

**MINUTES OF MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF PEACHTREE CITY
January 7, 1993**

The City Council of Peachtree City met in regular session on Thursday Night January 7, 1993 at 7:00 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Lenox led those present in the pledge of allegiance. Present were Mayor Robert L. Lenox, Councilmembers Annie McMenamin, Edward Bradford, Robert Brooks and Caroline Price.

Mayor Lenox administered the oath of office to Annie McMenamin, Council Post 1, and Edward Bradford, Council Post 2 for their term beginning January 7, 1993 and ending December 31, 1995.

McMenamin made a motion that Robert Brooks be nominated as Mayor Pro-tem for 1993. Bradford seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Lenox administered the oath of office to Councilman Brooks.

There were no items added to the agenda.

Announcements, Awards, Special Recognitions

Mayor Lenox announced that anyone wishing to speak to the issues go to one of the microphones provided and state his or her name and address for the record.

Mayor Lenox presented the award for the "Employee of the Year" for 1992 to Harvey Garcia, Public Works Department.

Mayor Lenox presented the award for the "Supervisor of the Year" for 1992 to Ronald Davenport, Public Works Department.

Mayor Lenox recognized Charles Sibley, Building Official, for receiving his commercial electrical certification and recognized Rick Phillips, Building Inspector, for receiving his residential electrical certification.

Mayor Lenox stated that the City had implemented a Continuous Improvement Program in January of 1992 as a means of improving service quality and employee morale by involving all levels of City employees in identifying and resolving problems in their work areas and suggesting ways to improve their department's performance. Lenox stated that a Quality Improvement Team, made up of a member from each service area, was formed and the teams had identified areas of needed improvement and worked to ensure that improvement was made. Mayor Lenox stated that the program would be ongoing and was fully supported by the elected officials and management personnel. Mayor Lenox asked the following team members to come forward and re recognized: Angie Stevens (Chairman) Administrative Services; Cheryl Rogers, Communications; Leigh Ann Tucker,

Developmental Services; Mark Lamons, Fire Department; Mary Haas, Library; Phil Bowen, Parks; Rich Jenkins, Police Department; Ronald Davenport, Public Works; Nancy Brown, Recreation. Mayor Lenox gave a brief synopsis of targets that each department had met and thanked all the team members for their work.

Mayor Lenox introduced Ms. Sherry Reavis and stated that Ms. Reavis had been hired as the new Recreation Administrator for the City.

Department Reports

Mayor Lenox announced that Department Reports were available for review at City Hall.

Minutes

McMenamin made a motion that the minutes of the December 3, 1992 Council meeting be approved as presented. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Agenda Items

12-92-9 Kedron Fire Station Architect Proposals

City Manager Basinger stated that staff had recently contacted the architectural firm of Leo A. Daly for a price proposal on preparing plans and specifications for the Kedron Fire Station. Basinger stated that the firm was contacted because it had designed Weber Station and that design for the station was intended to be a prototype for all future fire stations. Basinger explained that the proposal requested was to include modifying the existing plans to reflect new Fire Department needs, new site considerations, new building code requirements, and to meet requirements for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) specifications.

Basinger reported that Leo A. Daly had submitted a proposal which totaled \$12,400 for designing the new station and that the actual design cost for Weber Station had been \$19,965, which was a savings of \$7,565 made possible by the use of the prototype design. Basinger stated that Staff recommended that the firm of Leo A. Daly be awarded the design contract in the amount of \$12,400. Staff also recommended the contract include an allowance of \$500 for a survey and \$2,000 for necessary geotechnical work. Basinger stated that the 1993 Public Improvement Program allocated \$20,000 for the work. Basinger stated that Mr. Leo Daly and Chief Reed were present to answer any questions.

Price stated that it was wise to use a prototype design and made a motion to award the bid of \$14,900 to the architectural firm of Leo A. Daly. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

New Agenda Items

1-93-1 Authorization and Appointment of
City Officials and Positions

City Attorney

Mayor Lenox made a motion to reappoint the firm of McGinn, Webb and Warner as City Attorney. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Court Judge

Mayor Lenox made a motion to reappoint A. Mitchell Powell as Municipal Court Judge. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Lenox stated that Mr. Powell had done a superb job as municipal court judge. McMenamin and Brooks agreed with Mayor Lenox.

