

MINUTES OF MEETING
City Council of Peachtree City
March 17, 1994
7:00 p.m.

The Mayor and Council of Peachtree City met in regular session on Thursday Night March 17, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Lenox led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance. Present were Mayor Robert Lenox, Councilmembers Annie McMenamin, Robert Brooks and Caroline Price. Councilmember Bradford was absent.

Mayor Lenox made a motion to add an item to discuss contracts with the Department of Transportation concerning the Highway 74 Bicycle Bridge. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Item was added as 3-94-11.

Announcements, Awards, Special Recognitions

Mayor Lenox presented Mr. Jim Price, Fayette Senior Services, with a check to help the County obtain a state grant for the purchase of a new van to transport seniors in Fayette County. Mr. Price thanked Peachtree City for all they had done to help the progress of the Fayette Senior Services. Ms. Miriam Fulton presented Councilmember Annie McMenamin with a plaque in recognition of her countless hours spent helping the Senior Citizens of Fayette County.

Mayor Lenox presented the "Employee of the Month Award" for February to Mary Haas, Assistant Librarian.

Mayor Lenox presented a certificate to Ms. Marcie Blind for her accreditation as a Certified Professional Public Buyer.

Mayor Lenox and Lieutenant Tom Hughey presented certificates to volunteer firefighters who had recently completed the initial training.

Department Reports

Mayor Lenox reported that department reports for February were available for review at City Hall.

Minutes

McMenamin made a motion that the minutes of the March 3, 1994 City Council meeting be approved as presented. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Agenda Items

3-94-1 Consider Paving Spear Road

Mayor Lenox stated that at the last City Council meeting Council and residents had a workable solution to the paving of Spear Road and that Council had asked the residents to meet and decide what they would be willing to accept. Mayor Lenox asked to hear from the Spear Road residents.

Mr. Gene Bryson came forward and stated that he had surveyed all the twelve residents of Spear Road and that he had summarized the results in a letter to the Council. Mr. Bryson stated that four residents were in favor of paving Spear Road, four were in favor of paving with some restrictions, two would prefer gravel but would accept paving and that two had not responded. Mr. Bryson stated that since the letter was given to Council, the two residents had responded and were not in favor of paving Spear Road. Mr. Bryson stated that the residents would like the road paved at not cost to them, but that most were willing to contribute if necessary.

Lenox stated that based on discussion at the last Council meeting it was decided that if eight residents were in favor of paving Spear Road, the City would go to work and try to get aid from the State and County. It was stated that resident participation in the cost of paving would be required. Mayor Lenox stated that it would probably be eight weeks before the City would get a response and that staff would keep in touch with Mr. Bryson. Lenox made a motion to delete the item. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

New Agenda Items

3-94-5 1993 Audit

Mr. Ed Wetherington of the Price and Geeslin CPA Firm, came forward and stated that Council had before them an unqualified opinion of the City's financial status and that the statements in the report would go into the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for which the City had won an award the last several years. Mr. Wetherington thanked the staff for all their cooperation in preparing the audit. Mayor Lenox thanked Price and Geeslin and made a motion to approve the 1993 Audit as presented. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3-94-6 Appeal of Administrative Decision on Land Development Ordinance - Tim Powers

Mayor Lenox stated that Mr. Powers attorney, Mr. Jim Bischoff, had requested to have the item removed from the agenda to allow time to attempt to resolve the matter. The Mayor made a motion to table the item to the next scheduled meeting. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3-94-7 Review plans for Planterra Ridge Tennis Center

Mr. Jim Fulton, Peachtree City Development Authority, came forward and stated that he was the Development Authority representative on the Tennis Center Construction Committee along with Sallie MacGregor from the Recreation Commission, Jim Williams, City Staff and Suzanne Heil from the Tennis Association. Mr. Fulton stated that the committee had retained the services of Mr. Bob Saylor, Floyd County Recreation Director, for consulting input into the project. Mr. Fulton explained that Rome/Floyd County had recently constructed a similar tennis center that had been awarded "Best Tennis Facility in the Southeast". Mr. Fulton stated that Mr. Bill Foley had come up with a beautiful design for the type of championship facility Planterra Ridge would be. Mr. Fulton presented the design of the facility to Council and stated that it was expected that the tennis facility would attract state and national tournaments. Fulton stated that Council approval of the concept plan was required and that with approval construction would begin right away and the facility should be ready for play in early October. Mr. Fulton went on to say that the Recreation Commission and the Planning Commission had given unanimous approval to the concept plan.

