Council Meeting March 7, 2002

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, March 7, 2002 at 7:30 P.M. at the Courthouse with Mayor Crowe presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor Myron Crowe; Councilmen Wayne Bullard, Joel Hunnicutt, Terry Benjamin and M. C. Nelson; City Manager, Danny Lucas; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Public Utilities Director, John Thursby; Police Chief, Terry Davis: City Attorney, Willie Linahan.

Mayor Crowe called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.

Mayor Crowe called on Council Nelson to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation by Mr. Wilmon Stanley. Visitors were welcomed.

Mayor Crowe called on a motion to approve the February 7, 2002 Council Minutes. Council Hunnicutt made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Council Benjamin. Vote was unanimous.

Review of bills: Mayor Crowe asked Council if there were any questions on the bills. There were none.

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Department Requests;

None

- B. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Official Holidays for Year 2002 ResolutionMayor Crowe read a list of the holidays for 2002.
 - b. Amendment to Subdivision Regulations Streetlight Districts

 City Manager, Danny Lucas, reported on Ordinance 02-01 to

amend subdivision regulations, article VI, minimum

improvements, City of Hahira, adopted July 13, 1989, by adding Appendix A.

c. Teen Explosion Proclamation Request

Representatives of Teen Explosion asked Council for a Proclamation declaring March 16th as "Drug and Tobacco Free Day" in Hahira. Mayor Crowe read the proclamation.

d. Water Line Improvements Contract - Change Order #1

Mayor Crowe explained the change order, which would increase the contract amount by \$1,900.00.

e. GEMA Statewide Mutual Aid & Assistance Agreement

City Manager, Danny Lucas, reported that the Federal Emergency Agency requires that states implement statewide, written, mutual aid agreements to be eligible for federal emergency funds to reimburse jurisdictions to pay for outside mutual aid assistance.

f) Allow City Manager to negotiate Utility Service Agreement with Union Road Mobile Home Park

Mayor Crowe reported that this was an agreement with Mr. Raymond Blanchard and Mr. J. C. Cowart to run water lines to the mobile home park for 44 units. Mr. Cowart would pay to run the water lines into the park. This agreement would give the city manager the authority to negotiate with Mr. Cowart.

Mayor Crowe called on a motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Benjamin made a motion to approve, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

C. Hahira Chamber of Commerce/Visitors Fund Transfer to City of Hahira Better Hometown Program

The Hahira Chamber, through the Executive Committee, has voted to disband the Hahira Chamber. The Chamber has written a check for approximately \$5,200.00 to be presented to the Better Hometown Program. Mayor Crowe recommended accepting the money and designate it to the Better Hometown Program. Council Bullard made a motion to accept the money, seconded by Council Hunnicutt. Vote was unanimous.

D. Repair Nutrition Car

Mayor Crowe reported that the car used in the Nutrition Program needed to be fixed so that it could be used by the Nutrition Site Director, as she has been using her own car to deliver meals. Tomlinson Body Shop would fix the car at a cost of \$2,523.30. The city's insurance is \$1,000.00 deductible. Mayor Crowe stated that we need to get the car back in service. Council Bullard made a motion to repair the nutrition car, seconded by Council Benjamin. Vote was unanimous.

E. Request for Proposals to Landscape Smith Park

City Manager, Danny Lucas, reported on landscaping and an irrigation system for Smith Park. There were three bids received:

Morey Construction - \$2,974.40 (does not include irrigation)

M. P. Landscaping - \$4,050.00 landscaping, \$3,725.00 irrigation - Total \$8,050.00

Quality Irrigation - \$8,660.05

City Manager recommended Quality Irrigation.

Council Bullard made a motion to table this, seconded by Council Nelson. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

REPORTS:

A. COUNCIL

Council Benjamin had no report, but encouraged Teen Explosion to continue with their program and to influence their peers in the right direction.

Council Hunnicutt encouraged all citizens to come to the Town Hall Meetings and to have more participation and discussion at the meetings.

Council Nelson had no report.

Council Bullard reported that there was a good turnout at the Town Hall Meeting and he also encouraged citizens to attend the meetings, as well as the regular Council Meetings. He also reported that he, the Mayor and City Manager, enjoyed going to Wild Adventures today.

B. City Manager

City Manager, Danny Lucas, also stated his appreciation to Teen Explosion and encouraged them to continue with the good work.

He stated that citizens have asked about using the tennis courts at the middle school. He has asked Ms. Vickie O'Brian to make a report on this and to see if citizens are interested. If there is a need, tennis courts, with lighting, will be added to the North Lowndes Recreational Facility.

He asked citizens who have high water bills to come by City Hall and pick up the document titled "Every Drop Counts", which would help them to reduce their wasted water.

C. Mayor

Mayor Crowe thanked all citizens who attended the Town Hall Meeting and asked everyone to invite someone to the next meeting.

Mayor Crowe asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Hunnicutt made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Benjamin. Vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Myron Crowe, Mayor Brady, City Clerk Marilyn