Judge Pro Hac

McMenamin made a motion to reappoint Ms. Sharon I. Pierce as Judge Pro Hac. Bradford seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

City Auditor

Price made a motion to reappoint the firm of Price and Geeslin as City Auditor. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk

McMenamin made a motion to reappoint Frances Meaders as City Clerk of Peachtree City. Bradford seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

City Depository

Price made a motion to reappoint Peachtree National Bank as City Depository. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Legal Organ

McMenamin made a motion to reappoint This Week in Peachtree City as Legal Organ. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Landscape Architect

Price made a motion to reappoint Bill Lincicome as City Landscape Architect. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

1-93-2 Indemnification Resolution

City Manager Basinger stated that the resolution prepared for indemnifying elected officials, City employees and appointed officials was done as in years past, but that one sentence had been added stating that the indemnification should not apply to those individuals who acted oppressively, maliciously, corruptly, or without authority of law as defined under O.C.G.A. 36-33-4. Another change was exempting Authority members from the indemnification. Basinger read the resolution for the benefit of the public and stated that Staff recommended that Council approve the resolution. McMenamin made a motion to approve the indemnification resolution. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

1-93-3 Fire Department Part Time EMT positions

City Manager Basinger stated that Council had before them a letter from Chief Reed about the EMS staffing and that it was jointly operated and manned by City paid Paramedics and EMT's and volunteer Paramedics and EMT's. Basinger reported that the City operated three ambulances that were usually dispatched with two paid employees on board, however there were ten shifts per month when one of the three ambulances might be dispatched with one paid employee on board and the second person, a volunteer or off duty paid employee, dispatched directly to the scene in a private vehicle to work the call. Basinger explained that the City has been operating in that manner with the approval of the State EMS service since 1987, however the Quality Assurance Committee of Region Four had recommended that the City consider manning all ambulances with two personnel on board when responding to a call. Basinger stated that the committee felt that in some cases the amount of time on the scene could be reduced by ensuring that all units were dispatched with two personnel on board. Basinger reported that the committee has said that they expect the State, in the near future, to make it a requirement that all ambulances be manned by two personnel. Basinger stated that Peachtree City did have a good EMS team and that the average response time to a scene in 1992 was three minutes fifty-two seconds.

Basinger stated that the EMS Staff felt that Peachtree City should comply with the recommendations of the Quality Assurance Committee and dispatch all ambulances with two personnel on board and Basinger stated that it would require coverage of ten additional shifts per month. Chief Reed has proposed to cover the ten shifts through a pool of part time paramedics and EMT's, which would be state certified. Basinger reported that staff estimated the annual cost for the ten shifts per month to be approximately \$23,000 to be covered by deferring the purchase of a copy machine and several new radios until later in the year. Chief Reed felt he might be able to handle the expense in the current budget but if there should be a budget shortfall, funds should be available from the Neely Station Training Room, or from the Kedron Village Fire

Station. Basinger stated that staff recommended Council approval for the use of part time employees to cover the ten shifts and that Chief Reed and Lieutenant Shelton were present to answer any questions Council might have.

Mayor Lenox asked if it was a viable solution for the future to use part time employees. Basinger stated that staff felt it would be a permanent solution unless at some time in the future additional ambulances were used, but that Staff did not anticipate using more than three ambulances regardless of how many stations might be built. Basinger stated that it would be more cost effective to use part time employees rather than paying overtime when there was personnel out sick. Price asked how many hours per shift would be considered part time. Basinger stated that they would be working twenty-four hour shifts and that the number of shifts worked could vary depending on the availability of employees. McMenamin asked the Chief if there were many qualified people willing to work part time. Chief Reed stated that there were many qualified people wishing to work part time since most EMS departments worked a twenty-four hour shift on with forty-eight off. Reed stated that many of our personnel had second jobs as did personnel in other areas. McMenamin asked if it would be an immediate hiring, so the City would not find itself in a situation where we would only have half part time and realize we need full time employees. Reed stated that Staff did not anticipate that problem, that they felt it was a very viable solution. Bradford stated that he was concerned with the radios that would not be purchased and asked what they were to be used for. Reed stated that the radios were to be used for the training officer vehicle, which had been delayed until the 1994 budget, so that the radios did not need to be purchased this year. Price asked that Chief Reed report back to Council in six months on the progress of the part time employees. Brooks made a motion to approve the shifting of funds to be used for hiring seven part time employees. McMenamin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

1-93-4 Nature Preserve Update

Mayor Lenox asked Councilmember Caroline Price to give an update on the status of the Nature Preserve. Price stated that the City had accepted a donation of 500 acres from Peachtree City Development Corporation (PCDC) for a Nature Preserve. Price stated that a non-profit group had been working to become incorporated to oversee the operation of the preserve which would belong to the City. Price stated that the name of the non-profit organization would be the Southern Conservation Trust, Inc. and that the organization had applied to the State for incorporation and found that no other group was using the name, but that since "Trust" was included in the name, the group had applied to the Department of Bank and Finance to gain approval to use "Trust" in the name. Price stated that approval had been obtained and that the group would continue toward incorporating as a non-profit organization and had filed with the IRS 501C for a non-profit status.

