

MINUTES
MAYOR AND COUNCIL CALLED MEETING
February 18, 2010

The Mayor and Council of the City of Franklin, Georgia, met in regular session Thursday, February 18, 2010 in the Council Room of City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Chapman presiding.

Mayor Chapman called the meeting to order. Councilman Hamil gave the invocation followed by Councilman Almond leading in the pledge to the flag.

Councilman Adams asked if the agenda needed to be amended. Bids for the shop clean up and the handicap ramp were advertised as due on February 28 instead of February 21. Mayor Chapman said a mistake had been made but she placed these on the agenda because there was a new development on the clean up.

- I. Water Authority - Mayor Chapman told the council the previous council had voted to spend money on Water Authority projects. They agreed to spend \$125,000.00 on a lift station on Patterson Drive and \$37,500.00 on a lift station on Highway 34. Invoices totaling \$23,155.00 have been submitted for the Patterson Drive project. Councilman Adams asked where the money was coming from. The bills will be paid from SPLOST funds. He said the amount voted on was just an estimation. The City might not collect the million dollars that were budgeted. He was against giving the Water Authority one million dollars until it had been collected. City Attorney Dock Davis explained the city would not give them the money. It must be spent on water and sewer projects approved by the city. The city would be paying the invoices on approved projects. Councilman Hamil said if the city has collected the money, he didn't see a problem with paying the bill. Councilman Almond stated he was on the council when they voted to give the money to the Water Authority. He said water and sewer lines are not up to date and they will need to be in order for business and industry to come to the city. He said water should be the city's number one project. Councilman Rogers made a motion, seconded by Councilman Manders, to approve payment of the invoices. Councilmen Almond, Hamil, Manders and Rogers voted in favor of the motion. Councilman Adams opposed the motion.

- II. Newnan Street - Street Supervisor Alan Holcomb told the council Bidder had submitted two bids. Bid number one was for patching and paving and bid number two was to dig up the street, put in a new base and then pave.
 - A. Cato Contracting
 - a. Bid #1 \$70,651.00
 - b. Bid #2 \$67,250.00
 - B. Bobby Reid Paving
 - a. Bid #1 \$60,856.81
 - b. Bid #2 \$92,458.24
 - C. Heard County Poured Foundations
Bid is for a concrete road with new curb and gutter
\$80,480.00

The council discussed the merits of asphalt versus concrete. Mr. Ethridge told the council he could begin work the following Wednesday and the job should be completed in thirty to forty-five days. He would work in sections so the entire street would not be blocked. The concrete would need two to three days to cure in the cooler weather. Councilman Hami made a motion,

seconded by Councilman Almond to use Heard County Poured Foundations. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Chapman asked if the bids included the two hundred feet of road that had been paved by the D.O.T. She was told in did not. The council discussed the matter and decided they wanted the entire road to be paved with concrete and the additional two feet will be discussed at the next meeting.

III. Handicap Ramp - Postponed until March

IV. Clean up at City Shop - Councilman Manders told the council he had called the E.P.D. and the City has been given a thirty-day extension on the clean up. Additionally, there is 60/90 day rule on the mulch. The city can give it away but they are required to give away sixty percent of it every ninety days. The mulch needs to be contained and on a concrete slab. The city will need to document they are giving it away. He also asked the council to consider allowing the shop workers to haul off the debris and save the city money. Councilman Hamil said the ditch is so deep the city does not have the necessary equipment to do the job. Bids will be opened at the regular meeting in March.

Councilman Almond made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hamil, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Teresa Chapman, Mayor

Members Present:

Shane Manders, Post #1
Willie Almond, Post #2
Joel Rogers, Post #3
Johnny Adams, Post #4
Jimmy Hamil, Post #5

Clerks Present:

Myra C. Braswell

Employees Present:

Alan Holcomb, Street Supervisor
Kevin Hannah, Chief of Police