

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR MEETING
8:30 A.M., JUNE 07, 2000**

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

INVOCATION: Commissioner Jennings gave the invocation.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Commissioner Lawrence made the motion and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion approving the minutes of the meeting of May 17, 2000. The motion passed.

RECOGNITION: William "Buck" Crosby was not present to receive his Proclamation.

DELEGATION

Roy Purvis and Eddie Smith regarding City Docks

Roy Purvis of Captain Roy's Seafood on Norwich Street was present to discuss the use of the City dock. Mr. Purvis stated that he has shrimp boats tied up at the City docks and unload them there. He pointed out that this has been done for twenty years. Mr. Purvis mentioned that every fish house uses the City docks for unloading their boats and pay dockage fees to Corporal Dickerson of the City Police Department who collects dockage fees.

Mr. Purvis expressed his concerns about allegations that shrimp are not being inspected if they unload at the City docks. Mr. Purvis told the Commission that all the shrimp unloaded at the dock is inspected and he is responsible for the inspection of all boats that tie up and unload at the City dock. The Department of Natural Resources have a list of all shrimp that comes across the City dock. They know how many pounds of shrimp were unloaded, how much they cost and who purchased the shrimp. Mr. Purvis stated that shrimpers bring money into Brunswick and they pay City taxes and own property in the City.

Mr. Purvis read an excerpt from minutes of a City Commission meeting on May 30, 1974. "On F Street and London Street the dock is constructed of concrete and shrimp boats that are birthed here year round will use the dock as well as transit boats during shrimping season for unloading their catches, and taking on supplies at the Northend where permanent public docks are located. The Coast Guard Cutter Vessel is birthed and will be relocated."

Mr. Purvis read an excerpt from minutes of a Commission meeting on April 30, 1975. "A 600 ft. wharf which will serve as a public dock between the area of "F" Street and Monck Street."

Mr. Purvis read an excerpt from minutes of a Commission meeting on July 27, 1974. "Public docks will be constructed near the northend of the project for use by the commercial fishing fleet and other craft visiting the harbor under the plan contemplated. Urban Renewal would purchase from SCL a 140-foot strip on the waterfront west of the cloth warehouse. The Waterfront strip would be for construction of Public docks for shrimp boats."

Mr. Purvis stated that all the shrimp boats that were unloaded at the docks were unloaded by him except for two shrimp boats and they were unloaded and placed on a truck from Alabama.

Eddie Smith stated that this is the first Commission meeting he attended and normally would not get involved, but he purchases ninety-eight percent of the shrimp that come off the dock through Roy Purvis.

Mr. Smith stated that he also heard complaints about out of town trucks buying shrimp off of the City docks. He stated that he purchases the biggest majority of shrimp. Ed Forrest Seafood out of Alabama comes to Brunswick to purchase Shrimp from Tammie and Jack Keller and that is the only person that he knows of besides two peddlers that come to the dock from time to time to buy shrimp.

Mr. Smith expressed his concerns about articles he read in the newspaper about the use and repair of the City dock. Mr. Smith suggested that the City Attorney contacts Sea Island Company and find out what kind of percentage they have with Brent Thomas on St. Simons Island. He pointed out that the percentage would be a way that the City could increase their revenue off of the shrimp that is unloaded off the City dock. He further stated that he understood that Brent Thomas receives something like two cents a pound from Sea Island company for every pound of shrimp that is packed. He felt that the City should be fair to everyone and look at the situation a whole lot more than before.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that at the last meeting the City discussed the repair of the City dock and out of town boats that come in to dock at the City. He mentioned that ninety percent of the discussion was about the repair to the City dock. He further stated that the Commission discussed that the City had the cheapest cost for docking a boat in this area. Commissioner Lawrence recalled that the local boats do not have a chance to dock because of the out of town boaters because of the first come first serve policy. He stated that the Commission was concerned and decided to do whatever it takes to enhance the dock to make it a better place to dock.

