

Council Meeting August 1, 2002

The City Council of the City of Hahira met in regular session on Thursday, August 1, 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, Bonnie Tindall; Clerk, Marilyn Brady; Police Chief, Terry Davis; Fire Chief, J. C. Plair.

ABSENT: Public Works Director, John Thursby.

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

Mayor Crowe called on Council Bullard 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 July 11, 2002 Council Minutes. Council Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Council Benjamin. Vote was unanimous.

Review of bills: Mayor Crowe asked Council to review the bills.

PUBLIC HEARING

A. HA-2002-04 Text Amendment - Accessory Structures

Mayor Crowe reported that Carmella Carter, Zoning Administrator stated that at their regular monthly meeting on June 24, 2002, the Planning Commission voted to initiate the public hearing process for the proposed amendments to the City of Hahira Zoning Ordinance.

He called on City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, who reported that the amendments affect Section 2-2 (definition of accessory building), which would delete "including residential swimming pools". It is in line with the Comprehensive Plan and the Planning Commission recommended approval.

Mayor Crowe asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in favor of the amendment. No response.

He asked if there was anyone wishing to speak against the amendment. No response.

Council Bullard made a motion to approve the request by the Planning Commission, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

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PRESENTATION

Ken Garren, Executive Director of the Valdosta/Lowndes County Industrial Authority and Assistant Vickie Hughes.

Mr. Garren reported on the history of the Industrial Parks in the County, with slides shown by Ms. Vickie Hughes. He stated that there were 8 industrial parks in the County.

He mentioned the businesses that were located in each industrial park, their costs to build and the number of jobs that were created.

Mayor Crowe thanked Mr. Garren and Ms. Hughes for coming and presenting their report.

Consent Agenda:

A. Method of Payment for Garbage Truck -

Mayor Crowe reported that the garbage truck would be here August 20th . Money will come from a C D and the Water/Sewer Revenue Fund to pay for the truck. The cost will be just under \$120,000.00.

B. Water Cut off Notification Method -

Mayor Crowe called on City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, to give a report. She stated that there would be an addendum to the Code of Ordinances on Utilities which would explain the procedures for water cut-off notification. (Copy attached) This addendum #9 will be effective September 2002.

C. Collection for Non-Payment of Water Bills -

Mayor Crowe reported that Council decided to have the uncollected water bills turned over to a collection agency.

D. August Trial Schedule for Police Department -

Mayor Crowe reported that He, City Manager, Bonnie Tindall, and Councilman M. C. Nelson had met with Chief Terry Davis on the schedule. Chief Davis met with his Department and discussed a new schedule.

E. August Pay Schedule for Police Department -

Mayor Crowe reported that the trial pay schedule will be for a total of 84 hours in a two-week period. Pay will remain on a weekly basis. Overtime accrued over 84 hours will be paid.

Council Bullard made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council Nelson. Vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Extension of water lines on W. Main Street Extension -

Mayor Crowe noted, before discussion, that sewer lines was not to be on the agenda. He reported that the cost to install the water lines would be \$8,876.00, which would include two fire hydrants. SPLOST funds can be used for this project. Council Nelson made a motion to approve, seconded by Council Benjamin. Discussion followed. Vote was unanimous.

REPORTS

Councils Benjamin and Hunnicutt had no report.

Council Bullard reported that school would be opening soon.

Council Nelson reported that Audubon Heights subdivision had two homes being built. Also the building of homes on Lemaka has slowed a bit.

City Manager reported that she went to Camp Learn-A-Lot's last day program at the Community Center. She also recognized three police officers, Shannon Kingston, John Davis and Gerald Lunger.

Mayor Crowe reported that the water tower in the business park was being built; Bids for the Streetscape Project were in; Employee Appreciation Day was a success.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Crowe called for a motion to adjourn. Council Benjamin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Bullard. Vote was unanimous.

Myron Crowe, Mayor

Brady, City Clerk

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