

CITY COUNCIL OF PEACHTREE CITY

Minutes of Meeting

October 3, 1996

7:00 p. m.

The City Council of Peachtree City met in regular session on Thursday, October 3, 1996, at 7:00 p. m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Lenox led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance. Present were: Councilmembers Annie McMenamin, Caroline Price, Bob Brooks, and Jim Pace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, AWARDS, SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mayor presented Proclamation to the Mental Illness Awareness Month.

Mayor presented Proclamation for Neely Fire Station's 30th Birthday.

Mayor presented award to Planning Commission member Joe Alfano.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additional agenda items.

MINUTES

McMenamin made a motion to approve the September 19, 1996 minutes as presented. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Lenox abstained because he was not present at the September 19 Council meeting.

OLD AGENDA ITEMS

There were no old agenda items.

NEW AGENDA ITEMS

10-96-01 Set 1996 Millage Rate

Basinger addressed Council and stated that staff had received the 1996 digest and it totaled \$773,912,053 which was a 10.22 percent increase in the digest based on growth and the reassessment of property values. Basinger advised that growth accounted for 53.80 percent of the increase and reassessment accounted for 46.20 percent.

Basinger that in order to compensate city residents for the increase in monthly telephone bills for the last six months of the past fiscal year and due to the county-wide consolidation of communications, council reduced the millage by .13 mills in 1995. Further, to compensate residents for the full 12 months, this fiscal year, staff recommended reducing the millage from its current level of 4.18 mills to 4.06 mills for a reduction of .12 mills.

Based on a 4.06 millage rate, the digest would generate \$3,142,085 in tax revenue, which was \$73,862 above the budgeted amount of \$3,068,223. Basinger said staff recommended this small surplus be placed in the Council Contingency Fund and that State law did require that property taxes be reduced or rolled back by the millage equivalent to the amount of the Local Option Sales Taxes projected to be collected. This equated to a rollback of 4.16 mills.

In summary, staff recommended a net millage rate of 4.06 mills - a rollback of 4.16 mills for a gross millage rate of 8.22 mills.

Lenox said he wanted to take the opportunity to point out the city's tax rate of 4.06 mills as applied to a \$200,000 home in Peachtree City, meant the city received \$324.00 per year in property taxes which amounted to \$27.00 per month. Lenox said that the \$27.00 per month provided fire protection, police protection, EMS services, recreational services, building inspection services, library, and all the other facilities Peachtree City provided. Lenox congratulated city staff for doing a good job in delivering a lot of services in a financially sound manner.

Price agreed with Lenox and said she thought a very thorough job had been done thanks to the Financial staff and made a motion to approve the millage rate of 4.06 mills net with a rollback of 4.16 mills for a gross millage rate of 8.22 mills and that the \$73,862 overage be placed in the Council Contingency Fund. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

10-96-02 FY 97 Street Resurfacing Program

Basinger addressed Council and stated that bids had been solicited from paving contractors for the street resurfacing program and that two bids had been received. Couch, Inc. of Peachtree City (for the city-funded streets) bid \$157,016.25; APAC-Georgia, Inc. of Atlanta bid \$175,947.50. For the LARP-funded streets (funds received from DOT), Couch bid \$67,760.50 and APAC bid \$83,957.00.

Basinger said staff recommended that the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Couch, Inc. of Peachtree City, for \$224,776.75 for the combination of Base Bid I and Base Bid II and that sufficient funds were available in the 1997 Public Improvement Program for this street repair project.

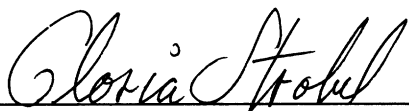
Lenox explained that the city used a national rating system whereby streets were scored every year and each street was graded, estimated as to what it would take to repair it, and repairs were made as far as the funds would allow.

Price made a motion approve the city-funded streets and LARP-funded street's bids to Couch, Inc. in the amount of \$224,766.75 and that the funds be taken from the budgeted funds. Brooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

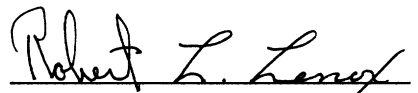
Lenox made a motion to take a brief recess and reconvene in Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken in Executive Session. Price made a motion to adjourn. Pace seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.



Gloria Strobel, Executive Secretary

Attest: 

Mayor