Roy Purvis stated that a harbormaster for the Dock would help a lot. Corporal Dickerson has been taking care of boats and doing a good job. He is always there when the boats come in to collect the dockage fees. He suggested that Corporal Dickerson spend more time and arrange how the boats are tied up so that a lot more boats could be tied up. Boats come in and tie up and waste dock space.

Commissioner Williams stated that he see two major concerns, the first concern is that the dock is in a state of disrepair and how to get the docks repaired to protect the boats that tie up at the dock. The second concern is people coming in at late hours or early hours in the morning and unloading their catch into trucks from

other places. The City would like to make it equal for everybody who tie up at the dock and use the facility.

Commissioner Williams stated that the Commission never eradicated since he has been on the Board that they were going to disfranchise people that have been at the docks for years. He recalled that he spoke with the shrimpers about their concerns and the Commission never tried to drive the local boats away.

Mayor Brown stated that he did not quite understand the statement that all shrimp that is packed, sold and unloaded is done by Mr. Purvis.

Mr. Purvis stated that he unloaded most of the boats at the dock.

Mayor Brown stated that he understood the packing process occurs when the boat is unloaded and taken back to Mr. Purvis facility for packing and then shipped out to the consumer. Mr. Purvis agreed.

Mayor Brown stated that he personally witnessed vehicles coming in from Louisiana that unloaded straight from the shrimp boats on a truck from Louisiana. He stated that he did not think the truck went back to a packinghouse in the City.

Eddie Smith explained that it was Tammy with a freezer boat.

Mayor Brown stated that large tractor-trailers are arriving in the City unloading off the Shrimp boats right into the trailers.

Eddie Smith explained that he backs up his tractor-trailers to the dock to unload a freezer boat. He pointed out that there is a difference in unloading a freezer boat and an ice boat.

Mayor Brown asked if the shrimp boats are packed through Roy Purvis. Mr. Smith stated yes.

Eddie Smith explained the process that is used to cut down on the handling of frozen shrimp. Mr. Purvis pays the boats and handles all the paper work for the Department of Natural Resources.

Mayor Brown stated that he understands that the trucks are unloading frozen shrimp straight off the boat in a truck and the truck goes to Alabama. The Shrimp is not going through a local packer in Brunswick.

Eddie Smith explained that the shrimp is going through Mr. Purvis for packing and the boat is charged so much a pound to go across the dock.

Mayor Brown stated that Mr. Purvis is utilizing a City dock to process shrimp and is not paying the City anything for the use other than the dockage fee for his boat.

Mr. Purvis stated that the shrimp boats pay to dock and unload.

Mayor Brown stated that the shrimp boat only pays to dock and there is no fee charge for unloading at this point and time. Mr. Purvis is not paying for the use of the City docks other than for docking his boat.

Roy Purvis told the Commission that he is paying for handling of the shrimp. He invests money in the shrimp and pay the boats off. He pay their fuel bills and for everything the boats need while in Brunswick.

Mayor Brown explained that Mr. Purvis is utilizing the City docks for his business and the City is not getting the benefits of the shrimp crossing the City docks.

Roy Purvis stated that he pay the City \$50.00 for every boat that is tied up at the City dock and every boat that unloads.

Mayor Brown pointed out that the City receives docking fees and don't receive any wharfage fees or unloading fees.

Eddie Smith reiterated that the City should talk with Sea Island Company to collect a fee for unloading by the pound and the funds received could be enough to get the dock repaired.

The City Attorney stated that it is a good idea to help fill the gap that the Mayor is talking about. The City Attorney asked who at this point record the landings.

Eddie Smith stated that Mr. Purvis records the landings on all boats that come to the City dock.

Eddie Smith stated that Roy Purvis gets \$2.00 per box of shrimp from Sea Island Company for the entire year and that is a pretty good chunk of money.

