon received 5 votes and Sharon Smith Henderson received 2 votes from Commissioners Lawrence and Williams.

Tony Sammons received 3 votes from Mayor Brown and Commissioners Jennings and Davis.

Commissioner Lawrence moved to appoint Charles Scott, Joe Jaudon and Tony Sammons to a four year term on the Downtown Development Authority Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jennings. The motion carried.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Petition received to retail beer and wine for consumption on premises at Viv's Place, 1408 Monck Street for consumption on premises.

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion approving the license application. The motion carried.

BID RECOMMENDATION

The following bid were submitted for Expansion of the Multipurpose Center:

Bidder	Base Bid	Alternate 1.	Alternate 2.
AM Builders & Erectors, Inc. 3217 Glynn Avenue Brunswick, Georgia	No Bid		

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Edwards Incorporated 208 North Gladys Street Mt. Vernon, GA 30445	\$397,000.	\$4,500.	\$12,000.
Krueger Construction P. O. Box 264 Jesup, Georgia 31598	\$424,000.	\$8,300.	\$14,124.
Owens & Pridgen, Inc. 101 Crispen Blvd. Brunswick, Georgia 31520	\$458,386.	\$9,035.	\$14,167.
River City Contractors 4517-6 Appleton Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32210	No Bid		
Satilla Construction 4478 Meadow Wood Road Blackshear, GA 31516	No Bid		
Southland * P. O. Box 810 Jesup, GA 31598	\$341,570.	\$6,700.	\$15,985. *
Stewart & Associates Construction, Inc. P. O. Box 57 Baxley, GA 31513	\$374, 500.	\$4,000.	\$14,000.
Triple R Commercial Contracting, Inc. 1079 Atlantic Beach, FL 32233	No Bid		
Vinco, Incorporated 5860 Timukuana Rd., Suite 12 Jacksonville, FL 32244	No Bid		
Whaley Construction Co., Inc. P. O. Box 1352 Brunswick, Georgia 31521	No Bid		
Wood & Company 681 Canal Road Brunswick, Georgia 31525	\$353,000	\$4,700.	\$12,000.

*Recommended Bid

Mayor Brown stated that the differential in the bids was 10% and it was a local bidder.

The Commission discussed the difference in the bids. The City Attorney stated that Alternate 1 and Alternate 2 bids was a \$17,000.00 difference.

Commissioner Williams moved to accept the bid of Wood and Company in the amount of \$353,000.00. Commissioner Williams withdrew the motion.

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion to accept the recommendation of the City Manager, Southland in the amount of \$341,570. The motion carried.

The following bids were submitted for the purchase of a Fire Apparatus/Pumper for the Fire Department.

Vendor	Comments	Total
Southern Coach * 1985 N.W. 57th Street Ocala, FL 34475	Delivery 180 days after order placement and acceptance.	\$231,375.00 *
Harless Fire Equipment P. O. Box 671 Bessemer, AL 35021		\$253,745.00
E-One 901 Ermine St. Tifton, GA 31793		\$288,414.00

*Recommended Bid

The Fire Chief submitted pictures of the Fire Engine and recommended the low bid of Southern Coach.

Commissioner Davis moved and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion to accept the recommendation of staff for the low bid of Southern Coach in the amount of \$231,375.00. The motion carried.

BELL SOUTH MESA CABINET

The Building Official stated that Bell South requested to place a larger MESA Cabinet in Mary Ross Waterfront Park right off the right-of-way on the left side of the park. The Building Official stated that the MESA system will enhance the services of the surrounding buildings.

Mayor Brown expressed his concerns about placing the MESA system in the park. He pointed out that the system will be intrusive and will obstruct the view. Mayor Brown recommended that the MESA cabinet be placed on the Georgia Ports Authority property.

The Building Official pointed out that a lot of lines will have to be replaced and a lot of digging will have to take place in order to place the MESA system at another site.

Commissioner Lawrence expressed his concerns about safety and liability.

Commissioner Jennings moved to table the decision until the Building Official can negotiate with Bell South and the Georgia Ports Authority. Commissioner Jennings rescinded his motion.

