Council Meeting February 5, 1998

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, February 5, 1998 at 7:30 P.M. at the Courthouse.

PRESENT: Mayor John Adams; Councils Jesse Griffin, Bob Harris and Arnold Williams; City Manager, Scott Purvis; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Public Utilities Director, John Thursby; City Attorney, Willie Linahan.

ABSENT: Council Beverly Martin, Police Chief Woodrow Blue, and Fire Chief, J. C. Plair.

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order then led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance,

he also gave the invocation.

Visitors were welcomed and a quorum established.

Council Griffin made a motion to accept the minutes of January 8, 1998, seconded by Council Harris. Vote was unanimous.

Council Williams made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Council Griffin. Vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Agreement with the Valdosta Boys and Girls Club, Inc: City Manager, Scott Purvis, reported that the Boys and Girls Clubs want to use the ball fields located at Webb-Miller Park starting April 4. He recommended approval and to work out an agreement with them. Council Harris made a motion that the agreement and dialogue between the City Manager and people involved will continue, seconded by Council Griffin. Vote was unanimous.

City Manager reported that at last month's meeting Council approved a sewer line to be installed from the Health Clinic on W. Main St. to the Citgo Station at a cost of \$73,000. Of this amount, the engineering fees would be \$7,920.00. He recommended approval of the fee. Council Williams made a motion to approve City Manager's request, seconded by Council Harris. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

Public Utilities Director, John Thursby, reported on the need for a test meter and recommended purchasing one from Gwinnett Utilities for \$1,300.00, which is a budgeted item. Council Williams made a motion to purchase the test meter, seconded by Council Harris. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

Mayor Adams reported on Meeting Procedures and asked Council to adopt the procedures. Council Griffin made a motion to approve the new procedures, seconded by Council Harris.

Discussion followed. City Attorney, Willie Linahan suggested amending motion to add #4 under Section 3.5 Executive Sessions to read "other matters as provided by in accordance with State law. Council Griffin amended the motion to include City Attorney's suggestion. Vote was unanimous.

City Manager reported on an agreement between the City of Hahira and Lowndes County Board of Commissioners in which they agree to work on Webb-Miller Park. Council Williams made a motion to enter agreement with the county, seconded by Council Harris. Vote was unanimous.

City Manager reported on the expiring term of Emory Mathis on the Housing Authority and recommended reappointing Mr. Mathis, pending his acceptance. Council Harris made a motion to appoint Mr. Mathis, seconded by Council Griffin. Vote was unanimous.

City Manager read the Arbor Day resolution, which will be on February 20 and asked Council to pass the proclamation. Council Griffin made a motion to pass the proclamation, seconded by Council Harris. Vote was unanimous.

Mayor Adams recommended continuing with Council Harris as Mayor Pro-Tem. Council Griffin made a motion to keep Council Harris as Mayor Pro-Tem, seconded by Council Williams. Vote was unanimous.

Councils Williams, Griffin and Harris had no reports.

City Manager read a letter from Governor Miller addressed to Mayor Adams awarding the city a Law Enforcement Grant for \$10,000.00.

Mayor Adams reported on the GMA meeting and stated that he had met with State Representatives Jay Shaw and Tim Golden and said that they were working for us.

Mayor Adams also stated that we would keep trying for the Better Home Town grant.

Hahira's web site address on the Internet has changed to www.hahira.ga.us

Mayor reported construction on the Hahira Habitat house had begun and invited citizens to come and help.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

John F. Adams, Mayor Clerk

Marilyn Brady, City