Mayor Brown stated that he feels that the big issue here is basically the City has been subsidizing these boats that tie up to the City docks because they are not required to do any maintenance or upkeep on the dock other than paying dockage fees. There have been use and abuse occurring down there with the unloading of the shrimp and this is not fair for the City to subsidize a few boats instead of all the boats that dock in the City.

Roy Purvis stated that every boat that unload at the City dock have a choice to where they want to unload. He pointed out that he is not the only person unloading his boat.

Mayor Brown stated that the City is looking at how to address the boats that unload at the City docks and charge proper wharfage fees or unloading fees at the City dock. There is a lot of other expenses other than the upkeep and repair of the dock. A dumpster is provided at the dock and is badly abused. The dumpster is not only for household trash and debris off the shrimp boats, but a lot of repairs occur at the shrimp boats down there and wood, metal, water-heater, nets and everything else is thrown out beside the dumpster which is sort of an unsightly sight for tourist coming in town. Another problem the City has is with the cable that comes off the shrimp boats. The cable winds up in the river and that causes an increase in sedimentation right by the dock. It has been a lot of abuse and no one seems to

know who is doing it. The intent is to tighten up what's occurring at the dock and make sure everybody is paying their fair share.

Mayor Brown recommended that the City charge for the use of the dock for unloading. What is occurring at the City dock, there is no one paying the City for the use of the dock to unload shrimp. He stated that the City looked into docking fees and other facilities up and down the coast are charging any where from \$5.00 a square foot and \$6.00 and at the City dock the docking fee is \$.50 a square foot. The fees would cover the expense for wear and tear on the facility.

Roy Purvis stated that a fee like that is for boats to tie up beside a dock that have a floating dock with electricity, running water and cable television. The City dock tie up five or six deep and not against a floating dock.

Mayor Brown stated that the Commission has completely looked at all the facts. The other dock charges \$5.00 or \$6.00 a foot, but the City do not have electricity and water is provided for a very minimum fee. He suggested that the City charge \$2.00 per foot per boat as a minimum fee for docking.

Roy Purvis stated that the shrimpers could not afford to pay that fee during off-season when their boats are tied up at the City docks. The \$2.00 per foot is doubling the dock rent.

Mayor Brown pointed out that cruise ships pay \$500.00 per day to dock. He stated that he did not expect a shrimp boat to pay that much \$500.00 per day.

Roy Purvis mentioned that shrimpers put money into Brunswick, they don't come in and leave they are here everyday. They spend money on hardware, groceries and City taxes. He stated that the City should not try and run the shrimpers away from the dock with a \$2.00 per foot docking fee. The Shrimpers can afford maybe \$1.00 per foot and pay percentage on the shrimp.

Mr. Purvis stated that \$2.00 per foot would price shrimpers away from the docks, which was built for the shrimpers. The shrimpers can not afford \$2.00 per foot on their boats.

Eddie Brown asked the Mayor to consider looking at changing a percentage for unloading shrimp by the pound at the dock. He felt the City would make more money than charging a \$2.00 per foot docking fee. He stated that the City dock could not be treated like a Marina. He suggested that the Commission hold a town meeting with local shrimpers to get their input.

Mayor Brown stated that City docks could be treated like a Marina because other communities that have public docks treat them as Marina's. He stated that research of the Urban Renewal Project indicated that docks were not built strictly for shrimp boats. It states that the City docks are for shrimp boats, pleasure craft and commercial vessels.

Eddie Smith stated that the Urban Renewal Plan allowed regrouping of the whole shrimp fleet operation into two or three block areas with Municipal dock facilities to become a beauty spot and a tourist attraction.

Mayor Brown pointed out that this was preliminary planning after 1975. In 1976 the plans were actually changed and altered at some point. The original plan expected to place housing on the waterfront and all that changed. The City docks were built for the purpose of boats docking there be it shrimp boats, cruise ships or pleasure crafts. He brought up the issue of moving boats around when the City have specialty boats coming in the City such as cruise ships or other vessels. He stated that it is a headache trying to move around and adjust the area to receive these boats. This will be addressed in the new ordinance.

Commissioner Lawrence asked how much money Mr. Purvis makes when unloading twenty to thirty thousand pound of shrimp.

Mr. Purvis stated that he make \$10.00 per box and pays for the crew and fuel.

Commissioner Williams recommended that the City conducts a study and come back and present it to everybody and let them know what the City is doing. The City Attorney will do the research and present it to the Commission. The Commission is going to be fair and receive input from everybody. The City must find a way to add some funding to the dock.

Commissioner Jennings stated that he was concerned with the health of the citizens. Commissioner Jennings asked Mr. Purvis who inspects the seafood when the boats are unloaded in the early morning hours.

Mr. Purvis stated that no one unloads their boats early in the morning. All Shrimp are inspected by the Agricultural Department. He stated that he meets the requirements of the Federal Seafood Hazard Regulation Title 21-123 Freshness Products.

Mayor Brown stated that the City needs to receive its fair benefit for the use of the dock so that the City can maintain and up keep the dock and make repairs.

Mayor Brown stated that the City Attorney will address some of the issues and do other research if needed to decide what to do about the dock.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Brunswick Golden Isles Visitors Bureau

Commissioner Davis made the motion and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion re-appointing Commissioner Harold E. Jennings to serve on the Brunswick Golden Isles Visitors Bureau. The motion passed.

Alcoholic Beverage Applications

The following 2000 alcoholic beverage license renewals were submitted and approved by the Chief of Police and the City Manager. Commissioner Lawrence made the motion and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion approving the following license renewals:

To retail liquor including beer and wine for consumption on premises:

Brunswick Yacht
1312 Newcastle Street

To retail beer only for consumption on premises:

The Hot Spot
1807 "L" Street

CITED

Brunswick Police Department

The City Manager reported that the City Police Department will try to get a Citizens Involved To Eradicate Drugs Program in Brunswick. He pointed out that this program would be like the one in Jacksonville, FL.

Police Chief Cowan discussed the DART Program, which has been changed to the CITED program. Chief Cowan stated that the CITED program will be an important addition to the City of Brunswick.

Mayor Brown stated that the CITED Program is a good program for the City of Brunswick.

Chief Cowan stated that Corporal David Hines-Bey the CITED Coordinator went to Jacksonville to observe their CITED program. He stated that the Police Department is waiting to hear form the City Attorney in hopes that the Commission will adopt the CITED program.

Mike Faulkner- Use of Howard Coffin Park for Paddle Tennis:

The City Manager reported that the Tennis Courts at Howard Coffin Park need repairs. He stated that Mike Faulkner agreed to do minor repairs on the tennis courts at Howard Coffin Park if the City grants he use of the Courts for a paddle tennis tournament

Commissioner Williams stated that if the City Tennis Courts are in disrepair, then the City should look at the problem.

Commissioner Lawrence asked if the tennis courts have to be converted so that all people can play paddle tennis.

Commissioner Jennings pointed out that the tennis courts use to have lights.

The City Manager stated that the City have SPLOST funds to make the area more user friendly. This space can be made of better use and a new building will be constructed at Howard Coffin Park.

Commissioner Lawrence asked if the City Manager needed approval for the use and repair of the tennis court at Howard Coffin Park.

Mayor Brown stated that expenditures would be for the tennis courts. The City Manager stated that the cost for the repairs will not cost much. He stated that the expenditures can be approved by the City Manager.

COASTAL EXCHANGE CENTER

Al Talley, Gail Hutchinson and Missy Poppel appeared before the Commission to request the use of the Old Building Inspector's facility located on Newcastle Street for the Hispanic Population. Gail Hutchinson stated that the Hispanics feel alienated. She stated that there is a need to have special sessions with the Hispanic males, and requested the use of Howard Coffin Park on Sunday's for no fee. She pointed out that this will benefit the citizens of Glynn County.

All Talley stated that a mutual location is needed in downtown Brunswick for SuCosta for the purpose to develop a simulation strategy. He stated that Lisa Smith and Hector Garcia is not present, they are the contact persons for the Hispanic population.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that the City Attorney will have to do some research on the old Building Inspectors Facility. He stated that SuCosta would be granted the use of Howard Coffin Park.

Mayor Brown stated that the old Building Inspectors Facility is available and the City needs to look at financing strategies. He further stated that the City will not be covering the utility fee. Every organization will ask for free property. He asked the City Attorney to do some research to find out whether the City is providing any property to non-profit organizations.

Missy Poppel recalled that the City granted use of the Friendship House on Bartow to the Health Department for the mentally ill. She stated that anyone could come to the Coastal Exchange Center and no one will be turned away.

Commissioner Jennings recommended that they ask Willou Smith to add them to the list to get funding through the United Way.

Gail Hutchinson stated that she did not feel that the United Way should finance the Coastal Exchange Center or the Government. The employer should support this financially because these people are bringing people in this community. She invited everyone to attend the session on Sunday at Howard Coffin Park.

Commissioner Lawrence made the motion and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion waving the fee for use of Howard Coffin Park on Sunday at 3:00 P.M.. The motion carried.

The City Attorney was instructed to look at the use of the Old Building Inspector's Facility on Newcastle Street for use as a Coastal Exchange Center for SuCosta.

Commissioner Lawrence recalled last year that the City held Hispanic Day at Howard Coffin Park. He asked what was the difference in this event that was held last year and the event that will be held this year.

Missy Poppell stated that it will be a different program, Spring Fiesta was held last year and this year it is a different focus.

BID:

The following bids were received to purchase a 1999 Flat bed Truck for Public Works:

Vendor	Comments	Total
*King's Colonial Ford	Immediate Delivery	*\$33,600.00
Carl Gregory		\$35,001.40
Nalley Comm. Trucks		\$35,375.00
Dan Vaden Chevrolet		\$35,678.97
D & M International		\$36,668.30

Commissioner Jennings made the motion and Commissioner Lawrence seconded the motion to accept the low bid of King's Colonial Ford in the amount of \$33,600.00. The motion passed.

DISCUSSION

Taxi Cab Ordinance Revision-Burnette Fulton, Sr.

Burnette Fulton, Sr. owner of Fast Tract Services, Incorporated was present to discuss revising the taxicab ordinance.

Burnette Fulton, Sr. led the discussion asking the Commission to stop companies that do not have proper insurance from operating a taxi cab business. He requested that the City make changes to the City's taxi cab ordinance. He asked the Commission to make all transport companies follow rules and regulations in Sec. 21.2. He requested that an amendment be added to the taxi cab ordinance requiring all drivers to have a medical card subject to a drug and alcohol screening and submit a copy of their commercial insurance at the same time an application is completed and issuance of a taxi cab license.

Mr. Fulton explained that disgruntled employees start a business using their own vehicle. He requested that the Commission require that a person have at least five vehicles to operate a taxi cab company.

Mr. Fulton stated that taxi cab companies are using their own fees. He suggested that the City set up a taxi cab metering system for 45 days to get opinions on what rates should be used in the City.

Mr. Fulton suggested that all taxi cabs be inspected by designated mechanics to make sure that vehicles are in good working conditions.

Mr. Guest owner of Yellow Cab stated that inspections should be handled by Public Service employees who will check brakes, ball joints, exhaust and emissions. The commercial insurance coverage should cover all passengers.

Standard insurance is used by some people to get tags and permits to operate a taxi cab.

Mr. Guest stated that zone prices have been changed and a proposed meter will regulate prices on taxi cabs.

Commissioner Jennings stated that he liked uniform prices and the taxi cab inspections. He stated that he was not sure if the City could request that companies have at least five vehicles.

Mr. Guest pointed out that anyone can get a used car with no communication system, purchase a scanner and standard insurance and cut prices.

Commissioner Jennings instructed the City Attorney to meet with Mr. Fulton and Mr. Guest to discuss the changes in the taxi cab ordinance and bring back a recommendation to the Commission.

Following a discussion about fees, alcohol and drug screening the City Attorney was instructed to bring back a recommendation to the Commission.

CITY MANAGER'S ITEMS:

Martin Luther King Expansion Update.

The City Manager reported that the Department of transportation held a meeting last week to discuss the expansion of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

Burton Carter reported that the Southern portion of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard is scheduled to let bids in 2003 with a completion date of 2004.

Mayor Brown stated that if funding opens up it can be rescheduled for an earlier date.

RETREAT REMINDER

The City Manager reported that a retreat will be held Friday June 30th and Saturday July 1st. He mentioned that the Commission at the last retreat discussed Key stake holders and values. Frank Foster will be the instructor at the retreat.

CHART OF ACCOUNTS EXTENTION

The City Manager reported that under House Bill 491 a uniformed Chart of Accounts was established which begins the fiscal year of 2000. The City of Brunswick could not meet that deadline and received a deferral. He stated that staff is very concerned about sanitation which will become an enterprise fund like the Water accounts.

GMA ANNUAL CONVENTION

The City Manager reported that the Georgia Municipal Association Annual Convention will be held on Saturday June 24th-Tuesday June 27th in Savannah, GA.

Notice of Public Hearing (US 17 AIA Heritage corridor (CEDP))

The City Manager reported that he worked on the project and visited US Highway 17 and noticed decayed buildings in the area. This project will raise awareness to businesses along US 17. Vernon Martin along with the staff at the University of Georgia is working on the project. The next public hearing is scheduled for June 27th in Richmond Hill at the Holiday Inn.

CITY ATTORNEY'S ITEMS:

Historic Preservation District Boundary Ordinance.

Commissioner Williams made the motion and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion unanimously adopting the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 942

An ordinance to amend Chapter 5 of the City Code of Brunswick so as to designate the boundaries of a historic preservation district within the City; to describe the properties located within the district and set forth the names of the owners of said properties; to require that the district be shown on the official zoning map of the City or other map of the City and kept as a public record; to require that a certificate of appropriateness be obtained prior any material change in the appearance of any property located within the district; to repeal conflicting provisions; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF BRUNSWICK:

SECTION 1.

Chapter Five of the City code of Brunswick is hereby amended to add Sections 5-21 through 5-26, which shall provide as follows:

Sec. 5-21.

There is hereby designated pursuant to the provisions of City Ordinance 939 and the terms of Georgia law a historic district which shall be referred to as the "Old Town Brunswick Historic Preservation District" and which shall be bounded on its Northern side by "H" Street, on its East by Martin Luther King Boulevard, on its South side by First Avenue and on its West side by the western bank of the East River.

Sec. 5-22.

A list of the names and addresses of the properties located in said district and the owners thereof shall be attached to and incorporated into this

section 5-22 as though fully quoted verbatim herein, and shall be maintained along with the original ordinance with the public records of this City.

Sec. 5-23.

The boundaries of the said district shall be designated on the official zoning map of the City of Brunswick.

Sec. 5-24.

No material change in the appearance of a structure, site, or work or art within such district shall be made or be permitted to be made by the owner or occupant thereof, unless and until application for a Certificate of Appropriateness has been submitted to and approved by the Historic Preservation Board as provided for in Sections 5-6 through 5-16 of the City Code.

Sec. 5-25.

This Ordinance shall take place immediately upon its approval by vote of the City Commission.

Notice of Intent published June 5, 2000.

Adopted June 7, 2000.

