

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING – CAIRO MAYOR & COUNCIL – NOVEMBER 16, 2009

The November 16, 2009 Special Called Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Room at City Hall with Mayor Pro Tem Ernest W. Cloud, Jr. presiding. Present were Kermit V. Gilliard, Jr., Robert L. Gwaltney, and Lannis Thornton. Council Member James H. Douglas and Mayor Richard VanLandingham were unable to attend the meeting due to prior commitments. Staff Members in attendance were City Manager Chris Addleton and City Clerk Carolyn Lee. Cairo Messenger Editor, Randy Wind, was also in attendance.

INVOCATION – Mayor Pro Tem Cloud gave the Invocation.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Setting of Final 2009 Ad Valorem Tax Millage Rate. After review, motion was made by Councilman Gwaltney to set the final 2009 millage rate at 12.62 mills with a sales tax roll-back of 5.13 mills, resulting in a net rate of 7.49 mills. Motion was seconded by Councilman Thornton and passed unanimously by all Council Members present.

Introduction of Tax Ordinance for the Year 2009. The ordinance to set the 2009 tax millage rate was introduced and will be considered for adoption on November 23, 2009.

Award of Bid for Approximately 36,000 Gallons of LP Gas at Peak Shaving Plant. City Manager Addleton advised that there had been only one bid received. It was from Plantation of Thomasville for \$.89 per gallon for the gas only. There was no interest shown in the plant or equipment, but other avenues would be considered for disposal of those items. Since the plant was no longer needed, and removal of the gas at the site would eliminate the maintenance and repair costs required by the PSC or the State Fire Marshall, it was recommended that the bid be awarded to the sole bidder. After discussion, motion was made by Councilman Thornton to award the bid to Plantation of Thomasville at \$.89 per gallon, seconded by Councilman Gilliard, and passed unanimously by all Council Members present.

SPECIAL EVENT:

Request from United Way of Grady County for a 5K Run Fundraiser to be held on November 21, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Mr. Scott Higginbotham was present regarding the event and requested that the Council consider waiving the \$25.00 application fee. He also stated that they would provide sufficient volunteers so that police officers would not be needed. After discussion, motion was made by Councilman Thornton to approve the request, seconded by Councilman Gilliard, and passed unanimously by all Council Members present.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

ERNEST W. CLOUD, JR.
MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

CAROLYN B. LEE, CITY CLERK