MINUTES OF MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF PEACHTREE CITY
February 7, 1991

The City Council of Peachtree City met in regular session on Thursday Night, February 7, 1991, at 7 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order and led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance. Members present were: Mayor Frederick Brown, Jr. and Council members Ed Bradford, Annie McMenamin, Robert Brooks and Rich. Parlontieri.

Addition of Agenda Items

Builder Bob Adams asked that item be added to the agenda to allow discussion of recreation impact fees. Motion was made by Parlontieri and seconded by McMenamin that the item be added. Motion carried unanimously. Item 2-91-9

Announcements, Awards, Special Recognitions

Mayor Brown recognized Mr. Lester Mann, Mayor of Senoia, and welcomed him to the meeting.

Mayor Brown read a proclamation urging the citizens to take advantage of special events planned for African History Month and proclaimed the month of February as African History Month in Peachtree City.

Mayor Brown announced that a parade and rally to honor the troops in the Persian Gulf was planned for Saturday, February 16th, at 2 PM. He stated that the parade would assemble at Booth Middle School and would travel along the cartpath to City Hall where the ceremony was planned to be held. He urged all Peachtree City residents to participate in honoring the heroes.

Mayor Brown presented a fifteen year service pin to Fire Chief Reed. The Mayor congratulated him on his years of service with the city and wished him many more.

Mayor Brown announced that the City Council would be holding their annual retreat on March 1st, 2nd and 3rd at the Peachtree Executive Confereance Center. He stated that the meeting was open to the public and invited anyone interested to attend.

Minutes of Meeting

Motion was made by Parlontieri that minutes of the meeting held January 3, 1991 be approved as submitted. Motion was seconded by McMenamin. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Agenda Item

1-91-11 Paramedic Positions/Salary

Basinger explained that at the last meeting there was discussion regarding a shortage of paramedic personnel as well as a problem with hiring of personnel due to the salary range. He reminded Council that at that time although three new positions was favored, action was delayed due to the concern among some regarding the proposed new starting salary of the paramedics and a workshop was scheduled for last Monday evening to discuss the proposed starting salaries of paramedics.

Basinger reported that at the workshop Chief Reed had met with his management staff, Lt. Murphy and Lt. Hughey, and the Chief now recommends a starting salary of 23,686 which was a 17.4% increase from the present salary of $20,165. Chief Reed also recommended that the present employees receive an across the board increase of 17.4% which equated to an increase of $3,521 for each current paramedic to prevent salary compression. Basinger stated that two employees would also receive an additional 2% to keep them above the new starting salary. The total cost as recommended by Chief Reed, including the three new positions, would be $68,471 for the current fiscal year.

Basinger reported that at the last meeting Council agreed to increase EMS fees which would generate an additional $31,293 for the remainder of the fiscal year. He stated that would leave a deficit of $37,178 to fund the salaries and it was staff's recommendation that these funds be taken from the reserve fund. He stated that Chief Reed was present to answer any questions of Council.

Mayor Brown called for questions or comments from the Council or public and hearing none called for action on the proposal.

Motion was made by Parlontieri that the salary plan recommended by Chief Reed and presented by the City Manager be accepted for the adjusted salary of paramedics with the proviso that the deficiency of $37,178 be taken from the reserve fund. Motion was seconded by Brooks. Basinger asked that the effective date of the adjustment be February 25th and motion was amended to include that provision. Motion carried unanimously.

At this time there was discussion on whether or not the three new positions were authorized at the last meeting. Action was delayed to the close of the meeting when it was determined that they were not authorized. A motion was then made by Bradford and seconded by Parlontieri that three new paramedic positions be authorized. Motion carried unanimously.

New Agenda Items

2-91-1 Alcoholic Beverage License - Wings and Things

City Manager Basinger presented for consideration an application for a beer and wine license for Wings and Things Restaurant located in the Peachtree Crossing Shopping Center. The application indicated that the business was owned by Gerald and Carol Anson of Fayetteville and John Schaf of Morrow, Georgia. Basinger stated that Mr. Schaf had applied as licensee and Ms. Anson as license representative. He reported the paperwork to be in order and that the applicants were present for any questions Council might have of them.

McMenamin asked the applicants their intended hours of operation and they answered that they planned to be open during the week from 11 AM to 8 PM and from 11 AM to 9 PM on the week-ends. In answer to another question of McMenamin they responded that at least one of the three planned to be on the site each day and their employees would be fully trained. They stated that they had become familiar with the city ordinances and would comply with them.

