

City Council of Peachtree City
Minutes of Meeting
April 16, 1998
7:00 p.m.

The City Council of Peachtree City met in a regular session Thursday, April 16, 1998, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Lenox was absent. Mayor Pro tem Brooks led those attending in the pledge of allegiance. Council members present were: Robert Brooks, Carol Fritz, Annie McMenamin, and Jim Pace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, AWARDS, SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The Chairman of Recreation Commission presented an "Outstanding Volunteer" Award to Ted McCarter, outgoing president of the PTC Youth Basketball Association.

Mayor Pro tem Brooks presented the American Flag and Certificate of Commendation to an employee, Rolando Ortega, for becoming a U.S. Citizen.

Mayor Pro tem Brooks presented a 10-year service pin to Lt. Rich Jenkins.

Mayor Pro tem Brooks presented the Employee of the Month award to Betsy Tyler.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

McMenamin made a motion to approve the minutes of March 19, 1998 with one correction in the spelling of a citizen's name. Pace seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD AGENDA ITEMS

There were no old agenda items.

NEW AGENDA ITEMS

4-98-08 Consider Bid for Willow Road Drainage Project

City Manager, Jim Basinger, explained the City needed to resolve a number of drainage problems that had developed over the years just north of the Willow Road/Highway 74 intersection. He said the Department of Transportation had installed a larger pipe under the highway to accommodate the drainage flow, but that a hydrology study conducted for the area concluded that additional downstream retention was necessary to accommodate the total flow of water.

Basinger said staff recommended a retention facility be installed east of Willow Road between Willow Road and Hip Pocket Road. He said two contractors had submitted the following bids:

Brent Scarbrough & Company	\$45,420
Newnan Paving, Inc.	\$51,500

Basinger recommended the bid be awarded to the low bidder, Brent Scarbrough & Company, for \$45,420 and explained that there was \$40,160 remaining in the budget for the project. He said GA DOT would be providing \$6,556.36 toward the cost of the project and that the developer of the Willow Creek Subdivision, Bob Adams Homes, would also be contributing a proportionate share of the costs.

Pace made a motion to award the bid to Brent Scarbrough and Company for \$45,420 as recommended by staff. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

04-98-09 Consider Contract for Pool Operations

Basinger explained staff was proposing to contract with a private professional pool maintenance company to provide lifeguard personnel and related aquatics services for the City's pools. He said staff had a difficult time obtaining lifeguards during the winter months when students were in high school and college. He said obtaining an adequate number of guards in the summer time was also a problem due to the demand and competition for guards at the golf course pools as well those pools operated by subdivisions. Basinger explained that for the last several months the City had to reduce operating hours at the Kedron Aquatics Center due to a lack of guards.

Basinger said staff had solicited bids from the following two companies that provided turn-key operations:

On Guard	\$199,456.28
USA Pools	\$167,529

He explained the contract was for the period of May 23, when all pools open, through the closing date of September 30. Major services included:

- Hiring, training, and monitoring all lifeguards, head lifeguards and pool manager;
- All payroll services for guards;
- Providing pool chemicals and maintaining chemical levels in all pools;
- Performing routine maintenance checks of all pool equipment;
- Performing all procedures to open pools at the season beginning and end;
- and, cleaning restrooms and pool facilities.

Basinger said staff recommended the contract be awarded to the low bidder, USA Pools. He said the company had an excellent reputation with a number of accounts in Peachtree City and the south side of Atlanta.

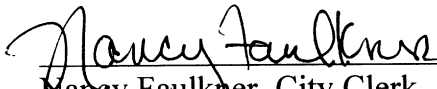
He explained the estimated difference in the cost of privatizing the service and budgeted dollars was just over \$11,000, and there were adequate funds in the budget to cover the amount. Basinger felt, however, the proposal was comparable to the total pool operation expenditures by considering other administrative and personnel costs not directly identified in the budget. He felt

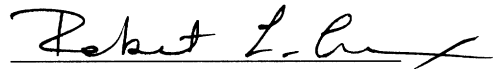
that being assured of adequate guards to keep the pools opened as scheduled was worth any small difference in cost.

Council member Fritz expressed her concern that lifeguards should assert their authority when ever needed.

McMenamin felt the citizens expected the city to provide the best possible service and made a motion to award the contract to USA Pools in the amount of \$167,529 as recommended by staff. Fritz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Brooks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.


Nancy Faulkner, City Clerk

Attest: 
Mayor