Commissioner Jennings moved and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion authorizing the Building Official to negotiate with the Georgia Ports Authority and Bell South to place the MESA Cabinet at the Ports Authority. The motion carried.

Edwin Fendig, III appeared before the Commission to request that a temporary Mobile Office be placed at 8 Glynn Avenue for two years. Mr. Fendig stated that the mobile office will serve as a temporary office and construction office until a permanent office is completed.

Commissioner Jennings moved and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion to grant a variance to Edwin Fendig, III, Leeward Properties, LLC to place a temporary mobile home for one year until the permanent building is completed. The motion carried.

Glynn County Commissioner Henri Woodman appeared before the Commission to request that the City deed property in Beverly Shores to the County or homeowners to build a playground for the residents in that Community. Mrs.

Woodman stated that the County will have to apply for grant money to build the playground and put in playground equipment.

Commissioner Jennings moved to swap property in Beverly Shores with the County in exchange for property on I/95 for \$1.00. Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dave Whitfield representing the home owners in Beverly Shores stated that there is a need for a park and children are playing in the street. He mentioned a tragic accident happened in Beverly Shores.

The City Manager stated that he received information that the City of Brunswick will receive a Georgia Emergency Management Grant in the amount of \$48,447 for the storm sewer project in College Park Subdivision.

The City Manager stated that SPLOST funds were also allocated for the College Park project.

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion to accept the Georgia Emergency Management Grant. The motion carried.

CEMETERY DEEDS

Petition received to transfer Section 15, Lot 15, Spaces C & D in East Palmetto Cemetery from Ms. June Gonzales to Ms. June Ann Jones. Original deed was lost, misplaced or destroyed but, City records verify ownership.

Petition received to transfer Section 15, Lot 15, Spaces C & D in East Palmetto Cemetery from Ms. Agnes Johnson to Ms. Agnes M. Jones. Original deed was lost misplaced or destroyed but, City records verify ownership.

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion approving the cemetery deeds. The motion carried.

QUIT CLAIM DEED

Petition received from Robert M. Cunningham, as Attorney for George Rowell for quit claim deed in favor of his client, the present owner to Town Commons Southeast ¼ of Lot No. 131 and Northeast ¼ of Lot No. 131, between Stonewall and Lee Streets to clear title record if tax deed taken by the City, which was subsequently redeemed, but was lost, misplaced or destroyed without being recorded.

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion approving the Quit claim deed. The motion carried.

COMMISSIONER'S ITEMS

Commissioner Jennings mentioned that Glynn Iron and Steel property needs cleaning. The City Manager pointed out that they have been sited.

Commissioner Jennings stated that historic property in Savannah was purchased and torn down and according to the law this cannot be done.

The City Attorney stated that there is not a ban on tearing down historic property. The decision will be made by their board. Commissioner Jennings asked how will the City Ordinance stand up. The City Attorney stated the Building Official will have to give an order.

Commissioner Jennings requested that small storm drains be replaced for big storm drains or place wire over large drains. He asked that leaves be vacuumed out of all storm drains.

Commissioner Jennings reported that the resident of 224 Reynolds Street had a sewer line replaced and the contractor did not replace grass in the backyard. Commissioner Jennings stated that the contractors should be pressured to help the homeowners.

Commissioner Lawrence recommended that a traffic light be placed at Altama & R Street to help children cross the street before and after school. He stated that cars have already been counted. He asked what will have to be done to have a traffic light placed at that intersection. He asked that the City keep a detailed count of all accidents at the intersection of Altama & R Street, starting with the past 12 months.

Mayor Brown reported that he met with Commissioner Wayne Shackelford concerning the Martin Luther King Blvd project, Highway 17 project and L Street project. He stated that Mr. Shackelford was pleased with the City Officials visiting him in Atlanta.

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion to hold an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. The motion carried.

Following the Executive Session the Mayor stated they covered pending litigation.

Commissioner Lawrence moved and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting

MEETING ADJOURNED.

/s/ Bradford S. Brown

Mayor

Attest: Georgia E. Marion

City Clerk