McMenamin stated that Planterra Ridge Tennis Center would be a beautiful facility. Price stated that it was nice to see all the work coming together into such a complex and made a motion to approve the concept plan for Phase I of the Planterra Ridge Tennis Center. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3-94-8 Police Department Expansion

City Manager Jim Basinger stated that the City had solicited bids for the expansion of the unfinished area of the Police Department and the replacement of the existing carpet which was water damaged prior to the waterproofing of the building. Seven bids were received as follows:

J.R. Bowman Construction Stockbridge, Georgia	\$43,086.00
DCW, Inc. Fairburn, Georgia	\$43,900.00
Nichols & Associates Marietta, Georgia	\$54,960.00
Burcher, Inc. Fayetteville, Georgia	\$55,605.00
Helton & Associates Fayetteville, Georgia	\$55,609.00
Hobgood Construction Alpharetta, Georgia	\$55,624.00

MEJA Construction
Fayetteville, Georgia

\$57,300.00

Basinger stated that it was staffs recommendation that the bid be awarded to J.R. Bowman Construction for the amount bid of \$43,086.00. Basinger stated that J.R. Bowman had done work for Georgia Tech and that there were sufficient funds in the Public Improvement Program.

McMenamin asked Police Chief Murray what the area would be used for and Chief Murray stated that the area would be used for a training room, an evidence room and Detective Division area. McMenamin made a motion to award the bid for the Police Department Expansion to J. R. Bowman for the amount bid of 43,086.00 Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3-94-9 Consider amendment to Section 2-8 Commission and Authority Appointments

City Manager Jim Basinger stated that there have been times when a member of an commission or authority has resigned with relatively few months remaining on a term. Basinger stated that staff had in the past gone through the interview and appointment process to fill the remainder of the term. Basinger stated that an amendment to the City Code could be made that would permit an interim member appointment for a maximum of six months from the pool of applicants. To provide for an interim member to a commission or authority an amendment to Section 2-8 of the City Code of Ordinances would need to be made. Basinger stated that staff recommended Council approval of the amendment.

Price stated that an interim appointment seemed to be a fair way to appoint a member and that six months was a reasonable time period. Price made a motion to approve the amendment to Section 2-8 to provide for an interim appointment to a commission or authority. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3-94-10 Interim Appointment - Commission on Children and Youth

City Manger Jim Basinger stated that with the passage of the amendment to Section 2-8 providing for an interim appointment to a commission or authority, the Commission on Children and Youth recommend that Mr. Richard Thompson be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Ms. De Molloy which will end August 31, 1994. Basinger stated that Mr. Thompson had done a great deal of work for the Commission on Children and Youth committees and that staff joined the Commission on Children and Youth in recommending that Mr. Thompson be appointed.

McMenamin stated that she had been on the selection committee for the Commission on Children and Youth and that it had been extremely difficult to select a member with so many qualified applicants and made a motion that Mr. Richard Thompson be appointed as an interim

member to the Commission on Children and Youth. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3-94-11 DOT Agreement - Highway 74 Bicycle Bridge

City Manger Jim Basinger stated that the Department of Transportation had submitted documents for the Mayor to sign concerning the CSX railroad crossing by the Highway 74 Bicycle Bridge. Mr. Basinger stated that the crossing signals would need to be relocated and that Peachtree City had already agreed to bear the cost of that project. Basinger stated that the DOT would be paying for seventy five percent of the bridge and the City twenty five percent. Basinger stated that DOT did require the Mayor to sign the contracts and the bridge should be completed this year.

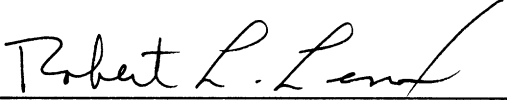
Brooks made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreements with DOT for the Highway 74 Bicycle Bridge. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before Council Mayor Lenox made a motion that the meeting be recessed to be reconvened in executive session. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

There was no action taken in executive session and Mayor Lenox made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.


Angie Stevens, Asst. City Clerk



Mayor

Attest: