

A meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, February 20, 1974, at 8 p.m. at City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, meek, Preston, and Shaffer.

Absent were: Alderman Casey.

The reading of the last minutes was suspended. There were no corrections to the minutes; minutes stand as are.

Mayor White read the appointment for the various committees.

Ways and Means Committee -

Alderman Larosa - chairman
Alderman Shaffer
Alderman Jernigan

Police, Public Safety, and Traffic Committee (covers police, fire, & safety)

Alderman Avant - chairman
Alderman Meek
Alderman Casey
Alderman Preston
Alderman Jernigan

Engrossed Bills and Official Bonds, Ordinances, and Rules Committee -

Alderman Shaffer - chairman
Alderman Preston
Alderman Larosa

Sanitation Committee -

Alderman Dangerfield - chairman
Alderman Avant
Alderman Jernigan
Alderman Meek
Alderman Casey

Playground Committee -

Alderman Preston
Alderman Dangerfield

The Playground Commission will consist of 7 people - Alderman Preston and Dangerfield who will then pick the other 5 members along with Mr. Cook.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that Council confirm Mayor White's appointments.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted on:

Alderman Avant - in favor
Alderman Dangerfield - in favor
Alderman Jernigan - in favor
Alderman Larosa - in favor

Alderman Meek - in favor
Alderman Preston - in favor
Alderman Shaffer - in favor

The first meeting of the new Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, February 13, 1974, at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that Mr. Sottile, the originator of the Council's prayer, lead the Council in prayer. Mr. Sottile said the prayer.

Mrs. Passailaigue called the roll. Present were Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Meek, Preston, and Shaffer. Absent were Aldermen Larosa and Attorney Kelly.

Mayor White asked Mr. Cable and Mr. Walter to sit at the council table if they would like to.

Mayor White reported that council had a letter from Susan O'Brien requesting that a spokesman for several residents be placed on the agenda.

Mrs. O'Brien introduced Mr. Sidney Boone, the spokesman for the group.

Mr. Boone said he was asked to speak on behalf of the citizens of the Isle of Palms concerning the tennis courts that had recently been constructed. This group had requested to be placed on this meeting. The purpose of the request was to present to Council a petition that had been drawn up and to express the concern over the tennis courts - they are not properly constructed in that they do not drain properly, the paint is peeling up, and the concrete is chipping. This group wants everything to be out in the open on any further discussion regarding the tennis courts and request the new Council put off any discussion or vote regarding the disbursement of the remaining funds until they request an inspection by an outside agent and let him inspect the courts and give his view and recommendations and then draw the recommendations up and make them public. Also, they would like the councilmen themselves to inspect the courts and then notify the residents when a discussion or any meeting is held to discuss the tennis courts.

Mayor White said they would take this under advisement until they see fit and would contact them if they take any action.

Alderman Shaffer moved that the mayor accept the request from the party and appoint a committee from Council to investigate the tennis courts.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion.

Alderman Jernigan asked if it was open for comments and if maybe one of the aldermen be asked to retire to another room since he was the contractor.

Alderman Shaffer replied that the man is also a member of Council and is entitled to be present.

Alderman Avant recommended that they curtail the discussion to another meeting.

Mayor White felt he should appoint a committee to study the tennis courts, and at the next meeting they could bring it up for discussion.

Alderman Meek said the motion was for the naming of the committee.

Mayor White took a vote on the committee being named, then waiting for their advisement. All voted aye with the exception of Alderman Avant who withdrew from voting.

Alderman Casey asked if Council had adopted the rules of procedure that the last Council used.

Mayor White replied no.

Mrs. Passailaigue read the minutes from the last Council meeting of January 9, 1974.

Mr. Cable stated that he chaired the committee that inspected the tennis courts and he has a complete report that will be available to the new committee.

Mayor White named the new committee to study the tennis courts. There are: Alderman Jernigan; Alderman Meek; and Alderman Shaffer.

Alderman Shaffer stated that as soon as possible Council should adopt the rules of Council and begin the process of setting up the committees and commissions.

Mayor White suggested that Council meet next Wednesday, February 20th at 8 o'clock to discuss the rules and the committees.

Alderman Shaffer moved the meeting be adjourned.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, February 27, 1974, at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, Shaffer, and Attorney Guerard.

Absent was: Alderman Casey.

Mayor White asked if there were any corrections on the minutes of the previous meeting.

Alderman Shaffer was confused about the Board of Adjustment and Appeals. A statement was made that Mr. Schad, the building inspector, was automatically a member. Alderman Shaffer does not believe that this is stated in the ordinance book. He wanted to know if Mr. Schad is automatically a member or an ex officio member with five members in addition to him. Alderman Shaffer asked Mr. Schad if he had been serving on the board as one of the five members and not just because he was the building inspector.

Mr. Schad replied that he had been on the board for years. He always appeared at the meetings before he was a member and only two would show; so he asked to be put on the board so they could have a quorum.

Alderman Shaffer felt it would be more appropriate to have five members aside from the building inspector. He said there would be cases where the building inspector would have to testify pro and con about a given situation and he thinks it would make it difficult for Mr. Schad to sit as a member and judge as a member.

Mr. Schad said he confines his action by the existing laws; also he has an opinion as a citizen and that's what he exercises on the board.

Alderman Shaffer said it might be well to have five members on the board and the building inspector. The ordinance does not say that the building inspector is automatically a member, but that was the statement that Mrs. Passailaigue had made.

Mrs. Passailaigue said she knew that Mr. Schad always came in on the meetings because he knew what they were talking about.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that they have five members, but questioned the building inspector being one of the five members. The building inspector should be called to give testimony before the board.

Mayor White said the proper thing is to have five members for voting, but have Mr. Schad there for decisions on the cases. He felt it would be advisable to have another man nominated on the board.

Alderman Jernigan said that Mr. Schad should be present at all meetings but he could be put in an awkward position in making his decision professionally and then having to vote.

Mayor White said that if they have the five men that would leave Mr. Schad in the clear, but he could still voice his opinion to the Board.

Alderman Shaffer said they had talked about a similar situation - the idea of having the playground director a member of the commission. That would be like working for yourself.

Alderman Preston stated that Mr. Schad said the real problem was not enough people come to the meetings. Her opinion was if the people you appoint aren't interested, then they can find someone else to replace them.

Mayor White said that if this happens to occur then Mr. Schad should let council know and they will see that these people get replaced.

Alderman Meek asked who was on the Board.

Mayor White replied that Will Walter, Russell Friar, Robert Fugate, Joe Thornton, and Harry Schad are on the Board.

Alderman Dangerfield nominated George Chaconas, who was on the Board in the past, to serve on the new Board.

Alderman Larosa asked Mr. Schad if Mr. Chaconas attended the Board meetings.

Mr. Schad replied that Mr. Chaconas attended the meetings, and that he was the chairman.

Mayor White asked if Mr. Fugate attended the meetings regularly.

Mr. Schad replied yes.

Alderman Shaffer did not know who Russell Friar was.

Mayor White said that Russell Friar left the island and went to Florence, and then came back to the island. He now works for HUD.

Alderman Jernigan asked Mayor White if any of the members could be replaced when the Mayor show fit, since they were appointed by him.

Mayor White answered that they could possible be replaced, if they were not active.

Alderman Shaffer asked if the other four men on the Board of Adjustment and Appeals had been notified to serve.

Mrs. Passailaigue replied yes, and that the Board has a meeting Friday night.

Alderman Avant seconded Alderman Dangerfield's motion to nominate George Chaconas.

Alderman Jernigan said that Maj. Morse Updegrave is concerned about the city and could be depended on for good judgement.

Alderman Shaffer asked Alderman Jernigan if he was suggesting Mr. Updegrave instead of George Chaconas.

Alderman Jernigan replied no.

Alderman Shaffer said he was glad that Alderman Jernigan brought up Mr. Updegrave's name because he would be a good man to consider on some other committee.

Mayor White asked for a vote on George Chaconas.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White asked Mr. Schad to explain his proposed ordinance concerning the building permits.

Mr. Schad explained that the change raises the rates for the building permits and also raises the compensation for the building inspector. It is in the direct variance with the credited instructions in the Southern Standard Building Code in that the valuation that is printed in the book of our Code of Laws provides for a fee of \$1.00 a thousand up to \$15,000 and in our book it provides for additive fees of \$15.00 for permits from \$1,000 to \$15,000, which is unfair to the man building a \$2,000 building and having to pay \$15.00. The proposed legislation remedies it and eliminates a lot of paragraphs which seem to be to the benefits of millionaires and bring it down to a simple statement of \$2.00 a thousand.

Alderman Avant asked Mr. Schad if he was talking about \$2.00 a thousand regardless if it was a \$20,000 or \$3,000 job.

Mr. Schad replied yes.

Alderman Shaffer said the old building ordinance was voted in ten or twelve years ago and the logic behind the so-called income of \$1.00 a thousand for \$15,000 or less; or \$15.00 for \$15,000 or less, but \$1.00 a thousand thereafter was to provide the bases of \$15.00 to cover the cost of the inspection fees, now it is suggesting there be charges of \$5.00 per inspection.

Mr. Schad said the \$2.00 a thousand is revenue for the city.

Alderman Shaffer said that when the first ordinance was made there was no intent to get revenue for the city; just the matter of covering the cost of the program.

Mr. Schad said that Sullivan's Island charges \$2.00 a thousand and Mt. Pleasant charges a \$1.00 up to \$15,000, but has add ons.

Alderman Shaffer asked if there was any merits to give a man a break when he gets on up in the money. For example; if a man was to build an \$80,000 house he would be charged \$160.000 plus \$15.00 equaling \$175.00 for a building permit. Alderman Shaffer said the original intent was to provide an inspection which would not cost the city anything. Council could look at it from the standpoint as an opportunity to make money for the city, but it tends to get absorbent as it gets up the line. Why should a contractor have to pay \$175.00 to build an \$80.00 house when he would only have to pay half of that if he built an \$40,000. In terms of inspections it doesn't require twice the inspection.

Mr. Schad said that it does not require twice the inspection, but it is a bigger house and takes more work and more inspections.

Alderman Shaffer said if someone has a construction job costing \$2,000, they will have to pay \$4.00 under the proposed building code.

Mr. Schad said it will cost the \$4.00, then you add on the required inspection fee.

Alderman Shaffer said it still requires the same amount of paper work and number of inspections involved as it would on a \$20,000 house.

Mr. Schad said there would be only one inspection, making the fee \$9.00.

Alderman Shaffer though you had basically the same number of inspections on a big job as on a small job.

Mr. Schad replied no; that the schedule of inspections are provided in the Southern Standard Building Code book on new houses, but on repair and additions you can't see what's going on unless you look at it more than once.

Alderman Shaffer agreed that you would have to look at the places more than once.

Mr. Schad said he looks at all of the houses on the Island once a week, some, twice a week.

Alderman Shaffer asked Mr. Schad when he looks at the houses does he consider that an inspection and would the contractor be charged a fee.

Mr. Schad answered no.

Alderman Shaffer asked if the contractor would know beforehand how many inspections he will be required to pay for.

Mr. Schad said that new houses usually have three inspections, but if it is a huge house there are a couple more inspections.

Alderman Shaffer asked if that is spelled out so the man will know what he has to pay beforehand.

Mr. Schad replied yes, when he gets the permit.

Alderman Shaffer asked if it was a big house would the contractor be charged five inspections, at the beginning, if it is a \$100,000 house is he going to have to pay \$200 plus the inspections.

Mr. Schad said that a new house there is no special inspection fee, just the \$2.00 a thousand. The inspection fee is just on repairs and additions.

Alderman Shaffer stated that is not the the way the proposed ordinance reads.

Mr. Schad said it is impossible to put it here, because it is already in the Southern Standard Building Code which is our law. They are changing what's already an ordinance - the Isle of Palms Code of Laws.

Alderman Shaffer said the proposed ordinance does not say that a new construction requires three inspections and in case of renovation, inspection fees are not charged

Mr. Schad replied that the other doesn't say it either.

Alderman Shaffer asked Mr. Schad if he didn't think they ought to spell it out in the ordinance if that is the rule.

Mr. Schad answered no; that in the Southern Standard Building Code it explains the inspections. The law printed in the Isle of Palms books modifies the Southern Standard Building Code and the proposed ordinance modifies the Isle of Palms Code and the Southern Standard Building Code.

Alderman Shaffer asked Mrs. Passailaigue what the building inspector presently gets paid for inspections.

Mrs. Passailaigue replied that he gets \$3.00 for an inspection and three inspections for a new house.

Alderman Avant said the only thing he saw wrong with the proposed ordinance was there should be some notation of how many inspections is required for \$1,000.

Alderman Shaffer said that this is covered in another section and that higher price houses require more inspections.

Alderman Shaffer said that according to the proposed ordinance on a new house they will pay the \$2.00 a thousand, plus \$5.00 for each inspection. He suggested they just charge \$2.00 a thousand to cover the inspection and not say anything about the inspections.

Mr. Schad said that in the case of a new house all the applicant pays is the \$2.00 a thousand.

Alderman Shaffer said that is not the way the proposed ordinance reads.

Mayor White said another part would have to be added to the ordinance to make it read the way Mr. Schad was talking about.

Alderman Jernigan asked if it was in order to have a committee to review the proposed ordinance with Mr. Schad.

Mr. Schad said he was trying to correct where the fee is \$15.00 for the valuation that exceeds \$1,500, but doesn't exceed \$15,000 and also eliminates the million dollar paragraph and have just a flat fee for everything of \$2.00 a thousand.

Alderman Shaffer said that if they treat the fee for new houses and repairs differently, then they will need another paragraph.

Mr. Schad said that on repairs you don't need three inspections, it depends on the repair how many inspections are needed.

Alderman Shaffer said the only way to make the proposed ordinance make any sense was to have two paragraphs: new construction \$2.00 a thousand; and renovations \$2.00 a thousand plus \$5.00 for each inspection.

Alderman Jernigan moved that they put the proposed ordinance off for the night and refer it to Ways and Means to work with Mr. Schad on the ordinance.

Alderman Larosa needed to know whether they all agreed in principle on what Mr. Schad was trying to arrive at before it was referred to Ways and Means.

Alderman Jernigan said he didn't believe that anyone disagreed that Mr. Schad should get \$5.00 for an inspection, but it should be spelled out in the ordinance how many inspections and how the fee is based on repairs and renovations.

Alderman Avant made a motion that they table the ordinance at the present and turn it over to the Way and Means Committee to come back with another ordinance for further consideration before it is signed into law.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant said there should be some limitation; there should be something stating in the code how many inspections will be required per dollar of construction.

Alderman Shaffer said Mr. Schad's concern was that the permits be constructed so the city wouldn't lose any money on any one deal. He said if the city sets equitable charges based on the cost and have an on going program the city will come out in the black.

Alderman Meek asked how the city came out in the past on overall inspections.

Mrs. Passailaigue said overall the city did alright. Mr. Schad always put the fee down so that the city would have a little more money. Sometimes someone comes in for a \$750 job, but does \$1,200 worth of work. When this is done Mr. Schad finds it out on the second inspection.

Alderman Avant thought there should be some sworn affidavit stating that the contractor is binding to a certain amount of money when he does a job, and if he does more work than the amount stated he should be liable for a fine.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that the proposed ordinance needed to be clarified.

Alderman Shaffer asked if Council wanted to pass the ordinance onto the contractor in terms of doubling the fees so the city can make an additional profit.

Alderman Avant said he understands the county comes in and takes the forms the contractors fill out, then the county reappraises the house. He wanted to know if the city takes the county's appraisals.

Mrs. Passailaigue said the only thing the city gets is the tax based on the end of the year.

Alderman Jernigan asked if the county prints out the city's taxes.

Mrs. Passailaigue answered yes.

Mayor White stated that the city's taxes are based on the county's appraisal.

Alderman Avant believed that before the city adopts the new city ordinance pertaining to the building permit fee that there should be a lots of other things added into it.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Sanitation, Streets and Lights Committee met to discuss Mr. Branca's letter on the islands in Forest Trail. The committee recommended that the city council write a letter to the Beach Company and ask that they clean up the islands in Forest Trail; because the city does not have the authority to do so, they are not city, state, or county roads, and in the past the city wrote letters to the Beach Company.

Alderman Larosa said that a school bus parks in one island, cars park in the islands, and children play in the islands. He also stated that there is a hump in the street at one place where you can't see the children on the other side until you get over the hump; and at Cross Lane cars do not stop - there is no stop signs.

Mayor White said he didn't think there was a sign of any kind at either of the intersections and it would be wise to have a stop sign or yield sign put up at both intersections.

Alderman Shaffer asked about the school bus and the basketball goals in the islands.

Alderman Larosa said that the rear end of the bus sticks out in the road.

Mayor White said that could be changed; particularly where the bus sticks out and interferes with the traffic. He also said that there are several basketball goals in the islands and the people play in the streets.

Alderman Preston said one of the suggestions was to eliminate the islands completely, that would eliminate the play areas.

Mayor White said that the islands are not the city's property.

Alderman Dangerfield said the property belongs to Mr. Long and the state nor county will come in; the streets are not properly drained, not wide enough, and trees are not suppose to be in the streets.

Mr. Parrish told Alderman Dangerfield that if the Beach Company didn't clean up the island, then he could have his men clean them.

Alderman Shaffer asked if the streets had been clearly designated as public right-of-ways.

Alderman Dangerfield answered no; he could not find where the streets were accepted in the City Hall, they belong to Mr. Long and in the past the Beach Company took care of the islands. The new Forest Trail has state roads.

Alderman Avant made a motion that council send the Beach Company a letter asking that they clean up the islands in Forest Trail, and a copy of the letter to go to Mr. Branca.

Alderman Larosa seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Sanitation Committee met with Mr. Parrish and he told them that one of the garbage truck's two back doors have been bent for the past year and a half. They have been welded three times and can't be welded again. It will cost around \$750 for the new doors. Also a chipper has been bought. It chips up the leaves and limbs and throws them into the back of the trash truck, but the trash truck only goes so high and does not have a top. It will cost \$375 to enclose the truck. The Sanitation Committee recommended they spend \$750 to fix the doors on the garbage truck and \$375 to enclose the trash truck so the chipper can be used. Alderman Dangerfield said the new doors cost \$535.20 if ordered from Columbia and between \$150 and \$200 for labor at the Southern Welding Company in Charleston.

Mayor White asked what type of top did they have in mind to use on the trash truck.

Alderman Avant said Mr. Parrish wanted some type of siding and covering that was portable. They would have to come up four feet behind the cab and eight feet on the sides, and with a cover. Alderman Avant said he and a welder had figured it would cost \$375 to do the job, excluding installing the hitch.

Mayor White asked if the chipper was pulled at the back of the truck.

Alderman Avant replied that the chipper is pulled at the back of the truck and stays connected while it is in use.

Mayor White asked if the chipper had ever been used.

Alderman Avant replied no.

Alderman Meek said Mr. Parrish told them that the chipper's load equalled about three and a half loads of unchipped leaves and limbs.

Mayor White asked how could the men handle the top of it was built out of metal.

Alderman Avant said it would be in four pieces, have steel reinforcement, hinges for breaking it down, and plywood for sides and top.

Alderman Shaffer wanted to know why couldn't they use a tarpaulin on the truck like it is.

Alderman Dangerfield said they wouldn't be able to use the chipper with a tarpaulin cover, the chippings would blow all over the truck; the chippings need something to hit against.

Mayor White stated it needed something to turn the chippings back down into the truck.

Alderman Avant said if they used just a tarpaulin the chippings would tear it up because of the force.

Alderman Dangerfield said that with the siding they could carry more and could also use the truck as a spare garbage truck.

Alderman Jernigan felt it would be well worth the money.

Alderman Avant said that these two items were figured in the sanitation's budget.

Alderman Avant made a motion to spend \$750.05 to replace the doors on the rear of the packer and also recommended to fix the trash truck so the chipper can be used.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion.

Mayor White stated that the money can be taken out of Revenue Sharing for these two items.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that he and Alderman Preston had come up with five names for the Playground Commission:

- Lester Weed (Buzzy)
- Hal Boykin
- Johnny Moyer
- Mrs. Roy Leopold
- Mrs. George Farmer

Alderman Preston said that they got the impression that new ideas and faces were needed in the Commission. They tried to represent as many ages and organizations as possible. They have two ladies - one from the Ladies Auxiliary, and one from the Booster Club; and one young person.

Alderman Dangerfield said they did not designate the women because of the clubs, but because they would be good on the commission, and Hal Boykin has asked to be on the Playground Commission.

Alderman Larosa said that Mr. Boykin was a terrific person, but he didn't know if his news assignments would interfere with his availability for the commission meeting.

Alderman Avant stated that in a conversation it was stated that Mr. Boykin was away from home working most of the time.

Alderman Preston thought that Mr. Boykin has specifically asked to be on the Commission.

Alderman Shaffer felt they should pick someone that they knew something about.

Alderman Avant said that he worked with Mr. Weed on the Playground Commission before, and he would recommend Mr. Weed, and Johnny Moyer who is very dedicated to the Island, and Mrs. Leopold who is very dedicated to the Booster Club and the playground, and also Mrs. Farmer; but not Mr. Boykin. Alderman Avant asked for another nomination in place of Mr. Boykin.

Alderman Dangerfield suggested Bruce Young, who is the treasurer of the Exchange Club. He is married, young, and goes to the playground. Alderman Dangerfield said

he had asked Charlie Eisenhower, but he declined.

Alderman Meek stated that Bruce Young is very interested in the young people.

Alderman Avant recommended Mrs. James Black.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Mrs. Balck's name was brought up, but she was not picked.

Mayor White suggested that the Playground Commiysion wait and discuss the names.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that council accept the five names:

Lester Weed
Johnny Moya
Mrs. Farmer
Mrs. Leopold
Bruce Young

Alderman Dangerfield seconded the motion.

Attorney Guerard pointed out that it would be better if a person on the committee didn't second a motion that was made on his committee.

Alderman Shaffer said it was the Mayor's place to make the appointments and the council's place to confirm them.

Mayor White nominated the five people that the playground committee submitted:

Lester Weed
Johnny Moya
Mrs. Farmer
Mrs. Leopold
Bruce Young

Alderman Shaffer moved that council approve the Mayor's appointment to the Playground Commission.

Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the city had received a letter from Mr. James Hill of 8-52nd Avenue about two lots next to him that need cleaning off. He reported that the Sanitation Committee agreed to send letters to W.R. Hill and W.C. Mathis, owners of the lots, asking them to clean up the lots in thirty days and if they don't clean the lots then the city will take bids and clean the lots and send the bill to the owners.

Alderman Meek stated that the city has been using this procedure for years.

Alderman Jernigan moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Alderman Dangerfield seconded the motion.

MeetiRg adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
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Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, March 13, 1974, at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, Shaffer, and Attorney Guerard.

Mayor White introduced Mrs. Mathis of the Garden Club.

Mrs. Mathis stated that Mr. Parrish had given the Garden Club twelve barrels that they will paint and put on the front beach. Mrs. Mathis explained that there has been three collection days of glass and paper. The first collection they collected 1,660 pounds of paper, the next collection day they collected 1,600 pounds, and the third collection they collected 1,810 pounds.

Alderman Shaffer said that around the corner from where he lives, at the boat landing, there is a trash can that has not been emptied for sometime and he wondered if Mr. Parrish knew it was there.

Mrs. Mathis said that there is also a trash can at the boat landing on 41st Avenue and the City does not service it.

The minutes to the council meeting of February 27th stand as read.

Alderman Larosa had a report from the Ways and Means Committee concerning the proposed ordinance to amend the building permits. Alderman Larosa made a motion that the sections in question in Chapter 7 remain as they are; that there be no change.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Alderman Shaffer said the intention is not to take any action at the present time, but to consider further the real need and other possible changes in the way of amending the Southern Building Code ordinance.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa stated that the Ways and Means Committee recommends that the fee of the building inspector be increase to \$5.00 for each official inspection; instead of \$3.00 per inspection that he has been paid - effective immediately upon the approval of council.

Alderman Avant seconded it.

Passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant reported that the Police Committee had a meeting and Chief Strobel reported that he is short one full-time policeman and would like the approval of council to hire Buddy Mathewes as a full-time policeman. Mr. Mathewes has been filling in as a part-time policeman. Alderman Avant moved that Mr. Mathewes be hired as a full-time policeman with a policeman's salary.

Mayor White asked if any type of investigation had been made on Mr. Mathewes in regards to him being hired as a policeman.

Alderman Avant said that Mrs. Mathewes was discussed in general conversation, but as far as checking or investigating him, they have not.

Alderman Casey said that as a member of the Police Committee he would like to know more about Mr. Mathewes.

Mayor White felt an investigation should be made before a man is made a policeman, because it will reflect on the City.

Alderman Shaffer moved that there be an investigation on Mr. Mathewes.

Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that Mr. Weed, Mrs. Leopold, and Mrs. Farmer had accepted to serve on the Playground Commission. Alderman Dangerfield made a motion that Bill Feserman and Wilma Guthrie be placed on the Playground Commission.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield made a motion that Johnny Moyer be hired as Assistant Director, since Kim Coburn resigned.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield explained that the playground is short on practice fields and they have talked to the Beach Company and they have agreed to lease the land next to the Red and White to be used as a practice field. Alderman Dangerfield said he is now look into how they can get clay for the field.

Alderman Shaffer asked how much the lease was for.

Alderman Dangerfield answered \$1.00.

Mayor White asked Attorney Guerard to study the lease.

Alderman Dangerfield said there have been calls about the trash on the beach and that Mr. Parrish will have his men clean the beach.

Alderman Larosa said that the Ways and Means Committee have received all the budgets from the department and are hard at work trying to come up with a budget.

Alderman Larosa gave the following department's budgets:

General Governemnt	\$32,331.00
Playground	22,530.00
Sanitation	69,358.14
Streets & Street Lights	9,500.00
Fire Department	30,963.00
Police Department	<u>64,626.53</u>

GRAND TOTAL	\$229,308.67
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Alderman Larosa said the total income for the year 1973 was \$193,694.94.

Mrs. Passailaigue stated that some of the budgets had been added wrong, and she came up with the grand total of \$228,301.31.

Mayor White stated the city had received the audit and arrangements will be made for the auditor to explain the audit to the council.

Alderman Preston asked if the city was going ahead with another auditor.

Mayor White said they would wait and see what council thinks. The auditor did a very indept audit.

Attorney Guerard stated that the lease appeared to be in order; there is a general clause which says the city will be responsible to obtain insurance to cover any damage or injury suffered during the lease term. Attorney Guerard said that basically the city is not meanable to suit, but many cities do maintain a low limit liability policy to protect citizens in events of direct negligence acts of the city.

Mayor White said he will have Mrs. Passailaigue check what type of insurance the playground has.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that council approve to execute the lease.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Casey asked about the city having to pay the city and county taxes on the property.

Attorney Guerard said the city can be tax exempted.

Alderman Shaffer asked Alderman Dangerfield if they plan to make much improvements on the land.

Alderman Dangerfield said the land is going to be used for a practice field so they will need clay. In the past the city has gotten the clay free from the county, but now it look like the city will have to pay for the clay. Alderman Dangerfield said that a backstop will also be needed.

Attorney Guerard said that Mrs. Passailaigue had brought up a point about the description of the lease land. The adjoining area is shown as being part of the shopping center complex, so the safest thing to do will be to contact the auditor's office and make sure the city does not run into any tax problems as far as exemptions; since it is shown as one continuous piece of property.

Mayor White said they could table the motion until they check into the land.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion to amend his first motion - that they be authorized to negotiate the lease upon the successful negotiation of the tax question.

Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White had a letter from Mr. Dunkelberg, Engineer, Customer Service of the S.C. Electric and Gas Company in reference to four lights in Forest Trail - two on 41st Avenue, one on Sparrow Lane, and one on Duck Lane. They want to use underground wiring. Mayor White said that this was brought before council in 1973. Mayor White read the letter of April 6, 1973 from Mr. Dunkelberg asking approval of the layout and authorization to install the lights. Mayor White then read the section of the minutes of May 23, 1973 where Alderman Thornton reported it was Streets and Lights Committee recommendation that the City not pay for the underground wiring in Forest Trail 4, 5, and 6 and suggested the plans be turned over to the developer. Mayor White asked for suggestions what to do with the four lights.

Alderman Casey asked how well the areas were served by lights now.

Mayor White said there are no lights on 41st Avenue.

Alderman Shaffer said the problem is not if the lights are needed, but if they should be wired underground.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that the lights be referred to Streets and Street Lights Committee.

Mayor White stated the city has a bill from Carl R. Dickert Company, Inc. for two 90-S stainless steel Indian fire pumps with number 147, adjustable nozzles for \$138.69, and a bill for \$330.20 for tires for the police cars, and a bill of \$1,934.40 for radios in the police car. The original bill on the radios was made in October 1972, but the contract was not fulfilled until 1973 and the bill was never paid. Mayor White asked for permission to pay these bills with the Revenue Sharing money.

Alderman Meek made a motion to pay the bills.

Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White said that the city had been notified by the County that the City owes

Mr. Long \$809.05 for overpayment of taxes. Mr. Matthews said there was no hurry in paying the \$809.05.

Alderman Casey asked what Mr. Long was charged.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that Mr. Long was first charged \$1,562 and then it was cut down to \$752.

Alderman Avant asked if the six members for the City Planning Committee had been elected.

Mayor White answered no.

Alderman Avant asked if the Board of Fire Masters and the Civil Defense Board had been notified.

Mayor White answered yes.

Alderman Preston asked if there was suppose to be a Board of Health.

Mayor White answered yes, but he has put it off at the time until they can find someone.

Alderman Preston asked if anyone had contacted someone from the Charleston Planning Committee about coming and talking to the council.

Alderman Larosa said he was unable to get in touch with Mr. Puch, because he has been out of town.

Alderman Casey asked if the councilmen could receive a copy of all the committees and commissions after they have all been selected.

Mayor White said yes.

Alderman Larosa requested that after the meeting the Ways & Means Committee stay and Alderman Avant and Alderman Dangerfield stay so they can discuss their individual budget of their committees.

Alderman moved that they adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk-Treasurer

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular monthly meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held March 27, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, Shaffer, and Attorney Guerard.

The minutes to the last council meeting stand as are.

Mayor White read the letter from the Michie Company concerning the ordinances sent to them for codification.

Attorney Guerard said the first batch of material they could not find any enactment to make it an ordinance, so it is not an ordinance of the city; and the eleven ordinances listed needed to be considered.

Alderman Shaffer said they will have to take the ordinances one at a time to study and research them and then bring them to council to see if they should stand as they are and if not they will have to take formal action to amend or replace the ordinances. But until such time they will have to operate on the premises that the ordinances have been adopted and have to follow them until they are changed.

Mayor White said they will leave the ordinances as they are until the Board of Engrossed Bills gets a change to examine them.

Mayor White read a letter written to Mr. Clyde Dangerfield from the S.C. State Highway Department concerning getting money from the state for beach erosion.

Alderman Shaffer wanted to know if the rest of council agreed with the approach they plan to use concerning the codification of the ordinances.

Everyone was in favor of the approach they plan to use.

Mayor White asked Alderman Larosa to explain the proposed budget for 1974.

Alderman Larosa said that Ways & Means felt the proposed budget is realistic and possible without raising taxes. They have included in the income the Revenue Sharing money that is on hand and the payment due in April and July. Ways & Means recommended to council that they accept the proposed budget and that the various departments make every effort to stay within the proposed budget.

Alderman Larosa moved that the proposed budget for 1974 be accepted as presented.

Mayor White read the total of the budgets for each department.

General Government	\$31,707	Fire Department	\$28,327
Police Department	59,645	Streets & Lights	9,500
Sanitation Dept.	68,677	Municipal Court	600
Playground Dept.	19,877	Building Inspector	2,000

The grand total of all departments equal \$220,333.

Alderman Preston seconded Alderman Larosa's motion.

Alderman Dangerfield asked about the gas for the playground department - if a check was to be written each month for gas or the gas taken out of the city pump.

Alderman Shaffer answered they were to get a check for the gas.

Alderman Casey asked if Mr. Cook had to submit milage for the \$10 worth of gas.

Alderman Dangerfield answered no.

Motion to approve the budget was voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa said he was to have a meeting with Mr. Pugh on Friday, March 29th; also Mr. Pugh said he could meet with council Wednesday, April 10th. Alderman Larosa said the Isle of Palms is authorized a seat on the Regional Planning Commission which is made up of 50 members, 67% of whom must be elected officials. The Regional Planning Commission is made up of members from communities of 1,000 or more from the three county area and it began 1968. Alderman Larosa said no members from the Isle of Palms has ever attended the meetings, but the seat is still open. The existing council may be revised in the near future.

Alderman Larosa said the Isle of Palms has been approved for flood insurance, however, the city is passed the deadline for submitting a revised application which was due November 23, 1973. The new flood control law has passed the House and is going before the Congress and unless the revised application is in and the city is approved, the city could find it difficulty or refusal for water, sewage development, and banks would not have the authorization to issue loans or mortgages.

Alderman Larosa asked Mrs. Passailaigue if she knew about the revised application blank.

Mrs. Passailaigue answered no; but Mr. Thornton did receive some papers but he didn't open them until after election. Most of the flood insurance material went straight to Mr. Thornton; but the city sent to Washington our ordinance on flood insurance and they must have accepted it because we have not heard from them.

Alderman Meek made a motion that Ways and Means have the authority to go ahead and file the flood insurance application if it is urgent and if it is not urgent they could bring them back to council.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer recommended that Mayor White appoint Alderman Larosa to the Regional Planning Council.

Alderman Casey seconded the recommendation.

Passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield asked if he could go ahead and sign the lease on the lot for the playground.

Attorney Guerard said he has not yet talked to the tax exempt board. He said the application for exemption has to be made before February 28th, so we can't qualify for the tax exemption this year. One problem is having to put a new plot on the record in order to get a proration on the taxes. Mrs. Kearney at the Beach Company was opposed to putting a separate plot on the record showing this was a separate tract from the shopping center. He said the city can submit a proposal as to the proration. The assessment for the land in proportion to the total assessment is about one third. The city will be leasing about one half of the acreage from the Beach Company. The total tax of the building and acreage is \$1,200, so they are talking about one sixth of the total tax - about \$200 of the county tax that the city would reimburse the Beach Company and wave the city tax by one sixth.

Attorney Guerard said he has requested tax exemption applications forms, but to apply after February 28th, there is a \$100 penalty. He said it might be best to get the matter resolved now and send the \$100, so next year all the city will have to do is submit the renewal application.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that council authorize the mayor to go ahead and sign the lease to the Beach Company under the stipulation the city pays the Beach Company our prorated share of the county tax, or if successful in getting the tax exemption to pay the \$100 fee.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Passed unanimously.

Alderman Preston asked when the playground would start using the land.

Alderman Dangerfield said they would use the land as soon as the lease was signed.

Mrs. Passailaigue said the land was covered by liability insurance.

Alderman Shaffer said that Mr. Ed Owens explained to him that Mrs. Passailaigue had asked that this land be added to the city's general liability coverage, which Mr. Owens said the city does not have any general liability coverage.

Alderman Shaffer recommended the city acquire a maximum limit policy on the premises owned or leased by the city.

Mayor White said this should be done.

Alderman Shaffer said there will be a problem to get someone to write the policy for the city. He moved that Ways and Means have several insurance agencies give a package quote on all of the exposes the city has, so they can compare it to what the city has.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield said that the county is going to give the playground some clay and the Isle of Palms Exchange is going to build the backstop.

Mayor White asked if there was any cost in getting the clay.

Alderman Dangerfield said that all it cost was the gas, but the gas was donated by Suburban Gas.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Playground Commission had met and they have elected a chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary. He said the next week they will come up with some guide lines.

Chairman - Alderman Dangerfield
Vice-chairman - Alderman Preston
Secretary - Mrs. George Farmer

Alderman Dangerfield said the Booster Club asked if there was any way for them to take the city parking lot and let some of them charge 25¢ or 50¢ and use the money for the playground.

Mayor White said that there had been some other talk about using the parking lot to off set the beach patrol.

Alderman Shaffer said that this was up to the beach patrol committee.

Mayor White asked Attorney Guerard if they allowed someone to take over the parking lot, which is leased to the city, to make money would it be a violation of the lease.

Attorney Guerard answered that this would jeopardize the tax exemption on the land.

Alderman Shaffer said when he was talking about the lifeguards, he was not talking about using the parking lot.

Alderman Shaffer said the city restricts public parking over the island and for the exchange there is a public parking lot, so he could not see letting the playground charge for parking on the lot.

Alderman Preston stated that this was not intended to be a city or commission project.

Alderman Casey asked if the people were allowed to park on one side of the side streets.

Mayor White said that some of the streets have been set up with no parking on one side and anywhere that is not marked and you are clear of the street the parking is lawful.

Attorney Guerard asked how had the beach patrol formally been financed.

Mayor White replied out of the general budget.

Attorney Guerard said that if the lifeguards are paid by the city, they need to be added to the liability insurance.

All were in favor of leaving the parking lot as it is.

Alderman Avant wanted to know who asked the question about the Booster Club using the parking lot.

Alderman Dangerfield said that it was Mrs. Farmer or Mrs. Leopold.

Alderman Avant said that he was on the board of directors of the Booster Club and he hadn't heard anything about it.

Alderman Casey was in favor of generating some revenue from the people that come and enjoy the beach, but he didn't know of a way this could be done.

Alderman Shaffer said they get the money through the taxes from the people that operate the businesses.

Alderman Preston asked how far was the litter law enforced.

Mayor White said he didn't know how they do it now.

Alderman Casey said that last year the lifeguards were authorized to inform the people of the litter law and call the police if they didn't conform, and the police also patrolled the beach.

Alderman Avant read a letter from the Volunteer Fire Department asking council to look into obtaining the EMS on the Isle of Palms. Alderman Avant understands that the Isle of Palms is a very likable place to have the EMS stationed and thinks the only thing they require is the lodging for two men around the clock.

Mayor White said he had talked to one of the men that will be stationed on the Isle of Palms or Sullivan's Island and they require just a place to stay. It would necessitate the building of a place for the men to stay at the cost of the city. The truck should be under a shed, but the first year they might get by without a shed.

Alderman Shaffer said that before council made a decision on the EMS they need to know exactly what the requirements are and what they will need and then evaluate what it will cost the city to provide it.

Alderman Shaffer recommended they refer the EMS to the Public Safety Committee and let them come back to council with a recommendation.

Alderman Avant seconded it.

Passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant said he has seen the EMS work and they are good.

Mayor White agreed they were good, but the questions are how much can the city afford and how much the city can afford to be without it.

Alderman Avant thinks the only thing it would cost the city would be just for the housing.

Alderman Shaffer asked if they had any suggestions where they might be housed.

Alderman Avant said they plan to propose to council they renovate the back portion of the police station.

Mayor White said they had talked to him about taking the third stall next to the police department and blocking it in.

Alderman Preston asked if the city had the EMS on the island would there be any need for the city to continue to operate the crash wagon.

Mayor White replied no; once the EMS is in operation the city can't use the crash wagon for emergencies; only for routine calls.

Alderman Preston asked if they could do away with the crash wagon then.

Mayor White answered yes.

Mayor White said the request must come from the island to have the EMS stationed on the island.

Mayor White reported that they have some bills that total \$5,458 that have accumulated since the first of the year. This includes one bill from Gulf Stream to the sanitation department which covers April to October of 1973 totaling \$777 and also includes the auditor's bill.

Alderman Jernigan stated that the auditor's bill should be questioned.

Alderman Shaffer moved that with the exception of the auditor's bill they pay all the bills.

Alderman Dangerfield seconded it.

Passed unanimously.

Mayor White said that last year the city paid the auditor around \$5,900 and North Charleston paid around \$2,800 and Mt. Pleasant around \$1,500.

Alderman Jernigan said it would be a good idea to get two CPAs to estimate what they would charge.

Alderman Shaffer said that Ways and Means agreed they would get bids on what other auditors would charge to audit the city's books in the future.

Mayor White reported he had an application for business license where the man wants a business in his home. The man was Murph B. McLean, 3807 Hartnett Blvd. Type of business was a boat broker (hobby).

Mrs. Passailaigue said that Mr. McLean wanted to be a boat broker at his home, but no cars or boats would be outside his house.

Mr. Finch said he knows the man and what he wanted to do. Mr. McLean wanted to work in setting up some lines and to get the lines established he needs a business

name and address. No boats would be outside his home; strictly literature mailed in and out, and trying to set up some large franchises.

Alderman Preston asked if there were any individuals on the island doing business from their homes

Mrs. Passailaigue replied yes.

Alderman Shaffer thought it was a standard procedure that they do not issue business license for a residence.

Alderman Casey said they should question any home license, but how can you allow one and disallow another.

Alderman Shaffer said the city loses money because of the lack of people getting business license.

Alderman Preston felt that as long as people are doing business and the city knows they are doing it, whether they have a license or not, she didn't see how they could tell Mr. McLean he couldn't do business.

Mayor White said they are not telling him he can't do business, just that the city can't issue him a license.

It was agreed on not to issue Mr. McLean a license.

Mayor White appointed the Community Planning Commission from council They are:
Alderman Larosa
Alderman Meek
Alderman Shaffer

The three from council are to set up the commission and decide who they want for the other six members, then they pick the chairman of the commission themselves.

Alderman Casey moved the Mayor's appointments be approved.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion.

Passed unanimously.

Mayor White said he talked to the ex-mayor in reference to the books that Mr. Kelly kept. Mr. Hamer declined to give a written statement that he gave Mr. Kelly permission to keep the books, but he does not remember telling Mr. Kelly he could have the books.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Mayor White or someone authorized by him approach Mr. Kelly and tell him council objects to him keeping the books and that they can find no record that he was authorized to keep the books and if he does not turn them over in ten days then council will take further action.

Alderman Larosa seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed.

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Mayor White said he will contact Mr. Kelly.

Mayor White said he went to the sanitation meeting on the new garbage disposal unit that is being built on Romney Street. There will be no charge for dumping and it will be available no later than the first of June. The garbage dumping has been costing the city \$120 a week. If the garbage disposal unit becomes available the city will be saving around \$3,500 for the rest of the year.

Alderman Preston asked if the city had received any money from the recycling of the newspaper.

Mrs. Passailaigue said the city received \$38.00 last month for the paper.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, April, 10, 1974, at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, and Attorney Guerard. Absent was Alderman Shaffer.

Mr. M.C. Pugh, Director of the Regional Planning Council, talked to council about the purpose and function of the County Planning Council. He said that a study is required by the Environmental Protection Agency before they will take applications from the cities for funding of waste treatment and collection facilities.

Mr. William F. Kopacka, Assistant Director of the Regional Planning Council, gave council the purpose and history of the Flood Insurance.

Mayor White introduced a visitor, Mrs. Mary Eller, a councilwoman from Cheverly, Maryland.

Mr. David Hinson talked to council about what he felt was the unfair verdict that Recorder Lawrence Richter gave him concerning his two dogs. Mr. Hinson suggested to council that before a recorder is hired that he serve ten years as a lawyer and be at least 35 years old.

Mayor White stated that when he was Chief of Police he had trouble with Mr. Hinson's two dogs, and in the past few days he had received five complaints on Mr. Hinson's dogs which the police department didn't know about.

Alderman Casey asked if the police department had many complaints about dogs.

Chief Strobel said that lately the situation with the dogs had been getting better; they have the assistance of the county and have very diligent police officers that work in that area.

Mayor White asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the last meeting.

Alderman Larosa said that there was one place that was confusing to him on page 3 "Mrs. Kearney at the Beach Company was opposed to putting a separate plot on the record showing this was a separate tract from the shopping center."

Attorney Guerard said that as it turns out it was not important because the tax assessor's office said they will work with the city and make a proportionment just on the measurement.

Alderman Larosa said that in the minutes (page 3) it states that Ways and Means will have several insurance agencies give them a package quote on all exposures the city has, and to the best of his knowledge Ways and Means has not done this.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that Alderman Shaffer said he would take care of the insurance.

The minutes to the last meeting was left as are.

Alderman Larosa reported that the Ways and Means Committee met with Joe Thornton to clarify if he had sent the application through to get the new ordinance for the flood control.

Alderman Jernigan said that Mr. Thornton produced a copy of a form letter that was sent to all eligible municipalities about the flood insurance. Alderman Jernigan said that because of this letter council could believe that the city has been accepted. He said he was satisfied that the city had applied and was covered.

Mayor White read a letter that was sent to the former mayor in 1970 from George Bernstein concerning the flood insurance on the Isle of Palms.

Mayor White felt there was no problem in getting flood insurance on the Isle of Palms.

Alderman Larosa said the Ways and Means Committee was satisfied that Mr. Thornton had fulfilled the flood insurance application requirements. Alderman Larosa also reported that they talked about the codification material that was sent to the Michie Company. Mr. Thornton had told them that the material that was returned by the company was not to have been sent to the company, but rather it was an accumulation of all the material he had called in for reference to draw up an ordinance.

Mayor White asked about the other ordinances that have not been codified.

Attorney Guerard said he would rather not say anything until the committee reports on the ordinances, but there were some questions concerning some of them.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Sanitation, Streets and Lights Committee had not made a decision on Forest Trail 4,5, and 6. He also said that if anyone received any complaints about the trash to tell them to be patient because the sanitation department was short of help and they had some flat tires.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that when it quits raining they will be able to get the clay for the playground's field. He also reported that they have 16 to 17 burned out lights on the playground. The bids to have the lights fixed were \$353 and one for \$340 maximum. Alderman Dangerfield recommended to council that they spend \$340 to have the 16 or 17 lights fixed. They need the lights to play the games and Dick Jones said they had to take care of a few things before they could have the games on the playground.

Mayor White asked when the baseball season will start.

Alderman Dangerfield answered that the kick-off for the season is April 18th and the following week the games will start.

Alderman Preston stated the the lights are also needed for practice.

Alderman Jernigan seconded Alderman Dangerfield's motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White reported that Mr. Mathewes of the police department has resigned effective April 21st, to take a position with the sheriff's department.

Mayor White asked if they were still in the process of taking care of the fire department.

Alderman Avant replied yes.

Mayor White read the letter from the Garden Club in reference to the desire to serve on the Planning Board. He stated that the letter arrived two weeks too late because the board was picked at the last meeting. He stated that he wrote Mrs. Durst and explained this.

Mayor White also read a copy of a letter to Wm. A. Harris of 3903 Hartnett from Mr. Dangerfield in reference to fishing walks on the bridges at Breech Inlet and Dawhoo River. The letter stated that the cost for construction of the walks were high and they would have to be deferred to a later date.

Mayor White read the letter he wrote Mr. Kelly in reference to the books in question.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that Andy Johnson, a man from the federal agency, will come to the Island at 10 o'clock, Tuesday morning and meet with him and ride around the Island and do a survey on the drainage problem. The following areas were suggested to Alderman Dangerfield as drainage problems: Forest Trail, Charleston Blvd., Waterway Blvd. at 24th Avenue, 29th Avenue, Chapman, and Merritt Blvd. Alderman Dangerfield stated that this service was free.

Mayor White named the people he appointed to the Planning Commission.

Alderman Larosa	James Colcolough, Jr.
Alderman Meek	Dr. Will Walter
Alderman Shaffer	Salvador V. Sottile
Charles W. Eisenhower, Jr.	G. Wayne Martin
Ronald A. Hightower	

Mayor White reported that Mr. Hightower did say there may be some question about being able to accept the position, but as far as he was concerned he wanted to serve. Mayor White said these men were picked because of there particular fields.

Alderman Preston asked if the men had accepted.

Mayor White answered yes.

Alderman Preston moved that council approve the mayor's appointments to the Planning Commission.

Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor White told council that there will be a special meeting Monday night, and the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment and Appeals have been asked to attend. The meeting is for the purpose of getting the plans as best Sea Pines can give them. The meeting will not be a question and answer session for the public, but a question and answer session for the council, Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment and Appeals. At a later date they will have a public question and answer session for the public.

Alderman Casey asked who the principal speakers were going to be.

Mayor White didn't know, but it would be five men from the Sea Pines Company. Mr. Hal Ravenel would be one of the men.

Alderman Casey stated that Oliver Trout at 25th Avenue told him there was a steady flow of children on Hartnett Blvd from the playground after school and before supper time. Mr. Trout wanted Alderman Casey to recommend the possibility to have four-way stops on the two streets on either side of the playground for the protection of the children.

It was suggested that the children on the Island be given instructions on how to ride bicycles.

Mayor White said the four-way stop would be referred to the police committee, because they could also cause accidents.

Alderman Dangerfield said he would look into the Sportsman's Club about having a program on public safety.

Alderman Larosa informed council that he will fulfill the campaign promise of keeping the people on the Isle of Palms informed of the action the council takes. Alderman Larosa has accepted the position of reporter for the Moultrie News. He said he will not use his personal opinion, but report the facts and important things that happen.

Alderman Meek stated that he knows Alderman Larosa writing and that it will be unbiased and he is happy that Alderman Larosa is writing the column.

Everyone agreed with Alderman Larosa about writing the column.

Mayor White said that at their next meeting they will discuss the resolution that Mr. Pugh give him.

Mrs. Carroll asked if council had a report on the EMS.

Alderman Avant stated that he had looked into the EMS, but he did not have a report.

Alderman Preston asked where the second precinct would be.

Mayor White said that it hadn't been set up yet.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor



The minutes to the last meeting stand as are.

Mayor White read the letter he wrote to Mr. Kelly in reference to the law books and also read the letter Mr. Kelly wrote stating that the books were given to him as a form of payment.

Mayor White said that Mr. Kelly took the job for so much money a month and was paid for any extra service. Mayor White did not feel that the books were part of the payment. He said they can not find in the minutes where the books were given to Mr. Kelly. He said that the city holds the paid bills.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that Council ask the mayor to proceed further in this matter and find out what the proper procedure would be to get the city's property back.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White read a letter from Worth Agency listing the city's insurance and coverage. Edward Owens of Worth Agency felt some increases were needed in amounts of insurance over the building and contents, and neither the playgrounds are covered by liability insurance.

Alderman Avant made a motion that the insurance be handled strictly by Ways and Means. Alderman Avant felt the city really needed some updating.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Alderman Shaffer felt they should have several insurance agencies look over the city's insurance and make recommendation, then they can get quotations on the total package; this will take time so he proposed they still deal with Worth Agency.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that they get Worth Agency to secure the generalized building coverage on the two playground location.

Alderman Meek asked if this coverage would be \$60.00. Alderman Shaffer replied yes.

Alderman Avant seconded Alderman Shaffer's motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa asked if the city had other coverage other than with Worth Agency that still are in effect.

Alderman Shaffer replied yes.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that the only insurance company the city has is Worth Agency, except Workmen Compensation which is through the state.

Alderman Shaffer asked if anyone had hospitalization insurance.

Mrs. Passailaigue answered that the hospitalization insurance is through Blue Cross - Blue Shield.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Worth Agency does not cover the children at the playground.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that Strickland and Joseph is the one the playground uses.

Alderman Dangerfield said that in the past the Playground Commission used to pay the insurance, but since the books were turned over to Mrs. Passailaigue, she pays the insurance. The insurance money was collected from the children that play the sports.

Mrs. Passailaigue said she does not have that insurance policy.

Alderman Dangerfield did not know that the insurance bill had come in. He wanted to talk to the insurance company before the bill was paid so he could see what type of coverage they had.

Mrs. Passailaigue had already paid the bill.

Mayor White asked if the bill was authorized by the committee to be paid.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that Alderman Dangerfield and Mr. Cook told her to pay the bill.

Alderman Dangerfield said he didn't tell Mrs. Passailaigue to pay the bill; he told her he wanted to see the bill.

Mayor White said he does not want anything paid until it has come through committee.

Alderman Dangerfield knew that anything over \$100 had to come through Council. He said he didn't authorize the bill to be paid and Jim Cook did not have the authority.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that at the Playground Committee meeting that was held on a Sunday she was told that as soon as the money does in the bank it goes to the insurance.

Mayor White said that anything of a vast amount will come through the committee before it is to be paid and it should come before the council.

Alderman Meek asked if the premium was paid by the children.

Mayor White answered yes.

Alderman Preston said that the purpose of the money was for the insurance.

Mayor White felt that since the money was put into the city treasure, it should come before the council.

Alderman Dangerfield said the money itself came from the Playground Commission for insurance, because they pay the insurance every year. He said that last year the Playground Commission gave all the old equipment away and bought new pants. Some pants had to be bought this year to fit the kids. The playground has a bill of \$1,000 but the playground had income of \$750 for sponsors, so the City is spending only \$250 for equipment.

Mayor White read a letter from Mr. Haywood Faison of the Palmetto Air Service stating that the present airport is to be closed. Mr. Faison asked for the City's support for a new airport in the general area of the intersection of Highways 17 and 41.

Everyone agreed that Mayor White should write a letter of support for a new airport.

Alderman Larosa gave a report for the Ways and Means Committee in regards to the excessive amount charged by the past auditor, Mr. Baker. The other cities pay a lesser fee. Alderman Larosa said he talked to Mr. Baker and told him he felt the fee was \$1,000 too high. In 1972 the city paid \$3,064, including the 4th quarter of 1971. In 1971 the annual report cost \$1,515; 1972 - \$1,983; and in 1973 - \$3,750. Mr. Baker stated he had 264 3/4 hours in the annual report and paid the men \$12.50 and \$15.00 an hour. Mr. Baker told Alderman Larosa that if the City continued to use his service he would come down \$500.

Alderman Larosa said he talked to Mr. Neal Meyer, the CPA of North Charleston, and Mr. Meyer gave the City a contract price for a full year between \$1,750 and \$2,000 in writing in a form of a letter. Ways and Means opinion was they should write a letter to Mr. Baker and state the City's position and stand firm on the figure of \$2,750 and if Mr. Baker insists on the \$3,750, then they will use other means that are available. It was suggested that they write a letter to the CPA Association and let them make a discussion if the price was fair or exorbitant.

Alderman Larosa made a motion that council accept the bid of Mr. Neal Meyer, CPA, at the rate he suggested, which would include quarter reports, and write Mr. Baker stating the City no longer needs his services and they object to the charge for the annual report and specify \$2,750. Alderman Larosa said that Mr. Meyer handled the accounting for North Charleston last year and that they are going to retain him another year.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion.

Attorney Guerard suggested that they send the check in the amount of \$2,750 along with the letter, that way Mr. Baker will probably accept the check.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant reported that the fire department needs one engineer. They have advertised in the newspaper for an engineer for the fire department and have received 5 applications. The Board of Fire Masters scanned the applications and picked 2 men for a personal interview. After the interviews the Board of Fire Masters will meet again and select an engineer. The 2 applicants are out of town men - Mr. Miller and Mr. Stubbs.

Alderman Avant wanted the Ways and Means Committee to check into the wage and hour law pertaining to the fire department, becoming effective May 1, 1974.

Alderman Avant said that the Board of Fire Masters understands that the old fire truck behind the City Hall was given to the playground by the old council to be erected as a monument, which was never done. Alderman Avant representing the Board of Fire Masters asked the Mayor and Council to turn the old truck back over to the fire department. The Board of Fire Masters suggested they give or sell the truck to a small fire department.

Mayor White said that if the City had a proper place to put the truck he would like to keep the truck as a piece of equipment that the City started with, but he didn't know how they would do it.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that at one time the playground was going to use the truck, but once they built the tot lot they decided they didn't need it.

Mayor White asked if the playground really wanted the truck.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Jim Cook had mentioned selling the truck.

Alderman Avant suggested that the fire truck be turned back over to the Board of Fire Masters and let them make the decision with what to do with the truck and he will present it before the mayor and council.

Alderman Shaffer seconded it. Passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant reported that the police department was short one policeman. They have 2 full time policeman and 1 part-time policeman. An ad had been placed in the paper and so far they have had 2 replies. When they get a sufficient supply they will scan them and he will come back to council.

Alderman Avant said in March the police department handled 122 complaints and had a total fine and assessments of \$2,097.50.

Alderman Dangerfield said he had a complaint about the police department not receiving complaints and answering the complaints. He said he talked to Mayor White about the problem.

Mayor White said he talked to Chief Strobel and he feels that it was just a misunderstanding.

Alderman Casey said that some residents had asked them how the police complaints were handled once they were reported to the dispatcher.

Alderman Avant said that the dispatcher makes a report of the complaints and then turns it over to the police who is on duty.

Alderman Casey asked what was the need of the unmarked police cars.

Mayor White said that there isn't a need for the unmarked cars and if he had his way and the expense wasn't there he would have all the cars painted excepted the chief's car. He hoped that when they buy police cars in the future they buy a standard color car and mark it.

Alderman Casey asked if they could use decals.

Mayor White said they could use decals and it would not be costly; this could be referred to the Police Committee.

Alderman Casey had been getting parking complaints, particular within the triangle where the water company has a substation at 7th Avenue and Carolina Blvd.

Alderman Avant said that Mr. Parrish is putting up "No Parking" signs, and they will ride the Island and see where the signs are needed.

Mayor White said he had received complaints about parking in Palm Court.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that he talked to the 6 of the 7 people on 41st Avenue about the street lights. Everyone was in favor of the lights. The residents are subject to pay 50¢ extra a month; \$6 a year, and the city will pay the regular fee of \$3.25. This is a different type of light. It is 18 feet, fiber glass fancy light with underground cable.

Alderman Dangerfield made a motion that the city go ahead and have the 2 street lights put in on 41st Avenue. There are 2 more lights that will be put in later. Once they get the first 2 lights installed the power company will take over about talking to the rest of the residents in Forest Trail 4, 5, and 6 about the new lights.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield met with Andy Johnson. Mr. Johnson told him that the real drainage problem areas are on 4th and 5th Carolina, and all the way down Ocean Blvd, and a few other places, because there is no place for the water to go. Some of the areas that were suggested as drainage problem the state can take care of them. Mr. Johnson wanted to know how Council felt about the drainage and if Council was in favor he would go ahead and do a complete survey on exactly where the ditches should be and how much it would cost. He didn't want to do the survey if Council said they did not have the money at this time to do the work. The county and state will help, but the city will also have to pay.

Alderman Meek asked how much the survey would cost.

Alderman Dangerfield said the survey would be free.

Alderman Shaffer asked how much the project would cost.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Mr. Johnson had no idea how much it would cost. They would have to wait and see what was needed, but it would be over \$1,000.

Mayor White said that the study is needed and the work will have to be done in due time.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Mr. Johnson told him that the City should provide ditches for the water to go into, and the people themselves would have to survey their land to get the water into the ditch.

Alderman Avant stated that there is an old ditch between the houses on Ocean and Carolina Blvd.

Alderman Dangerfield said that they couldn't find any ditch there; but at 301 Charleston Blvd. there are 2 drains that need to be scraped. Alderman Dangerfield said he has talked to the State and they will scrape the drains.

Alderman Avant said that some survey had been made on Palm Blvd. by the other Council between 24th and 25th Avenue. They started work but then stopped.

Alderman Dangerfield said they stopped work because the State realized it was not a good idea to run the water to the ocean; it needed to be run to the waterway.

Alderman Dangerfield said that after Mr. Johnson completes the survey he will bring to the City a completed map of where the ditches should be, what the State and County can do and what the City will have to do and pay. Mr. Johnson is paid by the federal government.

Alderman Meek asked what office Mr. Johnson was with.

Alderman Dangerfield replied he was with the agriculture department.

Alderman Shaffer moved that they have Mr. Johnson do the survey.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield presented awards to the members of council that were not present at the baseball jamboree.

Attorney Guerard reported that the Beach Company is filling in the marsh by the Exchange Club by getting the dirt off the front beach around 3rd Avenue. Since it is the Beach Company property there is nothing legally the city can do to stop them. The Corp of Engineers is keeping a close check on the hauling of the dirt.

Mrs. Passailaigue thought that taxes were not paid on this land.

Alderman Larosa asked how wide the land was.

Mayor White said that the width of the land varied; it is from high water mark back inland to the property line of the other owners.

Attorney Guerard said that they were dragging 30 feet; from the water to the sand dunes.

Attorney Guerard said that David Hinson's appeal had been abandoned. Attorney Guerard said that on the second offense Mr. Hinson was fined \$50 and given 10 days to pay since he did not have the money at that time. The next Monday the fine had still not been paid so he (Attorney Guerard) requested a bench warrant for Mr. Hinson's arrest. When Chief Strobel served the warrant he was given the \$50.

Alderman Avant asked what had happened to the dogs.

Attorney Guerard didn't know.

Attorney Guerard said that part of Mr. Hinson's argument was directed at the lack of due process, but everyone is informed they have a right to a jury trial and if he felt he couldn't get a fair determination in the hand of the recorder, he could have requested a jury trial.

Alderman Larosa asked Mrs. Passailaigue about the report they have to make on the Revenue Sharing.

Mrs. Passailaigue said the report has to go in May. Ways and Means needs to meet to make a budget for what has not yet been spent.

Alderman Larosa asked if the City could put up a sign telling the tourist that the campground is closed.

Mayor White said not on this Island, because of the trouble he has had about the recycling sign.

Alderman Jernigan asked if this wasn't the responsibility of the Beach Company.

Alderman Larosa asked Mayor White if he would like to appoint a committee to look into the matter.

Alderman Avant suggested that a "No Camping Facilities" sign be put under the city sign.

Mayor White had checked into the cost of sending out tax forms. The county can make the tax forms and send them out and collect the tax for about half of what it would cost the City, but the City would not get the money until November; but the City can't wait that long. It now cost the City 10¢ to get the taxes run off and 20¢ to get them run off and the county takes care of them.

Alderwoman Preston asked if the consolidation goes through next year, then the county would take care of the taxes automatically.

Mayor White had a stack of bills that needed paying. The total of the bills was \$4,221 and there was only \$6,000 in the bank.

Alderman Larosa said that that \$60,000 note is due December 13. He asked when the tax notices were to be sent out.

Mrs. Passailaigue said she hoped to get the tax notices in August; as soon as the county can give them to her.

Alderman Meek asked if the bills were under the separate department's budgets.

Mayor White answered yes.

Alderman Dangerfield said that the sanitation department has decided against closing in the trash truck since the truck will only last about 2 more years.

Mayor White asked to withdraw enough money from the savings account to pay the bills.

It was passed unanimously to withdraw the money.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Passailaigue
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Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
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Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, May 8, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, and Shaffer. Absent was Attorney Guerard.

Mayor White asked if there were any corrections on the minutes of the last meeting.

Alderman Dangerfield said that on page 4 it was not clarified where it said "Alderman Dangerfield said he had a complaint about the police department not receiving complaints and answering the complaints."

Mayor White said that he and Alderman Dangerfield were talking about the time element, but actually that was just about what the problem was. It covers what happened.

Alderman Dangerfield said he would let it go.

Alderman Shaffer said they need a change on page 1 where it said "Alderman Shaffer made a motion that they get Worth Agency to secure the generalized building coverage on the two playground location." It should be general liability coverage not generalized building coverage.

No further corrections to the minutes.

Alderman Larosa reported on the action they took regarding the auditor. They sent the auditor a letter accompanied with the check for \$2,750, which was \$1,000 less than what was requested by the auditor. The check had cleared the bank and on the check it was stated that this was the amount in full.

Alderman Larosa received notification of the City's share of revenue sharing fund for entitlement #5. It will be \$35,168; short \$587 compared to last year.

Alderman Larosa said the Ways and Means is in the process of developing the planned use report for July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975. It must be completed, published, and sent in by June 24th. Alderman Larosa asked all committees that had any ideas they would like to submit to participate in the plan use report to submit them to Ways and Means at once.

Alderman Larosa stated that the actual use report is due by September 1st.

Alderman Shaffer has been in touch with four professional insurance agencies and asked them to survey what the city has in way of coverage and to make recommendations on what the city needs.

Mrs. Passailaigue asked Alderman Shaffer to ask the insurance agencies about a blanket bond insurance.

Alderman Shaffer said the insurance agencies might recommend a blanket bond coverage. A blanket bond insurance covers any employee rather than a specified named employee, this might not be wise.

Alderman Avant reported that the new fireman, Michael O. Miller, reported for work last week. Alderman Avant made a motion that they hire Michael O. Miller on a 60 day basis.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant reported that a small fire department around Ladson wanted to acquire the old fire engine. They proposed to pay \$200; \$50 a month. Alderman Avant made a motion that they accept the offer from the other fire department.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant reported that the Police Committee met April 29th and they had personal interviews with the applicants for policeman. They had narrowed it down to two people, but couldn't decide, so the committee voted unanimously to turn the decision over to Chief Strobel and let him pick the policeman. Chief Strobel personally interviewed the men again and checked their references. Chief Strobel told Alderman Avant he needed a policeman on the weekend and that Mr. Dudley was available and he wanted to know if he could put Mr. Dudley on a temporary hourly basis for the weekend. Alderman Avant told him to go ahead if he needed the man. Then he talked to Mayor White. Since that time Chief Strobel came back with a proposal that they hire Robert H. Dudley as a permanent policeman. Alderman Avant made a motion that they hire Robert H. Dudley on a 60 day probation period as a full time policeman.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Alderman Shaffer wanted some information on Mr. Dudley.

Alderman Avant said that Mr. Dudley started police work when he was 18 year old under Chief Bunch of Folly Beach. Then he went in the service. After his time in the service he went back to police work. He went to work for Hampton County as Deputy Sheriff, then to Estill as a patrolman, then to Eastover as Assistant Chief. He has completed all his police schools. He had very good recommendations from his former employers. He is now living with on Folly Beach with his father.

Alderman Meek said that Mr. Dudley had two children. There were two men that they had narrowed it down to and he would have hired anyone of them. The committee felt the police chief should be the one to do the final interviewing.

Alderman Avant stated that Mr. Dudley was highly recommended.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant said that the committee proposed Mr. Dudley's salary to be \$7,000 a year, which was under what he had been making.

Alderman Avant said that Chief Strobel proposed to the committee that they hire a part-time policeman for the front beach. The committee voted unanimously in favor of the part-time police and his proposed salary would be \$2.00 per hour.

Mayor White felt that this should be brought before the Council. The City now has 1 chief, 2 full time police, and 1 part-time police.

Alderman Shaffer wanted to know the average hours of the part-time police.

Alderman Avant said that the part-time police had been working 40 to 50 hours a week, because he was filling in when they were short of a full time police.

Alderman Meek stated that Folly Beach is pretty well closed down and the traffic on the Island has started out much heavier than usual.

Alderman Preston stated that the Folly Beach carnival has closed down and that one is on the Island.

Alderman Shaffer felt that 3 full time police and one part-time police were adequate and all that the City could afford at this time.

Alderman Avant said that the part-time would work just on weekends, holidays, and when there was a big crowd.

Alderman Shaffer wanted to know the needs of the present part-time policeman.

Alderman Jernigan said the men are busy with the traffic and the men have to have time off. The idea was to keep the part-time man on the beach where all the crowds were and the man could make his salary if he imposed the fines for littering.

Mayor White said that Mr. Finch was complaining in reference to the fire at the campsite and the wreck on the beach. Mr. Finch felt that this will still go on once they start to build. As one of the new owner he insisted that the police make cases against the people for trespassing on the far end of the Island. This will work a hardship on the police department in that it will require a lot of man power.

Mayor White said that as far as the general work on the Island another police is not needed, but with the problem on the other end of the Island another man might be needed.

Alderman Casey asked how the end of the Island was taxed.

Mrs. Passailaigue answered that it was in acreage.

Alderman Shaffer asked what the present police department schedule was.

Alderman Avant didn't have the breakdown on what shifts the police worked, but understands it is an 8 hour shift.

Mrs. Passailaigue didn't have this month's schedule but one comes on at 7 a.m. and goes off at 3 p.m., then from 3 p.m. to 11 p.m., and then from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Alderman Avant said that at the next meeting he will have a breakdown on all the hours.

Alderman Shaffer motioned that they table this discussion till the next meeting.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Alderman Avant said that Chief Strobel will supervise the lifeguards. They will need a staff of 5 men; 2 men during the week and 3 additional men during the weekends and holidays. The salary for the lifeguards will be \$1.50 per hour and \$1.80 per hour for the head lifeguard.

Alderman Dangerfield asked if this was a decrease in salary for the head lifeguard.

Alderman Avant didn't think so.

There was a dicussion whether the lifeguards would come under the new wage and hour law. Mayor White said he would check into it.

Alderman Avant moved that they hire the lifeguards for the front beach.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa asked if the lifeguards would have any police authority to control the littering.

Mayor White said that the lifeguards can talk to the people and if they don't comply then the lifeguards can call the police.

Mayor White said that Alderman Avant had asked about hiring a lifeguard now because of the heavy crowds and he told him to go ahead and hire the lifeguard.

Alderman Larosa asked if there was any time limit when the people can be on the beach.

Mayor White said that there has never been any curfew on the Isle of Palms beach.

Alderman Avant said that Chief Strobel asked the committee to look into the possibility of acquiring a new ambulance. The old ambulance is not worth repairing. Alderman Avant wanted council to discuss this matter. The committee felt a ambulance is needed and wants Ways and Means to look into acquiring one.

Alderman Larosa asked about the E.M.S. program.

Alderman Avant replied that the E.M.S. program is still under discussion. Even if they get the E.M.S. it will cost \$30 everytime they are cared for an emergency.

Alderman Dangerfield asked if they wanted a new ambulance. He suggested they see if the County had an old ambulance they might sell, since they bought the new ones.

Mayor White said the crash wagons from the County wouldn't be any good, because they were also used as patrol cars.

Alderman Larosa asked what the ambulance would cost.

Alderman Avant said they had no bids, but it would be around \$6,000 and would be a carry-all, not a car or station wagon.

Alderman Shaffer said that when it was necessary to trade in one of the vehicles they could consider trading for vehicle that could be used as an emergency vehicle, but he couldn't see using that kind of money being used for a ambulance that would sit until an emergency, when the city is in the condition it is in, and the E.M.S might be on the Island.

Alderman Meek asked how long it will be before they would need to replace a car.

Alderman Avant didn't know, but Chief Strobel reported that all cars were in good condition.

Alderman Avant said that Chief Strobel told him the ambulance was not worth repairing, and will have to be taken off the road.

Alderman Jernigan stated that the ambulance is needed, but it is not in the budget.

Alderman Shaffer didn't believe that the Island needed an ambulance.

Mayor White said there is already an E.M.S. wagon in Mt. Pleasant.

Alderman Larosa said the City hasn't raised taxes in years and the budget is going up. The City is not in a financial position to get an ambulance.

Alderman Meek asked how long it would be before the Island could get an E.M.S.

Alderman Avant replied in July.

Mayor White said the City would be lucky to get the E.M.S., but he will not commit the City until he finds out how extent it is and what the chances are in getting the wagon on the Island.

Alderman Avant made a motion that the ambulance situation be turned over to the police committee for further study.

Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Alderman Avant said the police committee was in favor of giving further study to the median in front of 7-11 store. Alderman Avant made a motion that on Harbor Oak and Pavilion Dr. there be a 4 way stop.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Sanitation Committee is in the process of getting bids on a new garbage truck. It will be around \$15,000.

Alderman Dangerfield said that the Street and Light Committee received a letter from Max Capper concerning the street light at the very end of 25th Avenue on the waterway, which Max Capper paid for himself. Mr. Capper wanted to know if the City would take the light up. Alderman Dangerfield said that there is a light on the corner of Waterway Blvd. and 25th Avenue, one in front of Mr. Capper's house and one at the very end of the street. The Street Committee felt that the light was not necessary and the city couldn't afford it. Alderman Dangerfield made the recommendation that the city not accept the light at 25th Avenue.

Alderman Shaffer asked if the light in the middle of the street was paid by the City and if it wouldn't be better to eliminate that light.

Alderman Dangerfield answered that the light is paid by the City, but they would have to switch the lights, the light on the end is not as powerful as the city's lights. They could get it switched over.

Alderman Dangerfield said that the power company usually puts up 1 street light for every 6 houses. On this street there is only 1 or 2 houses and it has 3 lights. He asked Council if they wanted the light at the very end of the street taken out or the light in the middle removed. Alderman Dangerfield preferred to switch the lights and keep the one at the very end of the road.

Alderman Dangerfield moved that they switch the lights in order to have the city light at the end of the road.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed.

Alderman Dangerfield said he had received complaints about trash on the front beach. He wrote a letter to Mr. White, Director of County Public Works, asking that they give the City assistance with the prisoners to clean up Highway 703, beginning at the causeway to the end of Isle of Palms and then clean up the whole beach.

Alderman Dangerfield recommended they hire a tenth man on the sanitation department for summer time to take care of the beach. The men on the sanitation department miss so many hours that the salary will balance out at the end of the year. There is now a 9 man crew, but usually 9 men are present every day. The tenth man is working to help out, because Mr. Parrish needed him. He is the only white man working. Alderman Dangerfield made the recommendation they hire the tenth man.

Mayor White asked how many hours they will need this man a week.

Alderman Dangerfield answered 40 hours.

Alderman Avant seconded the recommendation.

Alderman Casey said that some lifeguards in other cities are responsible for a certain area for water protection and for policing the beach. If our lifeguards did this and they had to pick up the trash they would keep the people from littering.

Mayor White said that last year the lifeguards were told if they didn't see to the beach being kept up, then they would have to pick it up.

Alderman Dangerfield said that if the lifeguards did this, then the sanitation would not need the extra man.

Alderwoman Preston said she would like to see someone on the beach writing tickets for the people that throw the litter down.

Alderman Dangerfield explained that it is hard to get workers for the sanitation department.

Motion voted on and passed.

Alderman Dangerfield had written a letter to all the businesses on the front beach asking that they pick up the trash in front and back of their businesses.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that at 11:30 a.m., Saturday at the playground the Exchange Club will present the Freedom Shrine Board.

Alderman Dangerfield said he first reported that the bill for the lights at the playground would be \$340, but when they came to fix the lights 4 more had burned out and it amounted to 19 lights that needed fixing. It would cost them more to come cover and fix the lights again, so they went ahead and put the 4 more lights in. The total of the bill was \$430.54.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that the Isle of Palms Exchange Club and the V.F.W. might put outdoor restrooms at the playground.

Alderman Dangerfield had a letter from Mr. Cook concerning the salary of Johnny Moyer, Assistant Playground Director, and the new wage law. Alderman Dangerfield gave the letter to the Ways and Means Committee.

Alderman Larosa reported that there will be a meeting of the Regional Planning Council the next Thursday in Summerville at 5:30 p.m. in the Summerville Town Hall. The last meeting was in February and it was reported that 2 E.M.S. units are operating and by the end of April the entire county will be covered.

Alderman Larosa reported that the "Sand Dollar" sign is leaning against a tree before you get to the 20th Avenue turn off.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Mr. Parrish was to take the signs down.

Alderman Casey felt the city was assuming the responsibility of others.

Mayor White said that he would see that the signs be removed.

Alderwoman reported that they are again hauling the sand off the beach and she doesn't agree that the City can't do anything to stop it. She showed pictures of the hauler taking sand off the beach at 1 hour and 45 minutes before high tide and the tracks of the hauler went into the water.

Alderswoman Preston stated that the Isle of Palms has an ordinance stating the beach from Breach Inlet to Dewees Inlet is closed to vehicle traffic, except emergency vehicles. She wanted to know why the City couldn't enforce that law to prevent the earth mover from going back on the beach.

Alderman Shaffer said they can't tell the man he can't ride a vehicle on his own property.

Alderswoman Preston also said there is a S.C. law concerning the destruction of sea oats - no matter where they are it is unlawful to destroy them. They have cut a road to the beach at 3rd Avenue clearing and destroying the sea oats.

The City maps do not specify the width of the right-of-ways to the beach.

Mayor White said that Attorney Guerard was in the process of looking into this matter.

Alderswoman Preston read the State Code 47-61 concerning the City making ordinances for the protection and health of the people. She said she had talked to Attorney Guerard and he said he could draw up an ordinance to protect the dune system.

Alderman Larosa asked who was authorizing the digging.

Mayor White thought it was Jim Wallace, president of Gulf Stream Dredging.

Alderman Larosa moved that Council request an injunction to cease and resist removal of sand dunes in any of the areas on the front beach relating to what they are doing now, until a legal solution is resolved. The injunction should be drawn up and invoked immediately following the approaching of the man and telling him what they are doing to do if he doesn't stop.

Mayor White said the motion should include from the high water mark back to the sand dunes.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Alderswoman Preston stated that her intention was not to start legal action.

Mayor White proposed they go along with what Alderman Larosa suggested, but make sure that the man who is doing the work is told about it and he will also talk to Attorney Guerard.

Alderman Shaffer asked Alderman Larosa if he would withdraw his motion and have the matter referred to the Engrossed Bills Committee and let them get together with the attorney to discuss it and pursue the idea of talking to the parties involved and if it is necessary to take action they could call a meeting of council.

Alderswoman Preston was not in favor of Alderman Shaffer's suggestion. She wanted Attorney Guerard to make up an ordinance to protect the sand dunes.

Alderman Jernigan made a motion to table Alderman Larosa's motion and to refer the matter to the Engrossed Bills Committee and let them handle it any way they saw fit.

Alderman Avant proposed they table the motion and turn it over to the city's attorney for his immediate thought and see what he could do and then he would come back to Council with recommendations.

Alderman Larosa said he would withdraw his motion providing Mayor White go and see the man responsible for the digging and tell him how the Island feels and ask him to stop, and if the man's answer is negative they they can go to the city's attorney and ask him to look into the matter.

Mayor White said he would have to get in touch with the man responsible for the work and the owner of the property.

Alderman Shaffer suggested he talk to Charlie Way.

Alderman Larosa withdrew his motion and moved that the mayor call on Charlie Way and tell him how concerned the Island is, and if he is going to be immovable, then they follow through with the attorney.

Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Motion voted and passed.

Mayor White said he would contact Mr. Way and also talk to Attorney Guerard.

Alderwoman Preston moved the city pass an ordinance protecting the sand dunes and authorize Attorney Guerard to draft the ordinance for protection of the dune system.

Alderman Larosa seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed.

Mayor White explained he had received a call from Mr. Bud Darby concerning the community schools east of the cooper. A year ago Mr. Hamer committed the Island to a portion of the bills, which was \$1,800. Mayor White said that Mr. Darby was asking for the Island to commit itself to \$1,800 this year. Mrs. Passailaigue didn't know anything about this, she hadn't received a bill. There is nothing in the minutes of last year about Mr. Hamer committing the \$1,800.

Alderman Shaffer explained that the community school is really Wando High School. A director was hired by the community school. He is in charge of adult programs, nightclasses, and mini courses. A part of his activities is to work through the 3 communities recreation departments. Mr. Shaffer had the impression this program was accepted by all 3 communities.

Mayor White said the City owes them \$1,800 now, and they want another commitment of this type for the same amount of money. Mayor White felt Council should honor the first commitment.

Mrs. Passailaigue said this money could come out of Revenue Sharing.

Alderman Shaffer said that if they postponed this matter until the next meeting he would talk to some of the men on the school board about it.

Mayor White suggested they turn this matter to a committee or Alderman Shaffer and let him find out what they can about it and report to council.

Council agreed with Mayor White.

Mayor White had received a letter and a check for \$300 from the Playground Auxiliary to be used in quartering the E.M.S. on the Isle of Palms.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that Council write the auxiliary a letter of appreciation.

Mayor White said he would get in touch with the man from the E.M.S. and see what the chances were of the Isle of Palms to get the E.M.S. on the Island.

Mayor White read a letter from Mr. Clyde Dangerfield to Mr. Wiggins in reference to the painting of the Ben Sawyer Bridge. Mr. Dangerfield asked if the Saturday painting of the bridge could be discontinued so to eliminate the traffic hazards.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that Mayor White follow up on the same line and give Mr. Wiggins a call.

Mayor White had written a letter to Mr. Carver concerning the airport and he received a letter from Mr. Carver thanking him for the letter and stating that they are planning a meeting to discuss the airport.

Mayor White read a letter from Sullivan's Island thanking the Isle of Palms Fire Department for their help at the fire on April 27th.

Mayor White read a letter in reference to Alderman Larosa being on the Planning Board.

Mayor White had a list of unpaid bills totaling \$2,328.80.

Council agreed to go ahead and pay the bills.

Mayor White had a request from Mr. Finch asking if there was anyway that the ownership of Highway 703 from 53rd Avenue to the end could be acquired from the state by the City and then turned over to Sea Pines.

Alderman Shaffer asked Mayor White if he wanted to turn this over to the Community Planning Commission.

Mayor White said it would do this at a later time.

Alderman Shaffer stated that there hasn't been a meeting of this commission and there is no chairman.

Mayor White said he would call a meeting so they could pick a chairman.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk-Treasurer

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was called to order Wednesday, May 22, 1974 by Mayor Pro Tempore Meek.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meek opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Shaffer, Mayor Pro Tempore Meek, Alderwoman Preston, and Attorney Guerard.

Absent were: Mayor White and Alderman Larosa.

Minutes to the last meeting stand as read.

Alderman Shaffer had found out that Mr. Hamer had signed an agreement with the Charleston County School District which committed the Island to a share of the expenses for a community school program.

Alderman Shaffer handed out to council 3 brochures on the community school program. Alderman Shaffer also explained that the programs are in 3 phases: adult, recreational, and enjoyment or enrichment programs. The concept is designed to make use of the school's facilities after regular school hours. The funding of the program is set up on the basis that the Charleston County School District pays two-fifths of the cost and the communities are expected to pay three-fifths of the cost. The three-fifths of the cost is divided between the 3 recreation departments due to the population and the location of the school. Charleston County School District pays 40%, Mt. Pleasant contributes 34%, Isle of Palms 16%, Sullivan's Island 10%. The Isle of Palms' 16% amounts to \$1,712.77. He explained that communications is a problem; letting the people know about the program. In the fall semester of 1973 the total participation in the enrichment program was 151; 84 from Mt. Pleasant, 33 from the Isle of Palms, 28 from Sullivan's Island, and 6 from other. In the spring semester of 1974 the total participation was 409; 208 from Mt. Pleasant, 81 from the Isle of Palms, 70 from Sullivan's Island, and 50 other.

Alderman Shaffer said the prior mayor, Mr. Hamer, had signed the agreement committing the Isle of Palms to participate in the programs. The question now is should the city continue to participate. The fee would be about the same as last year.

He said that Mr. Cook had been working very well with this program and is a member of the advisory committee.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that the bill for last year was on the list of bills that council approved to pay at the last council meeting. It has been paid.

Alderman Shaffer personally felt the program was well worth the money.

Alderman Jernigan asked if Ways and Means should first consider the program, since it wasn't on the budget.

Alderman Shaffer said the commitment would be against next years budget, but they need to know if the city will endorse the program now.

Alderman Shaffer moved the city endorse the program.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer said the Ways and Means is continuing to work on the insurance.

Alderman Dangerfield said at last meeting Council passed a motion to move the street light in front of Mr. Capper's house on 25th Avenue and to keep the light on the end of the street. Alderman Dangerfield received a letter from Mr. Capper stating he didn't want the light in front of his house removed.

Alderman Preston was under the impression from the first letter that Mr. Capper didn't care which light was moved, but now he very much wants the light in the middle of the street to stay.

Alderman Shaffer found it difficult to justify 3 lights in one block, and if one light has to be moved then the light in the middle should go.

Alderman Dangerfield said the light on the end is smaller and is not a city light. The light will have to be switched to a city light and they will not be able to tell how much light it will put out until it is up.

It was determined to leave it as it was passed at the last meeting - remove the light in the middle of the street and keep the one at the end.

Alderman Dangerfield had received a letter from Mr. James White, Charleston County Public Works Director, stating they will clean up Highway 703 beginning in Mt. Pleasant to the end of the Isle of Palms and also clean up the front beach. They had planned to clean it up after July 4th and September 2th, but they will make a special trip next week to clean up.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Playground Commission had set up 8 rules. Each council member had a set of the rules.

Alderman Dangerfield made a motion that Council accept the Commission's rules.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield had a letter from the Recreation Commission asking for 3 things:

- 1-reinstatement of allotted amount for summer help for \$300 back to \$600 which was needed and used for summer last year

- 2-to reinstate the Assistant hours back to 40 hours a week, necessary for the summer (if cut back needs to be made the Commission asks that it be done in September)

- 3- to reinstate fuel privilege to the Director of the department to allow him to function as freely as do the other departments head of the area

Alderman Dangerfield said the summer help will work close to 20 hours a week.

Alderman Preston stated that Johnny Moye's hours had been cut down since the last council meeting.

Alderman Dangerfield said that it had been found that Johnny Moye would have to get \$1.90 an hour, so Mayor White cut his hours down to 32 hours a week. The worse time to cut back is in the summer.

Alderman Casey asked how many employees would the playground have this summer beside the summer help.

Alderman Dangerfield replied the assistant and one summer help.

Alderman Casey asked why they don't interest volunteers to help on the playground.

Alderman Dangerfield said the boy they want to hire for summer help is Bill Kossler. He is 22 years old, a senior at Clemson College and is majoring in playground recreation.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meek was reluctant to discuss the 3 requests until it had been discussed with Mayor White.

Alderman Preston told Council that summer was the worse possible time to cut back. If it is going to be cut back, then September would be a better time.

Alderman Shaffer said they have the total figure they can use, so why don't they cut back in the winter and use that money now.

Alderman Dangerfield said they will cut back in the fall.

Alderman Shaffer said in the next letter the Playground Commission is asking for \$5,000.

Alderman Dangerfield said the \$5,000 is from Revenue Sharing.

Alderman Dangerfield stated there are 2 council members on the Playground Commission and all they do is bring back the commission's requests.

Alderman Preston thought the commission felt the playground was as much a part of the City as any other department. This department should be as important as the other departments in the City.

Aldermen Shaffer said that part of the problem was the playground was use to the extra Revenue Sharing money last year.

Alderman Dangerfield felt that to reinstate the fuel privilege was good. The director needs the fuel to go to the ball games and the district meetings.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meek suggested that Alderman Dangerfield make a check on what they might be able to cut back on in the fall.

Alderman Preston said they have asked Mr. Cook to keep a 2 week record on his use of gas.

Alderman Preston said the requests was just the way the Commission felt.

Alderman Casey said the playground is the only department that has auxiliary funds. He wanted to know what the attachment was on the income.

Attorney Guerard said that what Alderman Casey was saying was why couldn't the Commission pay the gas privilege or whatever else was needed.

Alderman Dangerfield didn't think the kids should have to pay for the Director to go back and forth to see that the programs run right. The Playground Commission has \$1,600 in the bank, but they got the money by the kids selling candy.

Alderman Shaffer said the money could be used on sports.

Alderman Casey asked what the Commission money was used for.

Alderman Dangerfield said the Commission has \$1,600 and they will spend the money as they see fit.

Attorney Guerard said the prior levels they are talking about is moving back to what created the \$30,000 debt.

Alderman Dangerfield moved they table the discussion until the next meeting.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield made a recommendation they hire Bill Kossler for summer help, starting June 3rd; going by the \$300 budget unless it is changed.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the playground will show a series of 10 movies. The last time they showed a series of 6 movies and had a profit of \$68. They charge 50¢ admission. They made so much money the last time that they showed the last movie free.

Alderman Avant reported the City will get the E.M.S. A rough estimate to fix the quarters for the men will be \$1,800.

Alderman Avant made a proposal to get a committee together to broadcast this information and maybe they can get more donations. Mr. Thornton will bring it before the Exchange Club and ask for donation. Alderman Avant will contact someone at the V.F.W. and make them aware and maybe they will help. The City will have the E.M.S. before the end of July. The quarters will be in the end stall next to the police department.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meek reported that a campground has a sign opposite Simmons Sea Food market stating the Sand Dollar is closed and inviting the people to their campground.

Mayor Pro Tempore Meek didn't know if the Mayor had any plans for the Planning Committee meeting, but several people, citizens and members, have been asking about it. They should ask the Mayor to call a meeting.

Alderman Preston wanted to know if anything had been done or accomplished concerning the beach.

Attorney Guerard said he talked to Charlie Way and he was surprised it had started up again and he said he would close it down.

Attorney Guerard didn't know if a city ordinance would be sufficient. He thought the proper way to proceed if any action was taken by Council should be done through county deligation and be a matter of state law. The problem is still the conflict between private ownership and other rights. There is nothing the City can do as long as he stays on his on property, which is anything above mean high water mark.

Alderman Preston wanted to know how they go about getting this mark, so they will know where it is.

Attorney Guerard said the State Supreme Court hasn't been able to determine where it is and the Corp of Engineers have trouble determining where it is. He said the land between the mean high water mark and the mean low water mark is really within the state jurisdiction, so that is why it would be proper to go to the county deligation and get state legislation. As far as the sand dunes structure the legal title is in the Beach Company.

Attorney Guerard said the problem is what they can do to prevent this in the future, because he didn't think there was anything that could be done as to what has already been done.

Attorney Guerard thought Myrtle Beach had an ordinance to protect the sand dunes and he has requested a copy, but has not received it. But it would be better for the City to have it passed as a state law instead of a city ordinance.

Alderman Preston said it would be quicker if it was a city ordinance.

Attorney Guerard said they could adopt it as a city ordinance then have it enacted as state law.

Attorney Guerard said the ordinance would be more defensive if it was limited to the front row of sand dunes.

Alderman Preston said Attorney Guerard should go ahead and draft what would be legal and valid.

Alderman Preston said that as long they haul sand off the beach, they are cutting down the dunes and they are also going below the high water mark.

Attorney Guerard said they should call the Corp of Engineers when they go below the high water mark.

Alderman Preston said they have to be there at the right time to catch them.

Attorney Guerard said that before they started hauling Mr. Wallace asked the Corp of Engineers to come over and show them where his legal boundary was.

Alderman Preston moved that Attorney Guerard start on whatever legal ordinance he can come up with to protect the sand dunes the most.

Alderman Dangerfield seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed.

Mrs. Passailaigue stated that she received a call from a New Jersey lawyer wanting to know about all of our subdivision and zoning laws. She told him to call Mr. Schad and Mr. Schad told him he could buy a book for \$75.00

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White

Mayor White reported that there is a yearly appointment of the Chief of Police, Chief of the Fire Department, City Clerk, and City Recorder. His appointments were:

Mr. G.A. Storbøl	-	Chief of Police
Mr. W.M. Connelley	-	Chief of Fire Department
Mr. Larry Richter	-	City Recorder
Mrs. Passailaigue	-	City Clerk

Mayor White reported that instead of Mr. Baxter Kelly for the city attorney, he has talked to Mr. Teddy Guerard, who will accpet this position.

Alderman Shaffer moved that council approve Mayor White's appointments.

Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White stated that there is a demand for the Board of Adjustment and Appeals and they should go ahead and appoint these members. Mayor White asked for nominations.

Alderman Preston nominated Mr. Will Walter.

Mayor White stated that they have openings for 5 citizens and that Mr. Joe Thornton had asked to be considered for this board.

Alderman Jernigan nominated Mr. Joe Thornton.

Alderman Shaffer asked who had been serving on the board.

Mayor White replied that the members were George Chaconas, Robert Fugate, Harry Schad, Frank O'Brien, Otis R. Burbage, and Luther Avant.

Alderman Avant nominated Russell Fryer to serve on the Board of Adjustment and Appeals.

Alderman Shaffer asked if any of the men presently on the board had asked not to continue to serve on the board.

Mrs. Passailaigue said the men had been serving for 2 to 4 years.

Alderman Shaffer said it would be helpful to those beginning to serve on the board if there was at least 1 or 2 members from the old board on the new board.

Mrs. Passailaigue stated that Mr. Schad would automatically be on the board because he is the building inspector.

Mayor White said it would be wise to hold Mr. Schad on the board.

Alderman Shaffer nominated Mr. Fugate to continue to serve on the board.

Mayor White asked for any nominations for the Board of Adjustment and Appeals.

Alderman Shaffer stated it is the mayor's place to appoint these members if he wants to accept these nominations, then the mayor indicates he wants to appoint these men and council has to confirm the men.

Mayor White said that the 5 men that were nominated were fine and he would appoint these 5.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council confirm the mayor's appointment.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion.

Mayor White stated he would like to hold the Community Planning Committee open for a while until they could study it more.

Mayor White explained that they had an ordinance left to then by the old council to amend the building permits. Mayor White read the ordinance (see attached ordinance).

Mayor White suggested that since they just heard the ordinance for the first time they should take it up at a later date and have another reading.

Alderman Shaffer asked if the first reading was accomplished by the old council.

Mrs. Passailaigue replied no; that it was brought up by the old council, but there had been no reading of the ordinance by the old council, but the ordinance was drawn up by them.

Alderman Shaffer requested that at the next meeting when they have the second reading on the ordinance that they have Mr. Schad present for discussion.

Mayor White read a letter that J.C. Long sent to the S.C. Aeronautics Commission in regards to the Isle of Palms airport which the commission has under lease until January 23, 1975. The purpose of the letter was to ascertain if the commission would be willing to cancel the lease prior to January 23, 1975 and whether the commission objected to them building structures that have a height of approximately 44 feet adjacent to the side line of the property which the commission has under lease and also at the end of the clear zone or glide slope at the end of the airport.

Mayor White then read the letter from the S.C. Aeronautic Commission stating that the commission takes the position that there is a need for an airport on the Isle of Palms and they will retain the airport until the lease expires, but if a new location could be found for the airport the commission would be willing to cancel the lease as soon as this is accomplished.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that this airport matter be referred to the Community Planning Board as soon as they are assembled; there might be some way it can be resolved.

Mayor White read a letter from Mr. Jim Branca of 245 Forest Trail, congratulating the council on their election to office and also calling the council's attention to the 3 "islands" in the middle of the street between Cross Lane and 245 Forest

Trail. Mr. Branca stated that these islands have become unsightly and dangerous because no one maintains them, they are filled with leaves and debris, residents use them for parking lots, and children use them for playgrounds. Mr. Branca proposed that one of the following to be done to alleviate the present situation:

- "1 - The island be completely removed.
- 2 - They be maintained and beautified by the city as public parks.
- 3 - The island be narrowed so that they may be more easily maintained and they be posted 'No Parking'".

Mayor White asked for suggestions.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that this letter be referred to the Sanitation, Streets and Lights Committee.

Mayor White referred the letter to the Sanitation, Streets and Lights Committee.

Mayor White had a letter from the Corps of Engineers in reference to a letter dated September 9, 1971 from the Charleston County Council requesting the Corps of Engineers to make a study to determine the feasibility of Federal participation in beach erosion protection at Isle of Palms. The letter stated the Corps of Engineers made a reconnaissance study to determine whether a more detailed study was warranted. In the case of the Isle of Palms the Corp has completed a reconnaissance report and found a lack of economic justification of beach erosion protection. According to their estimates, the annual cost of providing and maintaining such a project would be about \$87,700 while the annual benefits would be about \$43,300; therefore concluding that a detailed study is not warranted at this time.

Alderman Shaffer said he would like for a member of the Corp's staff to explain the study.

Mayor White said it would be wise for the man to meet with council.

Alderman Preston explained that the city can help prevent beach erosion itself by using tree branches and other things to help build up the dunes.

Mayor White said the city might have to make a study itself on the beach erosion.

Mayor White asked the committee on the tennis courts to give their report.

Alderman Meek, the chairman of the committee on the tennis courts, explained the committee had a meeting following the council meeting of February 13, 1974. The committee consisted of Alderman Jernigan, Alderman Shaffer, and Meek. Alderman Meek stated that from the meetings, interviews, and minutes from the previous administration they gathered a lots of material and information which Alderman Shaffer compiled in a final report.

Alderman Shaffer read the report on the tennis courts. (see attached report) The committee recommended to City Council that Red's Construction Company be paid the balance of the contract price less a 10% retainage which be held until October 31, 1974.

Alderman Shaffer asked if there were any questions from the audience.

Mrs. Carl McCants asked about the 10% retainage.

Alderman Shaffer explained that the 10% retainage is a condition in the federal funding. The purpose is that should some defect occur during the first year after the construction, then that money will be available to take care of the problems. This is 10% of the contract price.

Mrs. Carroll asked where the tennis courts specification came from.

Alderman Shaffer said he had a copy of the specifications that were furnished by the playground commission, but he did not know the exact source.

Mrs. Carroll asked who was responsible that a full set of specifications was not used.

Alderman Shaffer replied who ever did it. Alderman Shaffer said that the report he read was just the committee's opinion on what they studied.

A lady from the audience asked if a written contract on the tennis court was ever found.

Alderman Shaffer replied that they found an unsigned written contract, but in their opinion there is a contract; it does not have to be written.

Mrs. Carroll felt this was a very improper way to handle the city's money.

Someone asked if there was some way to keep this from happening again.

Alderman Shaffer stated that Mr. Guerard mentioned about some set of rules they should draw up on the insurance of contracts and bids.

Alderman Preston moved that council accept the recommendations of the committee and that Mr. Avant be paid the balance owed him by the city on the tennis courts, as specified.

Alderman Dangerfield seconded the motion.

Alderman Avant abstained from voting.

Motion voted on and passed - six ayes and one abstained.

Mayor White asked for any other business.

Alderman Shaffer felt there needed to be some way for Council to better communicate to the citizens and wanted to see some way they could do this. He wondered if it would be feasible to have some type of public information committee and find some interested citizen to undertake the chore.

Mayor White said that Alderman Larosa had suggested in letter form the same thing just prior to the council meeting. Mayor White felt they could set up a committee of 2 or 3 to report on the council meetings and the city.

Alderman Preston stated that they could have a community bulletin board and post the minutes of the meetings on it.

Mayor White said he was planning to have a bulletin board put up in front of Mrs. Passailaigue's window on the opposite side of the wall. They could post the minutes of the meetings, plus anything that was coming before the council that might be of interest to the people.

Alderman Shaffer said that with the demand of the people, there might be less than 1% of the citizens that would go to take the time to come in and see the bulletin board.

Mayor White asked for suggestions on anyone that might be interested in reporting on the city.

Alderman Dangerfield suggested Mrs. Carroll, since she attends all the meetings and takes notes.

Mrs. Carroll did not want this position.

Alderman Larosa suggested they hold off until another meeting so they could discuss this matter further.

Alderman Jernigan said he had a request where a particular party had written a letter pertaining to a recommendation, complaint, or so forth, and he contends it was never made public to the council and he never received an answer. Alderman Jernigan felt that if anyone wrote a recommendation, complaint, or whatever to the council that it should be acknowledged in the minutes that they received the letter and refer it to a committee and that this committee answer the letter as prompt as possible, if it can be answered.

Mrs. Passailaigue asked when did this letter come in.

Alderman Jernigan replied that the letter came in sometime last year; he did not know the exact date.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that if the letter was to the police or fire department she would not see it.

Alderman Jernigan felt that anybody who wrote a letter should get an answer.

Mayor White agreed and said they would certainly attempt to answer every letter they receive and he will insist the committees answer their letters.

Alderman Shaffer asked about the codification of the recent ordinances.

Mrs. Passailaigue said that the meeting in January Mr. Kelly reported he had called the company and he said they were working on the ordinances and progressing nicely.

Mayor White said that the city ordinance books would be available to all councilmen. They just have to sign a receipt showing they received the book and they will return it at the end of their term.

Alderman Shaffer moved the meeting be adjourned. Alderman Jernigan seconded it. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

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J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, June 26, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, and Attorney Guerard. Absent was Alderman Shaffer.

Mr. Connelley and Mr. Matthews were present and representing the Isle of Palms Water Company.

Mayor White stated he and Alderman Dangerfield had received a letter from Mr. Long and the water company.

Alderman Dangerfield read the letter from J.A. Matthews, Controller, Isle of Palms Water Company. The letter stated the water company had petitioned the S.C. Public Commission for a rate increase in water and sewage charge. The company finds it necessary to increase these services to meet current operating cost and future improvement to the water system. The Isle of Palms Water Company will try to obtain good water from a deep well source and hope that a mixture of shallow well water with the deep well water will be good.

Alderman Larosa asked what the rate would be.

Alderman Dangerfield said that effective October 1, 1974, the \$9.00 minimum will be \$12.00 per three months.

Alderman Meek asked Mr. Matthews if he anticipated any time the conditions would be improved.

Mr. Matthews said that at the present time they assume about a year schedule.

Alderman Larosa asked if they would still allow a 10% discount. Mr. Matthews answered no.

Mayor White read the Isle of Palms Water Company's petition to Council.

Alderman Meek asked how the new rate would compare with the other communities.

Mr. Connelley thought it would be about the same as Mt. Pleasant.

Alderman Larosa asked how far they plan to drill the well.

Mr. Matthews said they plan to drill between 1200 to 1500 feet.

Alderman Casey asked where they plan to sink the well.

Mr. Matthews said they plan to put the well at the tank.

Alderman Meek asked if the water company would supply the other end of the island.

Mr. Matthews answered that no agreement has been made to furnish them water.

Mr. Matthewssaid the Public Service commission plans to run the petition in the paper in about 15 days and there will be a public hearing around September 1.

The minutes to the last meeting stand as read.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Playground Commission met June 20, and they had received complaints about the Foos-ball table. The Commission is trying a Foos-ball table at the playground which cost 5¢ a child if four people play. They are trying to draw older kids off the front beach to the playground. He reported that this has turned out good. He said they had some complaints because some people think it is gambling. The profit is split 50-50; the playground get half and the man get half. The money the playground receives they plan to use on a Foos-ball tournament and give small trophies to the winners. Alderman Dangerfield said this is bringing in the older group of kids. He also reported that the Commission plans to take \$300 out of their savings account and buy an air-hockey machine, which will be free. He and Mr. Cook will go to Columbia next week and look at the machine.

Alderman Dangerfield said the Playground Commission passed the following rule: All complaints against the playground be brought before the Commission and that a letter be written to the chairman in advance of appearing before the Commission. Alderman Dangerfield moved that council accept this rule as a guideline for the Playground Commission.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White read a letter he received from the Ladies Auxiliary in reference to the playground. They requested an open, special council meeting as a number of their members wish to speak on the continued existence, purpose and function of the Ladies Auxiliary. They asked that the Council, Playground Commission, and Playground Director attend the meeting.

Alderman Dangerfield said the Commission knew this was coming and they felt the Ladies Auxiliary should go to the Playground Commission first and try to solve the problem. If they can't solve the problem they can go to the Council.

Alderman Dangerfield said he called Mrs. Johnson and she was to call the members that were to speak, but he hadn't gotten in touch with her again to see if they would speak before the Commission.

Mayor White said he talked to Mrs Johnson and she wanted to go before the Council.

Alderman Larosa moved that since Council has established the rules and since the Commission has been appointed, they should follow the procedure - first going and meeting with the Commission trying to negotiate the differences and if they come to an impasse and after Council has heard what the Commission has to say, then the group can request to meet with Council.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White said he will notify Mrs. Johnson and ask that she go before the Commission and see if they can settle it out of Council.

Alderman Dangerfield said he would talk to Mr. Parrish about putting out more cans on the beach. In about five more days the disposal plant will open up, Alderman Dangerfield reported. This will save time and money.

Mayor White reported that the Planning Commission had a meeting. Mr. Wayne Martin was elected chairman, Mr. Ronald Hightower was elected vice-chairman, and Alderman Larosa was elected secretary.

Alderman Larosa reported that at the Planning Commission meeting they discussed the duties and outline of the commission; they discussed current problems, including water supply, traffic, playground, consolidation, ramification and the airport. A committee of Ron Hightower and Jim Colcolough was assigned to look into the water supply; a committee of Charlie Eisenhower, Sal Sottile, and Henry Shaffer were assigned for traffic study. The Planning Committee will meet every month.

Alderman Larosa stated that the Ways and Means Committee has received various recommendations from insurance companies which gave them new approaches and ideas. These recommendations will serve as a basis for uniform request for costs which they will submit to the insurance companies for bids.

Alderman Larosa said the request for the state legislation for a increase in our tax millage was held over due to a misreading by the clerk and referred to a committee headed by Robert Woods and Tom Hartnett.

Alderman Larosa said the Engrossed Bills and Ordinance Committee met with Charlie Way regarding the pending beach and sand dune protection ordinance. Mr. Way asked that Council hold off the second reading of the ordinance to allow them to check the law and communicate further with Attorney Guerard. Mr. Way guaranteed them there would be no activity in the area fifty feet landward without giving the City thirty days notice. It was the recommendation of Engrossed Bills to honor Mr. Way's request and wave the second reading at this meeting.

Alderman Avant seconded the recommendation.

Passed unanimously.

Attorney Guerard understood that Mr. Way was only asking for a two week delay.

Alderman Larosa said that the Regional Planning Council had a meeting June 5 in regards to Fort Moultrie's and Fort Sumter's request for a docking site at Fort Moultrie. The Executive Committee of the Planning Council felt that in view of the already congested traffic conditions on Highway 703 and Middle Street, Sullivan's Island, during the summer months they recommended there be no tour boat service from Sullivan's Island to Fort Sumter.

Alderman Avant reported that the Fire Department is in the process of scanning applications for the third fireman. He reported that the Police Commission had a meeting and they are trying to get up a set of rules for the police to work by.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that in our ordinance there is a rule about riding on the sidewalks and the state is under the impression that the bicycle path along with the sidewalks between Sullivan's Island and Isle of Palms be used to keep the bicycles off the highway. He thought this might be referred to a committee or see about changing the ordinance.

Mayor White said they could turn it over to a committee .

Alderman Dangerfield said he would check again with the state to see if he is correct.

Mayor White had a report from the Board of Adjustment and Appeals on the Beach Company request. The request for a variance was denied.

Mayor White had a request from the City's employees for major medical on Blue Cross and Blue Shield. It would cost the City \$35.90 more per month for the city to change from what it has now to the major medical coverage.

Alderman Larosa asked that this be turned over to Ways and Means since they are studying the insurance.

Alderman Meek felt that if this would take a long time for Ways and Means to study the insurance then they should take the Blue Cross and Blue Shield on a short term notice for the benefit of the employees.

Mrs. Passailaigue said the employees are not covered by major medical insurance now and the major medical insurance they are talking about now is through the Municipal Association.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Mrs. Johnson from Metropolitan Life Insurance had a good insurance policy which included a \$4,000 life insurance policy and it was cheaper than Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Alderman Dangerfield said he referred her to the Ways and Means Committee.

Alderman Meek moved that the City get an insurance policy that protects the employees, as long as it is not long term.

Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

Marie S. Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, June 12, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, Shaffer and Attorney Guerard.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the last meeting except Mayor White said it was incorrect where it said "Alderman Preston stated that Johnny Moyer's hours had been cut down since the last council meeting." Mayor White didn't think that Johnny Moyer's hours had ever been set and when the new wage and hour law came into effect Mr. Cook was asked what hours Johnny Moyer worked. Mr. Cook gave 32 hours a week as Johnny Moyer's working hours, so Mayor White set the hours at 32 so he would be in the hourly margin and weekly salary covered by the wage and hour law. Mayor White said he did not cut Johnny's Moyer's hours, he took them as they were given to him.

Mayor White had a request for someone to speak to Council, but they had decided not to speak.

Alderman Shaffer said that there was some question of whether Council had officially adopted the rules of order and procedure for the City Council of the Isle of Palms.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council adopt the rules of order and procedure for the City Council of the Isle of Palms that was used by the Council of the last term, till such time it be amended by the Engrossed Bills Committee.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa reported that Ways and Means had completed the "Plan Use Report". The report will be in the "Moultrie News" next week.

Alderman Shaffer reported that Ways and Means is working on a revision of the city's insurance.

Alderman Avant stated that the fire department had received two applications for the position of fireman.

Mayor White explained that as the result of the wage and hour law the city's firemen will be in a bracket where one third of the time will be overtime, so the city is in the process of hiring a third fireman.

Alderman Shaffer moved that the committee proceed to hire a third fireman.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion.

Alderman Shaffer said that when the fire department was started it was the original recommendation to have three firemen.

Alderman Meek asked how the hiring of the third man would effect the two firemen's income.

Mayor White said the firemen are now drawing one third more than what they had been drawing. If it goes into overtime pay the city can save one third by having the third fireman.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield brought up the old business concerning the letter from the Playground Commission asking for the following three things:

- reinstate the allotted amount for summer help from \$300 to \$600 which was needed and used last summer
- to reinstate the assistant's hours to 40 hours necessary for summer
- to reinstate fuel privilege to the director of the department to allow him to function as freely with his duties as do the other department heads of the area

Alderman Dangerfield made a motion that Council adopt the three things.

Mayor White asked if there were three people working on the playground last summer.

Alderman Dangerfield said that two boys and one girl worked at the playground last summer.

Mayor White asked how many hours did the people work last year.

Alderman Dangerfield said they worked \$600 worth. Now they are working \$300 worth. Now the playground opens from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; then from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., six days a week and they have a movie on Friday nights.

Alderman Dangerfield had a report on the gas that Jim Cook used from May 10 to May 20. The total miles he went was 207 miles.

Alderwoman Preston stated that Jim Cook was asked to attend all the baseball games.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that Jim Cook uses more gas in the summer from April to September. He said that when Jim Cook was hired he was given the right to use the City's gas pump, but when the City ran short of gas he was cut off.

Alderman Dangerfield said that in the winter time the playground will cut back.

Mayor White said that the things the playground are asking for would cost about \$625 for the overall season.

Alderman Meek moved that Council go along with the three recommendations.

Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion.

Council agreed that 15 gallons a week would be suitable for Mr. Cook to get from the City's gas pump.

Motion voted on and passed.

Alderman Shaffer reported that as Council requested, the Committee of Engrossed Bills and Ordinances had looked into developing an ordinance to be adopted to regulate the sand dunes on the island.

Alderman Shaffer had two proposed bill - one dealing with amendments to an existing ordinance and the second one is an addition to the ordinance.

Alderman Shaffer moved that the rules of council be suspended to permit that a first reading be made in full and then retain the rule of council to permit the second and third reading to take place at another meeting.

Alderman Avant seconded the motion.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer read the two proposed bills.

Attorney Guerard said that the key to the bill is the protection district which includes all the beach area from mean low water mark to mean high water mark and from mean high water mark to the first stable dunes.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council dispense with having to refer this bill to committee since committee brought the bill to Council

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted and passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council reinstate the rules of council.

Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Motion on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant reported that the Board of Adjustment and Appeals had not had a meeting concerning the variance on Laco's house.

Mayor White said that a meeting had been called, but they didn't have a quorum.

Alderman Avant made a motion that when Council receives a letter asking for a variance a time limit of fifteen days should be set for the Board to meet and come back to Council with recommendations.

Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion.

Mayor White said that instead of changing the section of the city code, Council could just ask the Board to meet within fifteen days.

Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer requested that Mayor White call a meeting of the Planning Commission

Mayor White agreed to call a meeting of the Planning Commission Sunday, June 23rd at 6 p.m.

Alderman Larosa said he had received calls from a citizen complaining about a barking dog. Alderman Larosa wanted to know if there was a nuisance law that could be applied to this situation.

Attorney Guerard suggested the people file a complaint about the dogs to the court and the court should issue a summons.

Mayor White had received three different letter concerning donations of Revenue Sharing money to the Gibbs Art Gallery.

Mayor White felt that the City was not able to donate any money at this time.

Mayor White read a letter he wrote Representative Clyde Dangerfield asking him to present to the delegation on behalf of the Isle of Palms the appropriate amendment to increase the taxes to 80 mills.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that the state is building a bicycle path from Dr. Shuler's office in Mt. Pleasant to 30th Avenue on the Isle of Palms.

Mayor White said the city has some outstanding bills - some can be paid from the Revenue Sharing and some of the bills he is going to hold off paying for now.

Alderman Shaffer asked if Council could go into a executive session.

The regular council meeting was adjourned and the aldermen went into an executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

Blair White

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, July 10, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Larosa, Meek, Preston and Attorney Kelly. Absent were Alderman Jernigan and Alderman Shaffer who was ill.

Mr. Clarence Mizell, a citizen of the island, spoke to council about the problems Bug Island, N.C., had when they leveled their sand dunes on the beach. He also said that there are some questions in the people minds about the hold up on the ordinance protecting the sand dunes. He didn't see why the ordinance should be rewritten to suit the Beach Company. He reported that only two states on the east coast do not have a law protecting the sand dunes and S.C. is one of the states. Mr. Mizell wants to see the ordinance passed as it is.

Mayor White said the ordinance will be the city's ordinance and not to the Beach Company's specification. He is satisfied with the ordinance as it is.

Alderman Preston asked how long will the city have to wait for Mr. Way to look over the ordinance.

Mayor White said Mr. Way had asked for two week or until after July 4th.

Attorney Guerard said the second reading will probably come up at the next meeting.

Mrs. Mizell asked if the city could have a questionnaire so the citizens can understand the ordinance and show that they are in favor of a very strong bill.

Attorney Guerard said it was a two or three weeks delay in the ordinance or a guarantee law suit, which would be time consuming and costly. The Engrossed Bills Committee wanted to give the other people time to find out what was involved and let them think about it. Mr. Way said that no action would be taken while the bill was being considered. Mr. Way did not object to the initial limited activity area that would protect the primary system, but their concern was the general activity area - the additional 200 feet behind the primary system.

Alderman Preston stated that the Beach Company is not the only ones cutting down the dunes.

Mayor White said they try to notify the people who are cutting down dunes and let them know what can happen.

Alderman Preston suggested that in the future after the first reading of an ordinance a copy be posted on the bulletin board or maybe have some extra copies run off the the interested people.

Alderman Larosa said that in his article in the "Moultrie News" he will have some sections of the sand dune protection ordinance in it.

Mayor White asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the last meeting.

Alderman Larosa said that the minutes showed that the Planning Commission had a committee of Ron Hightower and Jim Colcolough to look into the water supply, but the committee consists of Ron Hightower, Jim Colcolough and Will Walter. Also, Alderman Dangerfield recommended that in regards to the bicycle path that it be referred to a committee or change the ordinance, but no appointment was made at that time and it should go to the Engrossed Bills Committee.

Attorney Guerard read the city's ordinance where no one shall ride a bicycle on the sidewalks.

Alderman Larosa gave a report on the meeting that was held on Sullivan's Island July 10th concerning new routes to the island. Representing the Isle of Palms was: Mayor White, Alderman Larosa, Alderman Dangerfield, Mel Martin of the Exchange Club, Charlie Eisenhower of the Traffic Committee on the Planning Board and Chief Strobel. There were representatives from the state and highway department. Rep. Dangerfield was the chairman of the meeting. The highway department had the following proposed solutions: (1) building a two lane high level bridge parallel to Ben Sawyer Bridge and widening Rt. 703 from Simmons' Seafood, (2) to build a bridge at 14th Avenue, Isle of Palms, (3) construct a bridge at 41st Avenue, Isle of Palms, (4) build a bridge at 25th Avenue, Isle of Palms. The outcome of the meeting was the proposal to apply for permits for solutions 1 and 4.

Alderman Avant reported that the fire department is having to hire a third fireman. The Board of Fire Masters have selected Mr. George Barber of 111 Carolina Avenue, Isle of Palms, who is 49 years old.

Alderman Avant made a motion to hire Mr. George Barber as a full time engineer.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion.

Alderman Dangerfield asked if Mr. Barber had ever done fire work.

Alderman Avant said that Mr. Barber had done fire work in the Army; he is retired from the Army.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant reported that the Police Commission is working on some problems that the police department is having.

Alderman Avant said the Volunteer Fire Department and the Volunteer Rescue Squad acquired some equipment from Civil Defense - larc and jeep. The volunteer help repaired the equipment and put them on display July 4th for the people to see.

Alderman Larosa commended the fire department and police department for the fine job they did on July 4th.

Alderman Preston asked if the city should consider passing an ordinance prohibiting swimming in Breach Inlet.

Alderman Avant said that the sign at Breach Inlet needs to be repainted.

Alderman Larosa asked if it was legal to fish from the bridge.

Mayor White said the state now allows this and that the state is in the process of building platforms on the bridge for the fishermen.

Alderman Larosa wanted to know if the city could post 15 m.p.h. speed signs at the bridge, because of all the people on the bridge.

Mayor White said the signs could be put up, but then the people would take over the bridge.

Mayor White read a letter he received addressed to him and council from Mrs. Kathryn Carroll. She stated how she felt concerning the council not hearing the Ladies Auxiliary, and asking them to talk to the Playground Commission. She also stated that council had not had any open meetings for the public, which was a promise council made before election.

Mayor White said that the council tries to fill their obligations, but they have been so busy that some of the things have been overlooked that shouldn't have been overlooked.

Mayor White said he knew what the Ladies Auxiliary had done for the playground - they started it, worked it, and financed it, but now the playground gets more money the Ladies Auxiliary feels they are not needed; but the city can't keep on giving the playground the money it received last year. Mayor White felt the Ladies Auxiliary is very important to the community.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that the Playground Commission meetings are open, and the minutes posted. He said the Playground Commission could tell the Ladies Auxiliary more about what is happening at the playground than the council could. He said that in the past the Ladies Auxiliary used to run the playground, now there is another club, the Booster Club, and the Ladies Auxiliary feel they are not needed.

Mayor White stated that if the Ladies Auxiliary and the Playground Commission couldn't settle the problems, then the Ladies Auxiliary can come to council.

Respectfully submitted

Marie Passalunig
Marie S. Passalunig
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, July 24, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White; Aldermen Casey; Dangerfield; Jernigan; Larosa; Meek; Shaffer, who arrived late; and Attorney Guerard. *

Absent was Alderman Avant who was reported sick.

Minutes to the last meeting stand as read.

Alderman Larosa stated that the Ways and Means Committee had a meeting and re-evaluated the budget they submitted to Council in March. The first presentation of the budget was \$229,000 then it was revised to \$220,333 and the only way the could meet the \$220,333 was to use the revenue sharing funds. Alderman Larosa reported that all the departments have been staying within the budget, but this was only made possible because they used the revenue sharing.

The Ways and Means Committee recommended that the City increase the mills by 15 mills. The cost of government, equipment and service have gone up. Each year it has been necessary for the City to borrow money from the bank for tax anticipation loans. The loan started off small but gets bigger each year. The City borrowed \$60,000 from the bank last year, but didn't received \$60,000 because almost \$4,000 was taken out for interest. Also \$33,000 had been borrowed from the bank which makes the City liable each year for 4 years, for \$6,700 plus the interest which will amount to \$8,000 due in October. December 13th the City will have to pay back the \$60,000 to the bank.

Alderman Larosa handled out a paper showing the millage increase and the total tax increase the City would get.

Alderman Larosa explained that it is getting harder to borrow money and the interest rate is higher.

Alderman Larosa made a motion that the City raise the taxes by 15 mills.

Alderman Preston asked how much additional money the City could expect from taxes from the far end of the Island.

Mrs. Passailaigue said the City would not get any additional money until the land was divided into lots.

Mayor White said it would be at least a year before they could receive additional money, and the City can't wait a year. He felt they needed the increase.

Alderman Dangerfield wanted to know the breakdwn for an average family.

Using a \$20,000 home Alderman Larosa explained that at 55mills the tax was \$74.80 a year; at 60 mills the tax would be \$81.60; at 65mills \$88.40; and at 70mills the taxes would be \$95.20.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that taxes had not been raised in a long time and the City was \$39,000 in debt from 1972 to 1973.

Alderman Meek asked how the City stands on paying the current bills.

Mayor White explained that with the check the City just received this week, they can pay off all the bills and be up to date.

Alderman Larosa said that on October 5th, the City will receive \$9,000 from Revenue Sharing, but this will be used on the bank payment.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion to raise the taxes by 15 mills.

Alderman Preston felt that 15 mills was a big jump, especially with this being Council's first year in office.

Alderman Jernigan agreed, but stated that the City can't operate without money and banks are cutting down on loans and the City might not be able to borrow the money.

Alderman Dangerfield felt that this being their first term in office shouldn't matter, if the people wanted the City to continue the services to them, then they will have to raise the taxes. Alderman Dangerfield was in favor of the increase.

Mayor White said the trouble was that the taxes have been low when everything was rising; had Council taken 5 mills raise at the proper time, then the City wouldn't be in debt now.

Motion to raise the millage to 70 mills was voted on and passed.

Alderman Larosa brought up the subject of the two ordinance protecting the sand dunes.

Attorney Guerard said he talked to Mr. Way and Mr. Way is considering something. Attorney Guerard said the only thing he knew that Mr. Way was concerned about was the general permit area.

Alderman Shaffer read the second reading on the two ordinances protecting the sand dunes.

Alderman Preston asked if it was normal to have an even number of people on a board.

Attorney Guerard said that there is an established board on beach patrol and control and he used just what was in existence.

Alderman Preston felt that five or seven members would be better.

Alderman Larosa suggested that they make it with seven members with two from Council.

Alderman Jernigan wanted to know who would determine the most seaward stable dune or where one would form, and who the people would go and talk to.

Attorney Guerard said the board would make the decisions.

Alderman Jernigan said it looked like the existing home owners and new construction would be controlled by a six or seven man board. He felt that this could get out of hand if the board members were not up to date or didn't care.

Attorney Guerard said this depends on the Council picking the proper people to serve on the board.

Alderman Shaffer said if the people are not satisfied with what the board decides, then they can go to the Council, and if they are still not satisfied they can go on up.

Attorney Guerard said the general attitude of the Engrossed Bills Committee, and he assumes the attitude of the Council, was that this ordinance was not designed to prohibit building but merely designed to channel building in the proper direction, especially as far as the initial dune barriers are concerned.

Council unanimously agreed that the bill be ordered for a third reading.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Playground Commission met July 18th with members of the Women's Playground Auxiliary. The Commission convinced the Auxiliary that they did not want them to disband, so in turn the Auxiliary gave the playground a \$50.00 check for trophies for the baseball season. Alderman Dangerfield said he got the impression that the Auxiliary was satisfied when they left the meeting.

Alderman Dangerfield made a recommendation for the Streets and Lights Committee that the City reinstate the street light on 25th Avenue.

Alderman Dangerfield said the Street and Lights Committee met with Max Capper and D. Mahaffey and Mr. Capper explained that the light the City put on the very end of 25th Avenue was not servicing the citizens.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion to reinstate the light.

Alderman Jernigan said that the Council misinterpreted the first letter that Max Capper wrote to the Council.

Motion voted on and passed.

Alderman Shaffer asked if this covered the light at the end of the street.

Alderman Dangerfield said all he was asking was that they reinstate the light.

Alderman Shaffer felt there was a need for the light at the end of the street.

Mayor White said that there are some things that need to be brought before the people concerning the building on the end of the Island.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that Council hold a public hearing next Wednesday at the Exchange Club at 8 p.m. and that the Clerk properly issue public notices in the paper.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Alderman Larosa said it is important that the Planning and Development Committee be notified individually.

Motion voted on and pass unanimously.

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Alderman Shaffer said he talked to the chairman of the Planning and Development Committee and suggested that the chairman call a meeting of the group so they can be up-to-date..

Alderman Meek asked if Sea Pines would have any representatives at the public hearing.

Mayor White said he hadn't talked to Sea Pines about the public hearing, but he will talk to Hal Ravenel about it.

Mayor White said there is a normal procedure to have the picture of the past mayor made and have it hung in City Hall.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that a committee which the Mayor will appoint be inpowered to prodecure with the painting of the portrait of the past mayor and what-ever certificate they feel is in order for the past mayor and council.

Alderman Larosa seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The committee consists of Alderwoman Preston, Alderman Casey and Alderman Dangerfield.

Mayor White has asked for a copy of Sullivan's Island ordinance on swimming in Breach Inlet.

Council was in favor of obtaining a copy of the ordinance and letting Attorney Guerard look it over.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White

J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, August 14, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Meek, Preston, and Shaffer.

Absent were Alderman Larosa and Attorney Guerard.

Mayor White introduced Mr. Max Capper, who wanted to speak to the council.

Mr. Capper reported that the Moultrie News and the Evening Post stated a new bridge would be coming to the Isle of Palms between 23rd Avenue and 25th Avenue. He had a petition showing that the residents were not in favor of the bridge location.

Alderman Dangerfield said that in the minutes to the meeting the highway department had with the islands' representatives it did not state that the alternative bridge was between 23rd Avenue and 25th Avenue.

Mr. Capper said that this was true; but three people came out in the newspaper and say that the alternative bridge would be between 23th Avenue and 25th Avenue.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Sally Scott had made the wrong motion. They could not make any motion saying build a bridge. All they could do was say they would see about building a bridge. Representative Dangerfield wrote a letter to the Moultrie News explaining the situation. Alderman Dangerfield explained that there has to be a public hearing on the bridge before anything could be decided.

Mayor White said he has been trying to contact the Sea Pines Company and request they leave enough room beyond 41st Avenue so a road could be brought in without displacing anyone.

Alderman Shaffer stated that Sea Pines does not own the property at 41st Avenue; the Beach Company does.

Mayor White said they would do what they could to clarify the matter about the bridge coming in between 23rd and 25th Avenue.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Playground Commission bought an air hockey machine (total cost \$326.64). This machine will be free for the kids. Alderman Dangerfield also reported that Mr. Bill Fesperman, General Director of the YMCA, who was on the Playground Commission was transferred to Asheville, N.C. and he has handed in his resignation. The Commission had come up with Jim Kizer to replace Mr. Fesperman.

Mayor White told Alderman Dangerfield that they would discuss the matter of the replacement later.

Alderman Dangerfield reported he received a letter from Jim Matthews and J.C. Long concerning the Exchange Club wanting to put two portable toilets on the picnic grounds. Alderman Dangerfield wanted to know if anyone else knew anything about it.

It was discussed that the Beach Company took the picnic ground back, but the City does maintain the ground.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that the correspondence be referred to the Exchange Club.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that he met with Mr. Brigham and Mr. Dukes from the highway department about marking the front beach off for parking spaces. They also came up with eleven things dealing with the stop signs on the Island. The state does not allow four way stops, all the avenues are suppose to have stop signs and Ocean Blvd. and Carolina Blvd. are not suppose to have stop signs. Alderman Dangerfield said he mentioned that there are a lots of children on Carolina Blvd., so the highway men said they would go along and put a stop sign every two blocks on Carolina, but then there could not be a stop sign at the avenue.

Alderman Avant asked if the stop signs were on state property.

Alderman Dangerfield said the signs were put up by the state and the roads are state roads.

Mayor White was concerned about there being no stop signs on Ocean Blvd.

Alderman Shaffer said the Planning Commission had wondered if it was permissible to put pedestrian crosswalk guaranteeing the pedestrians the right of way. The Planning Commission had come up with this idea in reference to Palm Blvd. past 21st Avenue.

Alderman Dangerfield said he would find out from the highway department.

Alderman Avant read the city ordinance stating it is the police chief's authority to make special regulations and erect signs.

Mayor White said he understood the City had the right to regulate traffic, but the state is trying to conform the traffic on the east side of the Cooper.

Alderman Shaffer didn't think our ordinance would stand up against the state.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council withhold any action of any kind on this matter until the Police and Traffic Committee has had an opportunity to confirm what the City's rights are.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield said he mentioned to the highway men about the median in front of the 7-Eleven store and they said all they could do is cut a piece of the median out to make a left turn into the store.

Alderman Dangerfield said the Planning Commission is going to write a letter to Representative Dangerfield, who will then get the highway department to cut the median.

Alderman Shaffer said the letter had already been written.

Alderman Casey wanted to know what could be done about the bushes that obstruct the view, that are next to the gas pump.

Mayor White thought the property belonged to the Beach Company and he will talk to someone about having them removed.

Alderman Dangerfield said that a man from Amick Equipment Company is suppose to talk to Mayor White about the financial arrangement on the garbage truck. The packer is in and is being put on the truck.

Alderman Shaffer reported that the Planning Commission had their second meeting. The item of business was the discussion on the median in front of the 7-Eleven Store, and the Commission recommended that what could be done should be done. The Commission received letters in response to a letter they sent out asking for suggestions on how to improve the Island. The Planning Commission passed a motion that the presidents of the clubs and churches be invited to the next Planning Commission Meeting. In the meantime they have been asked to go to their clubs for ideas on needs of the Island; also the Planning Commission wanted the Council's committees suggestions for small needy projects.

Alderman Shaffer said the last time he talked to Mr. Charlie Way, Mr. Way had talked to Mr. Long and wanted Alderman Shaffer to related to council Mr. Long's interest in selling the Isle of Palms Water Company. The Planning Commission has a sub-committee to study the water and they have offered to assist council in investigation and studying the water company.

Alderman Casey made a motion that the Planning Commission's sub-committee on water be granted the permission to assist the city in the study of the Isle of Palms Water Company and also to consider what expansion it would take the water company to consider sewage for the Isle of Palms.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer said the Planning Commission has another sub-committee studing alternative roadways to the Isle of Palms, and the sub-committee will come to Council with recommendations of their views.

Alderman Shaffer and Attorney Guerard have had meetings with Mr. Way and the last meeting Mr. Way had an alternative ordinance; the just of the alternative was the change of the restriciton zone of 250 feet to a 50 foot zone. The Beach Company is not interested in compromising any further.

There was a discussion period concerning the sand dunes ordinance.

Alderman Shaffer read the title of the two ordinances.

Mayor White asked if these bills should be passed.

Alderman Preston requested a roll call vote.

Alderman Casey seconded the request.

Alderman Avant - no
Alderman Casey - yes
Alderman Dangerfield - yes
Alderman Jernigan - no

Alderman Meek - yes
Alderwoman Preston - yes
Alderman Shaffer - yes

Two no's and five yes's; ordinance passed.

Alderman Avant reported that the Board of Fire Masters are not satisfied with one of the engineers and voted in favor of asking for his resignation effective August 22, 1974. The Fire Department will be looking for another engineer.

Alderman Avant read a letter that Chief Strobel send him and Mayor White stating he has been accepted for employment with the Charleston County Sheriff's Department effective September 1, 1974; therefore tenders his resignation effective August 31st.

Alderman Avant asked permission to get Mrs. Passailaigue to advertise for a chief of police.

Alderman Meek seconded it.

Voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant said they have applications left over from when they hired the last engineer and the Board of Fire Masters will look these over before they put an ad in the paper.

Alderman Preston wanted a corrections to the minutes of the last meeting. She was not shown present in the minutes when she was at the meeting. There was no further corrections to the minutes.

Mayor White wanted to know how the council felt in reference to the ordinance passed by Sullivan's Island on swimming in Breach Inlet.

Alderman Shaffer was not in favor of such an ordinance; but stated that the people should be warned of the hazardous condition, which the city is doing in forms of signs.

Alderman Jernigan, Alderwoman Preston, Alderman Dangerfield, and Alderman Avant agreed with Alderman Shaffer.

Alderman Casey stated that the warning signs needed painting.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that the city enforce the existing law of no fishing from the bridge.

Mayor White explained that the signs have been removed, and the state does not enforce the law.

Alderman Meek wanted to know the situation on the E.M.S.

Mayor White said he had talked to the people and the Isle of Palms is going to get an E.M.S. truck.

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Mayor White explained he wanted another party on the Playground Commission to break the way the Commission is riding. He nominated Mrs. Thelma Spears to serve on the Playground Commission.

Alderman Dangerfield asked for an executive session of Council since Mrs. Spears was present.

Council went into executive session, the regular council meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk-Treasurer

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, August 28, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Casey, Dangerfield, Larosa, Preston, Shaffer and Attorney Guerard.

Absent were: Aldermen Avant, Jernigan, and Meek.

Alderman Dangerfield said he talked to Mrs. Mathis and Mrs. Johnson of the Garden Club and told them that the City only made \$104 this year on the collection of paper and glass. Both Mrs. Mathis and Mrs. Johnson agreed with Alderman Dangerfield that for one month have the paper and glass brought to the City Hall and stored until there is a truck load; then take it to the recycle center. They are going to advertise the collection at the City Hall more. When a month is over they will decide what is the best way for the paper collection.

Alderman Dangerfield asked if anything had been done about the selling of the old garbage truck and police crash wagon.

Mayor White said that no one has done anything about them at this time and there is no use of letting them rust when the City could get some value from them.

Alderman Shaffer said that one vehicle belongs to the police department and the other vehicle belongs to the sanitation department, the two committee chairmen should get together and jointly dispose of the vehicles.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that Aldermen Avant and Dangerfield get together and make a joint agreement to dispose of both vehicles.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield made a motion to spend \$65.00 to repair the warning sign at Breach Inlet that has been torn down.

Alderman Shaffer seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield explained that on August 26th, Tom Manigault picked up the refuse from the porch at 27-21st Avenue as he had been doing for 18 months. New residents, the Carters, had moved in unknowing to Mr. Manigault. Mr. Manigault picked up the items that were put where he had been picking up the refuse. Alderman Dangerfield had a list of the missing items that Mr. Manigault took for refuse which totaled \$268.41.

Mayor White said the City's insurance company had been notified.

Attorney Guerard asked if the Carters had home owners insurance.

Mrs. Passailaigue didn't know.

Attorney Guerard said he would check into this matter.

Alderman Larosa reported that the Revenue Sharing Actual Use Report on how the money for Entitlement #4 had been used has been completed and sent to Washington.

Alderman Larosa wanted to know if arrangements had been made for the payment of the new garbage truck.

Mayor White said he would find out some information and meet with the Ways and Means Committee and Council.

Alderman Larosa had a 10 year breakdown of the City's disbursement and income showing the jump of the disbursement. He suggested that the committee's chairmen study their department under this breakdown. Alderman Larosa said there has been a growth of 450 homes and an increase in disbursement of 450% and the City was still trying to operate on 55 mills.

Alderman Larosa gave each aldermen a profit and loss statement that Neal Meyer, the City's auditor, made up. It shows where the City stands for the first half of 1974.

Alderman Larosa had received a letter from Mr. Charlie Way withdrawing his 30 day notice the Beach Company would give the City before they remove sand from the beach.

Attorney Guerard stated that any removal of sand from the beach is unlawful.

Alderman Larosa reported on the Regional meeting. The meeting was basically on the waste water treatment facility study. All the municipalities east of the Cooper had gone together on the resolution. The City needs to send its signed resolution in.

Mayor White said that the Police Commission is reviewing applications for Chief of Police.

Alderman Shaffer wanted to know if an acting chief had been named until a chief was appointed.

Mayor White said he had talked to Alderman Avant and the Police Commission about this situation.

Council agreed with Mayor White to make Cpl. Haselden the acting chief until a new chief is appointed.

Attorney Guerard asked if Mr. Dudley's car had been repaired.

Mayor White answered no.