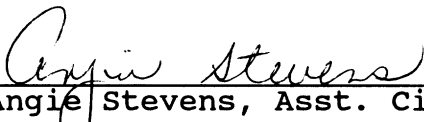
Price went on to say that Jerry Peterson, PCDC, had a contractor ready to construct the boardwalk and that it was hoped that the first phase of the boardwalk could be started sometime in January. Price stated that the committee had been working with Dr. Forbes, Chairman of the Southeast Conservation Trust, and that he had shared a sample lease agreement between Fulton County and a non-profit group for a nature preserve in that County. Price reported that both PCDC and Fayette County were donating funds. Mayor Lenox asked the amount of the funds. Price stated that the County was donating \$140,000 and PCDC was donating \$60,000. Mayor Lenox asked when the Southern Conservation Trust would be able to enter into a lease agreement with the City. Price stated that she hoped it would be within the next two weeks. Mayor Lenox asked if a temporary trust would need to be set up with Dr. Forbes. Price stated that she did not believe it would be necessary.

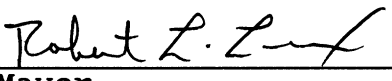
Mayor Lenox stated that a lease with the non-profit organization would protect the City and instructed Staff and the City Attorney to have a lease drafted for the January 21st Council meeting.

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 to discuss a legal matter. Price 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. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30.


Angie Stevens, Asst. City Clerk



Mayor

Attest:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF PEACHTREE CITY
REGARDING POTENTIAL LIABILITY
OF CITY ELECTED OFFICIALS,
APPOINTED OFFICIALS, AND EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, the City of Peachtree City is a municipal corporation duly chartered and incorporated by the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, as a result of certain decisions by State and Federal Courts, elected and appointed officials and employees of the City may be subject to suits seeking to hold those persons personally liable for damages; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it to be in the best interest of the City to indemnify, defend and protect City elected and appointed officials and employees from all liability,

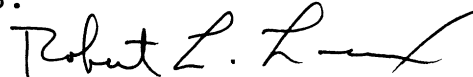
IT IS THEREFORE, RESOLVED THAT:

The City of Peachtree City shall indemnify, defend and pay any and all judgements rendered against any City elected official or appointed official (with exception of officials of authorities) or employee for any and all suits brought against them for any acts or omissions performed or neglected to be performed by them in the course of their employment, or association with the City. This indemnification shall not apply to those individuals who acted oppressively, maliciously, corruptly, or without authority of law as defined under O.C.G.A. 36-33-4.

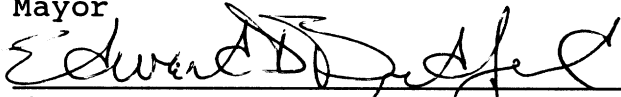
This resolution shall remain in full force and effect until such time as it may be amended or repealed by a subsequent resolution of the City Council.

SO RESOLVED, in open session assembled pursuant to law.

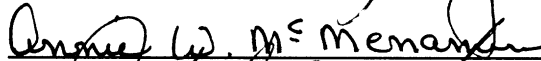
This 7th day of January, 1993.



Mayor



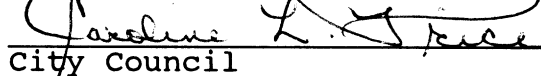
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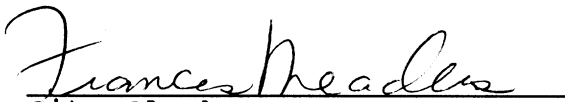
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City Council



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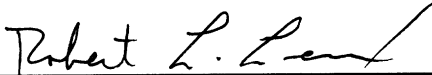
Attest:

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FAYETTE
CITY OF PEACHTREE CITY

I, ROBERT S. BROOKS, do solemnly swear that I will truly
honestly, and faithfully discharge the duties of **Mayor Pro Tem** of
Peachtree City to the best of my ability without fear, favor or
partiality, so help me God.


Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before
me in open meeting this
7th day of January, 1993.


Signature

Mayor
Title

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FAYETTE
CITY OF PEACHTREE CITY

I, Edward D. Bradford, do solemnly swear that I will truly honestly, and faithfully discharge the duties of **Council Post 2 of Peachtree City** to the best of my ability without fear, favor or partiality, so help me God.

Edward D. Bradford
Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before
me in open meeting this
7th day of January, 1993.

Robert L. Lusk
Signature

Mayor
Title

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FAYETTE
CITY OF PEACHTREE CITY

I, Annie W. McMenamin, do solemnly swear that I will truly
honestly, and faithfully discharge the duties of **Council Post 1**
of **Peachtree City** to the best of my ability without fear, favor or
partiality, so help me God.

Annie W. McMenamin
Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before
me in open meeting this
7th day of January, 1993.

Robert L. Leach
Signature

Mayor
Title