Attest: /s/ Georgia E. Marion
City Clerk

/s/ Bradford S. Brown,
Mayor

CITY DOCK ORDINANCE

The City Attorney announced that a representative from the Department of Natural Resources should be present before the City Dock Ordinance is adopted by the City Commission. He stated that the ordinance will be looked at between now and the next Commission meeting.

CITY CLERK ITEMS:

Petition received from William T. Ligon, Jr., as attorney for William C. and Mrs. Shelly Haggler for Quit Claim Deed in favor of his clients to Lot No. 238, College Park property acquired at City tax sale. All taxes, interest and costs have been paid and account is clear.

Commissioner Jennings made the motion land Commissioner Davis seconded the motion granting the quit claim deed. The motion carried.

Petition received from Attorney Nichols for Dell Brown, the present owner for Quit Claim Deed in favor of his client to N-47' of E-1/2 of old Town Lot 319,

property acquired at City tax sale. All taxes, interest and costs have been paid and account is clear.

Commissioner Jennings made the motion and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion granting the quitclaim deed. The motion carried.

MAYOR BROWN'S ITEM:

Mayor Brown announced that a Flag Day Ceremony and Breakfast will be held on June 14th at 9:00 A.M. at the Elks Lodge. He encouraged everyone to attend the ceremony.

MAYOR PRO-TEM DAVIS'S ITEMS:

Street sweeper Scheduling

Mayor Pro-Tem Davis requested a schedule for the street sweeper so that citizens can remove their cars that are parked on City Streets.

The City Manager stated that a schedule for street sweeping will be submitted next.

Rescheduling of the Commission Meeting to be held on June 21, 2000 (Chamber Dinner)

Mayor Pro-Tem Davis recommended that the City Commission Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 21, 2000 at 7:00 P.M., be rescheduled so that the Commission may attend the Chamber of Commerce annual dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Davis made the motion and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion to reschedule the June 21st meeting at 7:00 p.m. to Wednesday June 21st at 8:30 a.m. or Wednesday June 28th at 7:00 p.m. On call for the vote Mayor Brown, Mayor Pro-Tem Davis and Commissioner Jennings voted yes. Commissioner Williams abstained. The motion passed.

COMMISSIONER JENNINGS' ITEM:

Clean up Cemeteries

There was no discussion by Commissioner Jennings for this item.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS' ITEM

Zoning Regulations

Commissioner Williams requested that the City look at zoning regulations in Brunswick, to determine what type of houses can be built in certain areas. He pointed out that he would like to see one family homes in one family districts. He recalled seeing a lot of duplexes in one family residential areas. He stated that Brunswick should make people sure people are building quality homes in the City.

Mayor Brown pointed out that General Residential District Zoning allows duplexes to be constructed in that zone. R-9 One Family Residential Districts and R-6 One Family Residential District zonings should allow one family homes in that area. He asked the City Attorney how to make changes in zoning. The City Attorney suggested having a work session to discuss and get input on zoning concerns.

COMMISSIONER LAWRENCES' ITEM:

Department of Transportation Banquet

Commissioner Williams in the absent of Commissioner Lawrence stated that the City of Brunswick supported Commissioner Shackelford and there was no reference listed in the program about any contributions. He mentioned that the City should be identified and recognized as a delegation from Brunswick and be a part of the group that was involved in that celebration.

Commissioner Williams stated that William "Buck" Crosby should be recognized for all the work he has done. He stated that the Commission regrets that he did not attend the Commission meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Williams made the motion and Commissioner Jennings seconded the motion to hold an Executive Session to discuss a Real Estate matter. The motion passed.

Following the Executive Session Mayor Brown announced that the Commission discussed a Real Estate Acquisition of the present City Hall Building and they have not come to an agreement and terms for the building. The Commission was not able to reach an agreement. He stated that there will be a needs assessment conducted on Old City Hall to determine how much space the City will need.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

/s/ Bradford S. Brown
Mayor

Attest: /s/ Georgia E. Marion
City Clerk