

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
CITY OF BAINBRIDGE, GEORGIA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2008
6:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: MAYOR MARK HARRELL, PRESIDING

ALDERMEN: ROSALYN PALMER, GREG WADDELL, JOE SWEET, EDWARD
REYNOLDS, LUTHER H. CONYERS, JR., AND DR.DEAN BURKE

OTHERS: CITY MANAGER CHRIS HOBBY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT BETH
CREW

GUESTS: PAM IMMENDORF, BOB IMMENDORF, MATT REYNOLDS, BETH
ECK, ARLENE COWDEN, BARBARA MOATS, THEA BOYD, L.
WIDNER, JENNIFER HOBGOOD, ECHO GATES, KERI REYNOLDS,
TAMARA HADEN, JENNY HERRING, J.S. WILKINSON, VIRGINIA
KITCHINGS

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. After the call to order, Alderman Conyers gave the invocation and all those assembled pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR SESSIONS
JUNE 3, 2008 & JUNE 17, 2008**

Upon motion by Alderman Burke, seconded by Alderman Waddell, and carried in a 6-0 decision, the Council approved the minutes of the June 3, 2008 and June 17, 2008 sessions.

**RECOGNITION OF SCHEDULED GUESTS-BAINBRIDGE-DECATUR COUNTY
HUMANE SOCIETY**

Representatives of the Bainbridge-Decatur County Humane Society, including Mrs. Pam Immendorf, Ms. Jennifer Hobgood and Mr. Matt Reynolds, appeared before the Mayor and City Council to provide an update on the activities of the Humane Society and to explain the current financial condition of the Humane Society. It was explained that the society is currently facing a serious budget deficit and appeals were made to the council for additional funding. Mayor Harrell thanked the Humane Society and its membership for the job they perform in service to the community. Mayor Harrell indicated that city staff is currently involved in budget review and that the city will do what it can to be of assistance.

RECOGNITION OF SCHEDULED GUESTS-ECHO GATES, GENESIS GROUP

Ms. Echo Gates, P.E, of the Genesis Group, appeared before the Mayor and City Council to provide an update on the progress being made with the design of the new athletic complex on Cox Avenue. Ms. Gates indicated that an initial construction estimate of \$2,346,939.07 had been prepared and submitted to city staff for review. Ms. Gates further reported that City Manager Hobby had requested that further analysis be completed on the drainage of the site with the goal

being to avoid the necessity of purchasing additional property in order to complete the project as originally conceptualized.

STREET CLOSURE-DAN KUCERA

Mr. Dan Kucera submitted a request for street closure of Water Street from Clay Street to Broad Street from 6 to 9 p.m. on the evening of Friday, August 8, 2008. In a letter filed with the city Mr. Kucera indicated the purpose of the closure was to accommodate a block party in celebration of Glen Cook's soccer scholarship to Andrew College and Mr. Kucera's 40th birthday. Mayor Pro Tem Palmer expressed concern for closing streets within the Central Business District for this type request and suggested that Mr. Kucera might be better served by utilizing a city park or other facility for the purpose of this celebration. Alderman Conyers expressed similar concerns to those raised by Mrs. Palmer. Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Palmer, seconded by Alderman Reynolds, the council in a 6-0 decision voted to deny the street closure application submitted by Mr. Kucera.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT-SPLOST V

City Manager Hobby reported that the city had received the proposed intergovernmental agreement between the city and Decatur County to govern the disbursement and expenditure of proceeds from the Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax-V which will be considered by voters in September. Mr. Hobby indicated that the agreement had only been received this day and neither city staff nor the city attorney had adequate time to review the proposal. Mr. Hobby suggested to the council that a prudent course of action would be to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement upon review and approval by City Attorney Conger. Upon Motion by

Alderman Conyers, seconded by Alderman Reynolds, the council in a 6-0 decision authorized the Mayor to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Decatur County Board of Commissioners upon satisfactory review by the city attorney.

JULY 4TH FESTITIVITIES ANNOUNCEMENT

City Manager Hobby reported to the Mayor and City Council that the featured performer for the city's July 4th celebration, Keith Anderson, had been forced to cancel his appearance due to the death of his mother.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Harrell offered congratulatory remarks to Alderman Conyers for his recent induction into the Georgia Municipal Association Government Hall of Fame. Alderman Conyers thanked the mayor and city council for his nomination and indicated that he was greatly humbled by this honor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Bids:

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| 1. NEALS MEASUREMENT SERVICE
PELAHATCHIE, MS.
TURBINE METER | \$5,265.02 |
| 2. SOUTHEASTERN EQUIPMENT
BUFORD, GA.
PARTS FOR GRINDER | \$5,155.40 |
| 3. TRISTATE OFFICE PRODUCTS
BAINBRIDGE, GA.
OFFICE FURNITURE | \$9,247.00 |

Bills:

1. GENESIS GROUP TALLAHASSE, FL. INVOICE #: 45450 INVOICE #: 45458	\$5,924.86 \$3,277.22
2. GEORGIA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION ATLANTA, GA. INVOICE#: 111818 & 112402 2007-AUDITED ANNUAL PREMIUM	\$8,080.00
3. INLAND OIL & LP BAINBRIDGE, GA. UNLEADED GASOLINE	\$5,767.29
4. OXFORD CONSTRUCTION COMPANY ALBANY, GA. MILLING FOR COLLEGE & PLANTER STREET	\$6,545.00
5. OXFORD CONSTRUCTION COMPANY ALBANY, GA. ASPHALT FOR COLLEGE & PLANTER STREET	\$24,102.60

Mayor Harrell requested that bill number 3 from Inland Oil and LP be pulled due to his family relationship with principals of this company.

Upon motion by Alderman Reynolds, seconded by Alderman Waddell, the council in a 6-0 decision voted to accept the bids and pay the bills with the exception of bill number three.

Mayor Harrell excused himself from the council chambers, passing the gavel to Mayor Pro Tem Palmer. Upon Mayor Harrell's departure Mayor Pro Tem Palmer took the chair and asked for a motion regarding bill number three. Upon motion by Alderman Conyers, seconded by Alderman Sweet, the council in a 6-0 decision authorized the payment of bill number three.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Palmer adjourned the meeting.

BY: _____
MARK HARRELL, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
BETH CREW, ACTING CITY CLERK