

City Council of Peachtree City

Minutes of Meeting

March 4, 1999

7:00 p.m.

The City Council of Peachtree City met in a regular session, Thursday, March 4, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Lenox led those attending in the pledge of allegiance. Other council members present were: Annie McMenamin, Bob Brooks and Carol Fritz. Jim Pace was absent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, AWARDS, SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mayor Lenox read a Proclamation for "Girl Scouts Be Your Best Day"

Mayor Lenox presented a 10-year Service Pin to Nancy Faulkner.

Mayor Lenox announced the City's 40th Birthday Party would be held on March 9, 1999, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Coweta-Fayette EMC Announcement

Jim Basinger, City Manager, announced that Coweta-Fayette EMC had a letter to the editor regarding a computer problem that caused a delay in converting customers from Atlanta Gas Light. Because Coweta-Fayette EMC has been endorsed to our citizens as Peachtree City's Preferred Provider, staff contacted EMC to see if some sort of credit could be arranged for the next billing cycle for customers who had made the effort to switch on time, but were prevented by the computer problem. He explained that initially, EMC agreed to give a credit to customers who were delayed in switching to EMC for the difference in the Atlanta Gas Light bill versus what the EMC bill would have been. However, after researching the rate difference for March, EMC has learned that Atlanta Gas Light has reduced their March rate, possibly due to recent negative publicity. This has resulted in a rate fractionally lower than EMC's for the same time period, although does not indicate that the rate will continue to be lower in future months. Ultimately, the delay should cause no negative impact to customers.

Basinger said the endorsement of Coweta-Fayette EMC as the Preferred Provider was presented as an option to residents. Although staff continued to feel a fair rate was negotiated with a local provider, they have not guaranteed the lowest gas rate each month. Staff had also been assured by EMC that the computer problem had been corrected, and that all customers who tried to switch providers in March will be officially switched for April.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

Lenox made a motion to add agenda item 03-99-05 Development Authority Appointments. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

McMenamin made a motion to approve the minutes of February 18, 1999, as presented. Fritz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD AGENDA ITEMS

There were no old agenda items.

NEW AGENDA ITEMS

03-99-01 Public Hearing - Rezoning Request – Lallande Property

Due to fact that the property concerning this public hearing was also under consideration for discussion by the Land Use Plan Task Force, the applicant requested this item to be tabled. Lenox made a motion to table the public hearing as requested. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

03-99-02 Public Hearing – Variance - Photocircuits

Lenox made a motion to continue the public hearing until the next meeting. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Eileen Shaw, Vice President of the Planterra Community Association address Council and said she said she was pleased Council had tabled the issue. She said she was not opposed to industry but she voiced concerns the association had about the ramifications of having industry adjacent to a residential community. Ms. Shaw said the association had retained an attorney to represent them and that Council would be provided with a packet of information prior to the March 18 meeting.

Lenox suggested holding a special meeting to discuss the association's concerns and issues prior to the Public Hearing. The meeting was scheduled for Monday, March 15, 1999, 6:00 p.m. at the Gathering Place.

03-99-03 Consider Request - McIntosh Dugout Club

Toby Black addressed Council on behalf of the McIntosh Dugout Club and requested funding for their project to provide new bleachers and a concession stand for McIntosh High School. In exchange for funding, the City would be allowed to use the baseball fields when available in the summer months at those times when the Recreation Department experience a shortage of fields for the boys and adult baseball games. Black said they needed an additional \$20,000 for the project. McMenamin made a motion to give the McIntosh Dugout Club \$5,000 from the Council Contingency Fund for their project with the understanding that the City would be allowed to use the baseball field. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

03-99-04 City Ordinance Book - Codification & Update

At Basinger's request, Brooks made a motion to table this item until the meeting on March 18. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

03-99-05 Development Authority Appointments

Basinger said the selection committee composed of Mayor Lenox, Councilmember Bob Brooks and himself interviewed eight applicants for the vacancies on the Development Authority. It was their recommendation that Jim Fulton be reappointed to serve a term from 4/7/99 through 4/6/05 and that Mr. Scott Bradshaw be appointed to serve a term from 4/7/99 through 4/6/05. They also recommended that Mr. Bruce Vail be appointed to serve as an alternate to fill any vacancy which may occur. Brooks made a motion to appoint members to the Development Authority as recommended by the selection committee. Fritz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

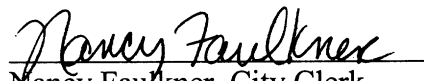
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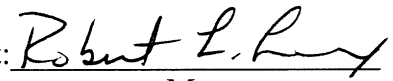
Basinger asked Council for volunteers to serve on a selection committee for upcoming vacancies on the Library Commission. McMenamin and Fritz agreed.

Lenox made a motion to adjourn for a brief recess and to reconvene into executive session to discuss a legal matter. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken in executive session. McMenamin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Fritz seconded the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.


Nancy Faulkner, City Clerk

Attest: 
Mayor