Motion was made by Brooks that the application be approved. Motion was seconded by McMenamin. Motion carried unanimously.

2-91-2 Four Year Terms

Mayor Brown deferred discussion regarding a change from two year terms of Council to four year terms to the Retreat.

2-91-3 Fire Department Pickup Truck Bids

City Manager Basinger reported that bids were solicited for the purchase of a Pickup Truck for the Fire Department and the following bids were received:

1.	Hub Motor Company	$ 9,517.00
2.	Griffin Ford	10,137.00
3.	Southlake Ford	10,203.00
4.	Nalley Ford	10,952.00
5.	Wade Ford	11,255.00

Basinger reported that $12,102 was budgeted in the Fire Department budget for the truck and that staff recommended awarding the bid to Hub Motor Company, the low bidder.

Motion was made by Mayor Brown that the recommendation be approved and that excess funds budgeted for the truck be returned to the reserve fund. Motion was seconded by Brooks. Motion carried unanimously.

2-91-4 Public Works Truck Bid

City Manager Basinger reported that bids were solicited for a 1992 Crew Cab Pickup Truck with a trailer tow for the Public Works Department and the following bids were received:

1.	Southlake Ford	$14,757.00
2.	Hub Motor Company	14,839.00
3.	Airport Ford	14,850.74
4.	Wade Ford, Inc.	15,184.00
5.	Griffin Ford, Inc.	15,458.00

Basinger reported that $15,000 was budgeted in the Public Works Department

Budget and that staff recommended the bid be awarded to the low bidder, Southlake Ford for $14,757.00.

Parlontieri questioned whether or not a better price could not be received from Hub or Wade Ford since the City was purchasing two trucks. Basinger reported that they were offered the opportunity of bidding on one or both and these were the bids received.

Motion was made by Parlontieri that the bid be accepted as recommended by staff. Motion seconded by Bradford. Motion carried unanimously.

2-91-5 Recreation Department Tractor/Mower Bids

City Manager Basinger reported that staff solicited bids for the purchase of a 1991 Tractor, Diesel 42 HP with Mower for the Recreation Department using the 1980 Kubota Tractor as trade-in. The following bids were received:

1.	Franklin Ford	$11,190.00
2.	Griffin Ford New Holland, Inc.	11,925.00
3.	Lashley Tractor	13,006.00
4.	Lashley Tractor Alternate Bid	12,825.00
5.	Fayette Tractor	13,535.00

Basinger stated that it was staff's recommendation that Council declare the 1980 Kubota 185 Tractor surplus property and allow it to be used as a trade-in for the 1991 Tractor, Diesel 42 HP and that the bid be awarded to Franklin Ford for $11,190.00. He reported that there was $15,500 budgeted in the Recreation Department Budget for the equipment.

Motion was made by Bradford that the bid be awarded to Franklin Ford as priced at $11,190. Motion was seconded by Brooks who asked that the motion be amended to include declaring the Kubota Tractor surplus so that it could be used as a trade-in. Bradford agreed with the amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Parlontieri that the excess funds in the budget for both the Public Works Department Truck and the Tractor for the Recreation Department be transferred to the reserve fund. Motion was seconded by Brooks. Motion carried unanimously.

2-91-6 Bid for Rockaway Road Bridge Repairs

City Manager Basinger explained that the City recently learned that it owned one-half of the bridge crossing Line Creek on Rockaway Road with Coweta County owning the remaining portion. The City and Coweta County were recently advised by the State DOT that the bridge was structurally unsafe and the Mayor issued an executive order, with the concurrence of Coweta County, closing the bridge to all traffic until it had been repaired.

Basinger reported that DOT had met with the City Engineer and the Engineer for Coweta County and an agreement had been reached for temporary repairs to the bridge that should last for three to five years. Each jurisdiction had agreed to pay for their portion of the repairs. This would allow the bridge to be reopened to vehicles weighing no more than three tons.

Basinger reported that specifications were prepared and bids were solicited for the repairs to the city portion of the bridge and two bids were received. They were:

1.	H. Bishop Enterprises	$21,900
2.	Tanner Contracting	$45,520

Basinger explained that staff recommended awarding the bid to the low bidder, H. Bishop Enterprises for $21,900 and that the bridge be limited to use by vehicles weighing three tons or less. He stated that once the temporary repairs are in place the plan was to approach DOT, with Coweta County, and request assistance in replacing the bridge. The cost for that is estimated to be $500,000.

