

CITY OF ELBERTON
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELBERTON MAYOR & COUNCIL

Monday, March 1, 2010 – 5:30 p.m.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof the Organizational and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council convened at 5:30 p. m. on Monday, March 1, 2010 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 203 Elbert Street with Mayor Guest presiding.

Present were: Council Members Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Seymour, and Paul; City Attorney Phelps, City Manager Dunn and City Clerk Churney.

Mayor Guest called the meeting to order. Mayor Pro tem Seymour led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and Council Member Paul led in prayer.

Mayor Guest informed the assembly of the passing of Council Member Paul's grandmother's and former Bowman Mayor Roberta Rice's father.

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2010 Work Session and February 1, 2010 Regular Meeting as submitted, seconded by Mayor Pro tem Seymour.

Controller Kevin Eavenson presented the Financial Report through January 2010 with the following net assets:

General Fund	\$ 4.3 million
Combined Utilities Fund	\$ 21.3 million
Elberton Technology Services Fund	\$ 1.8 million net loss
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 216,966
Unrestricted Investments-General Fund and Utility Fund	\$ 3.4 million
Restricted Investments (SPLOST & Utility Funds)	\$ 86,634

There were no scheduled speakers from the floor.

Council Member Paul introduced the following Resolution:

Resolution
Preserve America Community Designation

WHEREAS, *Preserve America* is a White House initiative developed in cooperation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the U.S. Department of the Interior, and the U.S. Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the goals of this initiative include a greater shared knowledge about our Nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving

the country's irreplaceable cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of communities; and

WHEREAS, this initiative is compatible with our community's interests and goals related to historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, designation as a *Preserve America* Community will improve our community's ability to protect and promote its historical resources.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Elberton will apply for the designation of Elberton as a *Preserve America* Community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Elberton will protect and celebrate our heritage, use our historic assets for economic development and community revitalization, and encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs.

City Manager Dunn read the Resolution in its entirety. Mayor Pro tem Seymour motioned to adopt the Resolution as read, seconded by Council Member Paul and the motion passed unanimously.

Council discussed purchasing an emergency weather siren. City Manager Dunn recommended purchasing a Siren model 20V1T, 3 phase AC powered, not installed (no backup power) in the amount of \$13,171.42. He stated that Elbert County is considering ordering one as well and moving the existing siren to Doves Creek Elementary School area. Council Member Butler motioned to authorize the purchase of one siren contingent on the Elbert County Board of Commissioners purchasing one as well, seconded by Council Member Paul and the motion passed unanimously. City Manager Dunn recommended installing the siren in-house rather than paying the additional costs to have it installed.

Council Member Butler motioned to approve the consent agenda as submitted, seconded by Mayor Pro tem Seymour and the motion passed unanimously.

1. Approved expenditures that exceed the City Manager's purchasing authority as follows:

Elberton Utilities – Electric Division

32 Dual voltage Transformers for the next section of the 4 kV to 12 kV conversion project

• Soloman Corporation	Recommended	\$11,343.00
• Southeastern Transformer Company		\$17,257.00
• Florida Transformer Inc.		\$26,662.00

Recommendation based on low bidder

2. Approved dues, travel and training for all city departments as follows:

Police

Nancy Littleton

Court Clerk's Training in Tifton, GA

June 16

Registration: \$150.00 Lodging: \$125.00

3. **Authorized the issuance of an Alcoholic Beverage License to Mr. Lliyas Ghanchi of the Corner Store / Sahjanandji, Inc. located at 202 Elbert Street.**
4. **Authorized the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Elbert County for the GIS Project and License with ESRI.**

City Manager Dunn presented the following reports:

- **Report of Expenditures reportable under Sect. 2-173 and Sect. 2-177.**
- **The planning session will be March 19-20.**
- **A bid opening was held for the water main replacement project. Precision Planning is reviewing the bids.**
- **The city was selected to receive stimulus funds later this year through Electric Cities of Georgia for renewal energy installation.**
- **Monthly reports on the activities of various Departments**

Matters to be considered by Council. Council Member Colquitt inquired about the city's recycling. Council agreed to discuss the city's recycling further at the planning session later this month. Mayor Guest updated Council with regard to the House Bill pertaining to pole attachment fees.

There being no further business to come before Council, upon proper motion and second the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk