

OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING
8:30 A.M., OCTOBER 04, 1999

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

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, Roosevelt Harris, Jr., City Attorney, M. Lynn Frey, III, and City Clerk, Georgia E. Marion.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Jonathan Williams gave the invocation.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of September 29, 1999 were deferred until the next meeting.

RECOGNITIONS: Mayor Brown presented a proclamation to Golden Isles Arts and Humanities in recognition of National Arts and Humanities Month in October. Proclamation to the YMCA recognizing October 17-23, 1999 as Week Without Violence was not presented since no one from the organization attended the meeting.

DELEGATIONS: Ben Ramsey appeared before the Commission to request subdividing three lots on Riverside Drive and relocating easement pipes.

Commissioner Lawrence made the motion and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion approving the subdividing of three lots on Riverside Drive and relocation of easement pipes. The motion carried.

APPROVALS: Tony Sammons representative Georgia Power Company and Darrell Dennis, Georgia Power Company Environmental Specialist appeared before the Commission to request approval of cleanup from an old manufactured Gas Plant site on Reynolds Street and "L" Street and the City's right of way. He stated that five parcels owned by property owners in the area will be included in the clean up.

Tony Sammons stated that Atlanta Natural Gas operated a manufactured Gas Plant on "L" Street and over a period of time residue escaped in the area. He pointed out that this is contaminated coal tar material. It also migrated into the alley and they have reported it to the Environmental Protection Agency.

Darrell Dennis submitted a copy of the Excavation Plan of the former Manufactured Gas Plant, and surrounding areas for removal of contaminated sand. He stated that Georgia Power Company and Georgia Natural Gas both owned the property at one time and they have cleaned up the area. He explained that low levels of coal tar will be removed from the City's right of way which is about two feet of surface contamination sometime in December.

Commissioner Jennings asked the width of the City's alley and whether it is still in operation. Darrell Dennis stated that the City's alley is not being used now, but it is open to miscellaneous traffic.

Commissioner Lawrence asked how much contaminated sand will be removed and whether the contaminated sand is on any private property. He asked will they get permission from property owners to remove the contaminated sand. Darrell Dennis stated that they will get permission to remove the contaminated sand from five property owners. He pointed out that the top layers of sand will be removed on the City's right of way.

Commissioner Williams asked if the old manufactured Gas site area was clean. Darrell Dennis stated that they will have to go back and clear the area down to three feet of top soil. He explained that all sites will be cleaned as soon as they get permission from all parties involved.

Commissioner Lawrence made the motion and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion approving the request to clean up the contaminated sand on the City's right of way and the old manufactured Gas Plant located on "L" and Newcastle Street under the direction of the Corrective Action Plan of the Environmental Protection Agency. The motion carried.

Commissioner Jennings commended Georgia Power Company and Georgia Natural Gas for being good environmental neighbors.

APPROVAL FOR PURCHASE OF GARBAGE TRUCK: The City Manager requested to purchase a garbage truck from Integrity in Raleigh, North Carolina not to exceed \$47,500.00. He stated that the City is trying to upgrade garbage trucks and that it is very expensive. He stated that he has been exploring opportunities to buy used garbage trucks. He pointed out that a used garbage truck was recently purchased with a new engine and transmission.

Commissioner Jennings asked the price of a new garbage truck. The City Manager stated that the price is \$90,000.00.

Commissioner Lawrence asked if the garbage truck had lifts and the reason why the company wants to sell the truck. The City Manager stated that a lift is on the garbage truck and some communities are privatizing and companies such as Integrity buy and refurbish garbage trucks.

Commissioner Williams asked if the City will have garbage pickups three times a week and one full time person. He asked if the City was looking at job placements for the employees who will not be working picking up garbage. The City Manager stated that employees working with garbage will be moved to other departments and the goal is to buy three garbage lift trucks for the City.

Commissioner Lawrence recommended placing two employees in the garbage lift trucks in case someone gets sick.

Commissioner Jennings asked about the search for a new Public Works Director. The City Manager stated that the position has been advertised and the interviewing process should begin soon.

Commissioner Lawrence made the motion and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion authorizing the City Manager to purchase a garbage truck not to exceed \$47,500.00. The motion carried.

CEMETERY DEEDS: On motion of Commissioner Davis, seconded by Commissioner Lawrence the following Cemetery Deed petitions were unanimously granted:

Petition from Louise Wealthier for deed to Space E, Lot No. 61-C, Section No. 3 in Greenwood Cemetery, in lieu of original deed which has been lost, but City records verify ownership.

Petition from Ruth Vicent to exchange spaces D, E, & F of Lot No. 1-A, section No. 120 for spaces B, C & d of Lot 13, Section 147 in Palmetto Cemetery, original deed surrendered.

Petition from Ruth Vicent to transfer spaces B, C, & D of Lot No. 13, Section 147 in Palmetto Cemetery to George and Della Vicent Riddle. Original deed returned.

MAYOR BROWN ITEM(S):

Halloween

Mayor Brown recommended that Halloween be celebrated on Saturday night October 30th instead of Sunday night October 31st 1999.

Commissioner Lawrence made the motion and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion changing Halloween from Sunday October 31st to Saturday October 30th, 1999. The motion carried.

Streetscape update

The City Manager reported that the architect have finalized plans for the two blocks that was not completed in the original Streetscape project. The City Manager stated that the architect can proceed with the streetscape project as soon as possible and the City can proceed with purchasing the pavers.

The City Manager pointed out that two blocks that will be finalized will be the block in front of City Hall and the block in front of the Public Library on Gloucester Street.

Commissioner Davis asked if the completion of the streetscape project will interfere with the renovation of the Library. The City Manager stated that it will not effect the renovation of the Library.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Commissioner Jennings made the motion and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion for an executive Session to discuss a Personnel issue. The motion carried.

Commissioner Lawrence requested that he would like to be placed on the agenda to discuss a personnel issue concerning employees at the next commission meeting.

Following the Executive Session Mayor Brown reported that the Commission discussed a personnel issue.

Commissioner Jennings made the motion and Commissioner Davis seconded ~~the~~ motion adjourning. The motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

/s/ Bradford S. Brown

Mayor

Attest: /s/ Georgia E. Marion
City Clerk