Basinger asked that staff's recommendation be approved to award the bid to H. Bishop Enterprises and that funds be allocated from the unappropriated funds in the Public Improvement Program.

Mayor Brown concurred with the statements of the City Manager in that he and others met with representatives of Coweta County and they all agreed with the temporary repairs with the idea of approaching the State DOT for assistance in permanent repairs.

Council had questions pertaining to the liabilitgy of the city if the repairs were not adequate or if something perhaps went wrong with the work done by the contractor. They asked if he would warranty his work.

Mr. Bishop explained that his work would be done in accordance with DOT specifications and they would inspect it before the bridge was reopnend. It was his opinion that the City would not be responsible if the repairs were not adequate, however, he did speak as an authority on the subject. Mr. Bishop would not offer a warranty or guarantee.

City Engineer Amos explained that any contractor authorized by the City to perform work was expected to following the standards and specifications set out for him to do the work. It had been his experience that anytime there was a problem in workmanship, at least during the first year, the contractor had always returned and corrected the problem. He would expect that to be true in this case.

Jim Savage asked when the work was expectead to be completed and Basinger stated that the contract called for thirty days. Mr. Bishbop asked that the contract call for thirty working days because of the potential problem with the creek rising in the event of a large rain.

Motion was made by Parlontieri that the contract be awarded to H. Bishop Enterprises as recommended by the City Manager with funding as requested. Motion was seconded by Bradford. Motion carried unanimously.

2-91-7 Placement of U.S. Flags on Pedestrian Bridge

City Manager Basinger explained that in conjunction with the parade and rally on February 16th the City planned to place a large U.S. Flag on each side of the pedestrian bridge. He explained that funds could be found in the City Hall budget to pay for these flags but Council approval was needed to locate the flags on the bridge.

Brooks stated that the Peachtree City Optimist Club would like to donate the flags for this special event.

Motion was made by Brooks that Council authorize the placement of the flags on the bridge for the duration of the war. Motion seconded by McMenamin. Mayor Brown complimented the Optimist Club for their offer of purchasing the flags. McMenamin thanked the newspapers for their support of the troops with their positive coverage of stories. Motion carried unanimously.

2-91-8 Airport Resolution

Mayor Brown presented a Resolution for consideration stating the Council's objection to the possibility of a second major airport being located in the Fayette County area. He explained that Site #6, one of the proposed sites being considered , emcompassed Fayette, Coweta, Henry and Spalding Counties and he felt it would be devastating to the way of life in Peachtree City and Fayette County if that site were selected. He read the Resolution and asked that it be adopted and forwarded to the appropriate agencies considering the sites.

Motion was made by Mayor Brown that the Resolution be adopted. Motion was seconded by Bradford. Mayor Brown called for discussion and Brooks commented that he supported the Resolution but wondered about the propriety of addressing the other counties involved. Mayor Brown acknowledged the concern and he shared that concern but he didn't know how to address site selection #6, which was the one under discussion, without involving the other counties. Parlontieri also expressed concerns about adopting the Resolution without consulting the other counties and Mayor Brown stated that the Resolution would not preclude other counties from fighting for the airport if they wanted to do so. After further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

2-91-9 Impact Fees for Recreation

Mr. Bob Adams, Developer of the Fairways Subdivision, addressed the Council regarding recreation fees in lieu of land which the developers must pay prior to receiving final plat approval. He asked that the ordinance be changed to collect those fees either at the time a building permit is issued for individual lots or at occupancy permit time. He thought it was being handled that way in the Kedron Village Development.

Mayor Brown explained that the Recreation Fee collection was being handled the same way citywide but that development fees in Kedron Village were being collected at occupancy permit time. He explained that the Recreation fee was in lieu of donated land so if land was given there would be no fee. The Mayor explained that before making an ordinance change he would want to obtain input from the builders. Mr. Adams thanked the Council for their consideration of his request.

Mayor Brown closed the item with the understanding that the other builders would be contacted prior to making any determination regarding a change in the ordinance.

There being no further business to come before the Council a motion was made by Mayor Brown that the meeting be recessed to be reconvened in executive session to discuss pending lawsuits of Black, Simon/Justice, Strickland and Kelly and to discuss a real estate item. Motion was seconded by Bradford. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

Simon/Justice Lawsuit
Motion was made by Mayor Brown that the settlement offer be declined. Motion seconded by Parlontieri. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mayor Brown and seconded by Parlontieri that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Frances Meaders
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Director of Administrative Services

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Mayor