Attorney Guerard said he would go ahead and submit a claim, and also put in a claim on loss of use while the car is being repaired and a depreciation claim.

Attorney Guerard said the Engrossed Bills Committee spent a good deal of consideration on the sand dunes ordinance and every effort was put forward in the best of

faith to attempt to consider all the needs of the interested involved. A more than ample consideration was given for a compromise as far as any conflict.

Alderman Shaffer expressed his appreciation and council's appreciation for the work that Attorney Guerard did on the sand dune ordinance.

Alderman Shaffer officially presented the sand dunes ordinance from the Engrossed Bills Committee to Mayor White for ratification.

Mayor White signed the ordinances and Mrs. Passailaigue signed and put the City's seal on the ordinances.

Mrs. Mizell thanked the Council on behalf of the citizens of the Isle of Palms for enacting the sand dune ordinance.

Alderman Shaffer informed Council that J.C. Long requested a certified copy of the sand dune ordinance and a copy of the minutes on how each member voted on the ordinance.

Mayor White said he was told that the building inspector had requested the Gulf Dredging Company to get a permit to install a 24 inch pipe in the new section of Forest Trail. They wanted to know if it was necessary for them to get a permit since they were doing the construction. They are installing pipe and not leaving the ditches open.

Mayor White didn't feel the Gulf Dredging Company needed a permit.

Alderman Shaffer said they are not talking about a building permit; but are talking about a utility company performing a utility service.

Alderman Casey asked if there would be any problems about the state taking over the drainage system because it might not meet specification; and what about the roads.

Alderman Dangerfield said his father saw the road in the new Forest Trail that still belongs to J.C. Long. It is a good road and the state would take it over if they paved the driveways to the houses.

All the councilmen agreed that a permit was not needed to lay the pipe.

Mayor White asked Council to think about members for the new control board.

Attorney Guerard stated the sooner the City gets a board and rules the better it will be.

Attorney Guerard said at least one member shall be a council member and with this being a new board council might want more than one council member on the board.

Mayor White had a copy of the letter sent to Representative Dangerfield from Paul W. Cobb, State Highway Engineer, stating they are proceeding with the improvements along the present S.C. route 703 to Sullivan's Island. The engineer has been requested to proceed with the necessary actions on the development of the project.

Alderman Larosa felt that 7 members, instead of 6, would be better on the control board.

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Attorney Guerard said that this was discussed at another meeting but nothing was done about it.

Attorney Guerard said that under the control board rules they appoint a chairman and under their own rules they could say the chairman could not vote unless there is a tie.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk-Treasurer

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, September 11, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, Shaffer, and Attorney Guerard.

Absent was: Alderman Avant.

The minutes to the last meeting stand as read.

Alderman Larosa reported that the Ways and Means Committee and Attorney Guerard met with a gentleman from the First National Bank anticipating a tax anticipation loan for the first of the year. They discussed the outstanding balance of \$9,000 on the garbage truck and the possibility of a loan of \$30,000. Ways and Means wanted to see if the City could get an advanced commitment from the bank at this time so the money would be there if the need arose in January. The bank requested that the City put it on paper, in the form of the two documents that Attorney Guerard drew up - "Statement of Purpose" outlining the fact that the City has raised its millage to meet the indebtedness of the first part of the year; and "Resolution" which is a request for \$9,000 to pay off the balance on the garbage truck. The documents need the signature of all of council. The documents will go back to the bank and the loan committee. The City should have an answer in a few days if the loan is approved.

Alderman Larosa reported that the Planning and Development Commission met and discussed the upcoming consolidation. The Commission is making preparations to call an open meeting at the Exchange Club on Monday the 30th to discuss consolidation. Ron Hightower will check into the wording of the amendment to see how it will be stated on the ballot and then explain it to the people on the Island. This open meeting will be a meeting called by the Planning Commission and not Council.

Mayor White said he has an invitation to appear on the Cheryl Harleston program October 2nd concerning consolidation.

Alderman Larosa asked Mayor White if he had heard anything about Sullivan's Island having a meeting on consolidation.

Mayor White had heard nothing about it.

Alderman Dangerfield asked if the Planning Commission received the letters from the Sanitation and Playground Committee.

Alderman Shaffer said that Mr. Martin had the letters at his home; they did not have them at their meeting.

Alderman Shaffer asked if any of the other committee's chairmen had any suggestions to give to the Planning Commission.

Alderman Casey said that the committee to have the ex-mayor's portrait painted might have to go to Ways and Means to see about funding the project. The committee has not had a formal meeting but shortly they will let council know how much it will cost.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the Playground Commission met and have changed their meeting dates to the third Tuesday of each month.

Alderman Dangerfield said that the Street Light Committee met and received a letter from Ronald Hale of 3902 Waterway Blvd. requesting a street light. To put in a street light at 3902 Waterway Blvd. would cost \$7.75 per month which is \$3.00 extra because of underground wiring. Alderman Dangerfield had written a letter to John Dunkelberg requesting a complete survey on the Isle of Palms of street lights. The survey will take six weeks to decide where lights are needed. If they hold off on the light at 3902 Waterway Blvd. until the survey is finished they might find that threelights are needed in that area; and if all three lights are put in at the same time it will not cost extra.

Alderman Dangerfield made a motion that Council put a street light at 4000 Waterway Blvd. at the normal cost of \$3.75. There is no street light from 3600 block of Waterway Blvd on down.

Alderman Shaffer asked if the Street Light Committee have the power company any guide lines for the light survey.

Alderman Dangerfield said they told them they wanted one light for every six houses; except where extra lights are needed.

Alderman Preston asked what was the closest light to 4000 Waterway Blvd.

Alderman Dangerfield answered there is a light at 3600 Waterway Blvd. and the next light is on 41st Avenue.

Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion for a new light.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Dangerfield explained that the Sanitation Committee met and are trying to come up with some general working conditions for the department. They hope that the other departments will come up with some working conditions.

Alderman Shaffer asked Alderman Dangerfield where the working conditions were taken from.

Alderman Dangerfield said that they were generally combined from the state and county.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that the working conditions report be referred to Ways and Means and the other committees pass on their own recommendations.

Alderman Dangerfield seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer asked if Council should go ahead and take action on the two documents for the bank. Alderman Shaffer read both documents.

Alderman Shaffer explained that the wise thing to do is establish a good working relationship with one bank, and in order to do this the bank is asking for information as in the "Statement of Purpose".

Alderman Shaffer said that Ways and Means is asking council to endorse the recommendations of Ways and Means to take the bank action.

Alderman Jernigan asked Attorney Guerard if the bank asked for this particular wording in the "Statement of Purpose".

Attorney Guerard replied yes.

Alderman Jernigan was not infavor of the last statement.

Attorney Guerard said the reason the bank asked for it was because they were told less than the truth in prior dealings.

Alderman Shaffer said the bank is not asking us to tell them we'll do business; but merely letting them know we'll do business.

Attorney Guerard said this is not binding; it is just a statement of mutual obligation.

Attorney Guerard explained that the tax anticipation is not an annual renewable note. The City has to fully pay it back in 1975 for the bank to consider the City a healthy financial risk.

Alderman Shaffer had made the motion to accept the documents in effect by reading the resolution.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion to sign the documents.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Mayor White and Council signed the "Resolution" and "Statement of Purpose".

Alderman Shaffer asked if there was a report from the Police Commission.

Alderman Jernigan said that the Police Commission had a meeting Monday night and agreed to put off hiring a police chief for two more weeks.

Attorney Guerard reported the incident involving Officer Robinson breaking up a fight at the Teen Dance at the Exchange Club and that the Police Commission met and had an initial inquiry exonerated the officer. Attorney Guerard has look into this matter and has talked to the attorney of the Watson boy, who is making the claim. The attorney wants the names of the witnesses and if they tell him what Attorney Guerard told him about the incident, then he will not pursue the case.

Alderman Shaffer said that Council should consider a committee for the purpose of handling this type of incidents and for this committee to formualte a standard policy that could be approved, and when claims are presented this committee would be available to act, other than wait till the incident comes to a head. He cited a similar problem the Sanitation Department had. All departments would report all questionable situations to this committee. The committee would consist of members from the Police, Sanitation, and Playground Committees.

Alderman Jernigan asked what was wrong with each committee handling their own problems.

Attorney Guerard said that the Police Commission might need to handle the problems from another point. If an officer was wrong, then the commission would be more concerned in disciplining the officer,

Alderman Shaffer made a motion to authorize Attorney Guerard to deny the claim against Officer Robinson.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer said if there is no uniform approach there would be four different set of policies for each committee on the same basic set of facts.

Alderman Shaffer said the City will have to adopt a policy where every department will know that any time a questionable situation occurs, they are to contact the committee chairman and turn it over to him.

Attorney Guerard asked about the Carter's case where the garbage man took some articles off the porch.

Mayor White said the City's insurance company had requested a copy of the articles missing, but the City has not received any reply. He said it would be wise and wait and see what the insurance company will do.

Alderman Shaffer said the City owes the Carters something for the loss that the City caused. Alderman Shaffer made a motion that the Carter incident be turned over to somebody and honor the claim. He didn't think that the City had any insurance coverage to cover this incident.

Mayor White didn't know who to turn it over to except Attorney Guerard.

Alderman Meek seconded Alderman Shaffer's motion.

Motion voted on and passed unanimously.

Alderwoman Preston and Alderman Meek felt that a committee to handle problems and claims would be good.

Attorney Guerard felt that the committee should consist of three council members.

Alderman Shaffer suggested that Council table this idea for a claims committee until the next meeting so everyone could think about it.

Alderman Larosa had a resident call him about the sand dunes ordinances. The resident had 500 feet behind his home and wanted to cut down some of the dunes behind his home where the water stands. The ordinance states 250 feet, but the man does not own the house; he is infringing on someone else's property. What does the City do.

Attorney Guerard said the matter would be between the resident and the land owner.

Attorney Guerard said that all the council members received a copy of the letter from Mr. Long. Attorney Guerard asked that Council not make any statement in regards

to opinion on the ordinance as far as what their individual interpretations are. Attorney Guerard hopes that a lots of Mr. Long's questions will be answered when a committee is formed and they have their rules and procedures.

Alderman Casey wanted to know if the sub-committee of the Planning Board has made a report on the bridges.

Alderman Shaffer replied no.

Mayor White said that Mr. Darby from the power company had talked to him concerning passengers on the buses having to have the exact change for the bus fare. He also talked to him about the enrichment program and wanted to know if the City was going to help sponsor it again.

Council had already agreed to sponsor this program at another meeting.

Mayor White asked for an executive session because there was some personalities to deal with concerning the Beach Control Board.

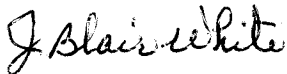
Alderman Shaffer moved that Council go into an executive session.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Elaine D. Torres
Assistant Clerk



J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, September 25, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Preston, Shaffer and Attorney Guerard.

Absent was Alderman Meek who was ill.

Mr. Henry White of 703 Carolina Blvd. explained to Council that people were dumping trash in the vacant lot across the street from him. The trash needs to be pushed in the hole and covered.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Mr. Littlejohn and Mr. White wrote letters about the trash in July. Alderman Dangerfield said he talked to Mr. Howe, the lot owner, and requested he move the trash, which Mr. Howe did not do. Alderman Dangerfield called the County Health Department and they said they would take care of the matter. Now the Health Department says that this is a very minor problem and not dangerous. The Health Department would even let the City dump leaves and branches in the lot if Mr. Howe would cover them. Alderman Dangerfield said that the City has done everything it can; the Health Department hasn't followed it up with Mr. Howe.

Alderman Preston asked who was doing the dumping.

Alderman Dangerfield said that Mr. Howe is rebuilding his house and dumping the old material in his vacant lot to fill the holes up.

Mayor White said the City will do what it can to stop the dumping. He told Alderman Dangerfield to talk to Attorney Guerard and see what procedures the City could use.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the last meeting, September 11, 1974.

Alderman Dangerfield said the Sanitation Department took the glass and paper to town. The City had 4,900 pounds of paper which is approximately \$49.00. He will talk to Mrs. Mathis and Mrs. Johnson about pick up procedures in the future.

Alderman Larosa reported that the bank has approved the City's request for the \$9,000.00 loan to pay off the balance on the garbage truck. He reported that the personal property taxes are in, but have not been sent out. Alderman Larosa showed Council a memo he made up dealing with business license on the Island. He wants to mail the memo with the personal property taxes. The memo is a survey stating that licenses are required and that some business do not have license to work on the Island. The memo asked the people to list the businesses that they have done business with in 1973 and 1974.

Alderman Avant thought that the memo was good, but the City needs the right party to check to see if the businesses are licensed. The City needs to set up some system to check the people after hours.

Alderman Casey moved that the survey (memo) be accepted and put into effect. Alderman Dangerfield seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa reported that the Community Planning Commission met Monday, September 23rd to discuss the public meeting which they had planned on the 30th; but Sullivan's Island is holding their meeting on consolidation on the 30th. The Community Planning Commission plans to hold their consolidation meeting on October 7th. The Community Planning Commission will select a group of speakers to talk on the pros and cons on consolidation. They also hope to have the specific wording of the consolidation amendment as it will appear on the ballot.

Alderman Larosa explained that the Community Planning Commission meetings will be conducted by Ron Hightower, vice chairman, until someone is appointed to fill the vacant position left by Mr. Martin. Alderman Larosa read the five names that the Commission wanted to present to Council to fill the vacant position.

- 1 - Gene Smith, a supervisor at G.E.
- 2 - Virgil B. Evans, who works at a television station
- 3 - Hal Boykin, who works at channel 2
- 4 - Walter Pringle, who works at South Carolina National Bank
- 5 - Mark Fore, who works at the V.A. Hospital

Mayor White took the list of names the Commission presented and the few people he had picked to study them all.

Mayor White said he had authorized Mrs. Passailaigue to go to a Municipal Association Meeting in Columbia concerning the Wage and Hour Law, and budgeting. The meeting will be October 2nd and 3rd.

Alderman Shaffer reported that Attorney Guerard told him that the Municipal Corporation of Council is having a meeting in San Diego. Attorney Guerard had expressed an interest in attending this meeting, but is concerned about the City's financial condition. Attorney Guerard is willing to pay part of the cost himself. The registration is \$100.00, plane fare \$350.00; overall expense totals approximately \$550.00. If the City could pay \$250.00 he would take care of the rest.

Alderman Jernigan was in favor of paying the entire plane fare.

Alderman Shaffer made a motion that Council spend \$350.00 for the trip to San Diego. Alderman Avant seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Avant reported that in the past the City adopted the Southern Standard Building Code, which is enforced on the Island. The City has fire prevention codes in the old ordinances, but does not have sufficient fire preventions. He suggested that the Southern Standard Fire Prevention Code be put in the proper hands for it to be adopted. This fire prevention code is very strict. The Board of Fire Masters have discussed the code and are all for it. They suggested that it be taken before Council.

Alderman Jernigan asked if someone could brief Council on the Southern Standard Fire Prevention Code and tell the difference between this code and the fire prevention code the City now has.

Alderman Avant said he would see if he could get someone to explain the Southern Standard Fire Prevention Code to Council.

Alderman Avant explained that the Fire Department is short an engineer and the Board of Fire Masters met and have picked Marion W. Inmon, age 25, for the new engineer. Mr. Inmon had previously worked with the Isle of Palms Fire Department for approximately six months, but quit to join a police department.

Alderman Avant moved that Council hire Marion W. Inmon as permanent engineer for the City of Isle of Palms Fire Department. Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Mayor White was not in favor of hiring Marion Inmon as engineer.

All council was in favor of hiring Marion Inmon as permanent engineer.

Alderman Avant said that the Fire Department is having a benefit fish fry October 12th, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the fire station and that fire prevention week is the second week in October.

Alderman Avant reported that the Police Commission have been meeting and have scanned the applications for police chief down to three.

Alderman Avant said he was informed that two police cars needed tires and that they are out of ammunition.

Mayor White told Alderman Avant to get the tires and the ammunition.

Alderman Preston reported that she met with Mr. Cook and David Stateman from Wando pertaining to a Community Advisory Council for east of the Cooper. Mrs. Leopold, who is on the Playground Commission, attended a meeting in the north area on what the council will do. Alderman Preston understands that the council will be made up of students, teachers, and civic leaders.

Mayor White reported that Mr. Schad, the Building Inspector, is quitting. The City has three applications for building inspector - Preston Youmans, Colvin Cochrane, and Clarence Mizell.

Mayor White read a letter from Mr. Lipman inviting the mayor and council to a meeting on consolidation at Sullivan's Island. Mayor White also read a letter from Eugene Phipps from Sea Pines Company explaining he is taking over Hal Ravanel's position and would like to meet with the Council in October. Mayor White read a letter from Mrs. Owen Geer of 2206 Palm Blvd. expressing the need for a sewage plant on the Island.

Alderman Larosa met with Mr. DeHaven from the City Planning Board, who told him of large sums of money the cities can get for capital improvements.

Attorney Guerard said that Mr. Simmons from the First National Bank asked about the authorization for the mayor and clerk to sign checks. Mr. Simmons will accept a letter stating that council acknowledges that the mayor and clerk are the proper parties to sign the checks and also that Council directs the clerk to bank at First National.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council authorize the mayor and clerk of council as the two designated individuals to sign checks in the name of the City and the clerk be advised that banking transactions should be with First National of South Carolina, until otherwise instructed, and for the city treasurer to close out the accounts

with the other banks, also that Ways and Means work out the details with the clerk. Alderman Larosa seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa asked that Council stand and have a few minutes of remembrance for Mr. Wayne Martin, chairman of the Community Planning Commission.

Alderman Shaffer recommended that the mayor send a letter to the Martin family expressing his appreciation for Mr. Martin's fine work.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council go into executive session to consider appointment of the building inspector.

Meeting adjourned for executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, October 23, 1974, at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened with prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, and Attorney Guerard.

Alderman Shaffer, who had a previous appointment, joined the meeting at a later time.

The minutes to the last meeting stand as read.

Mayor White asked for the business on hand from the different committees. Alderman Dangerfield first held the floor with the Playground and Sanitation report.

Alderman Dangerfield reported on the sanitation developments. The sale of a 1969 Chevrolet truck was reported sold with the highest bid of \$530.00.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that there would no longer be home pick-up of the paper and glass from that particular project, but that the items would have to be brought to the City Hall by the people themselves. Alderman Dangerfield suggested that the money from the paper and glass sale be placed in a fund for the beautification of the island. A question was introduced by Alderman Larosa that instead of cluttering the City Hall doorway, would it not be more appropriate to find an alternate dumping place for the paper and glass. All committee members agreed. Ms. Mizell of the Garden Club offered their assistance in informing the island's residence when a more appropriate dumping place was decided.

Alderman Dangerfield also gave a brief report on a survey made on the sewage and drainage problems of the island. The survey was completed with the aid of a federal agent; with final results stating that 3rd and 4th Avenue are in the worst conditions, followed by 27th, 28th, and 29th Avenues.

Alderman Dangerfield stated for funds, a rough estimate would be around \$8,500.00 with \$6,000.00 alone needed for 3rd and 4th Avenue and Charleston Blvd.

Alderman Larosa then gave a report from the Ways and Means Committee. Alderman Larosa stated that at the present, the committee was involved in monitoring the funds brought in by the taxes. \$55,000.00 was placed in treasury bonds at the bank at 5% interest to mature December 10th. This would coincide with the payment at Bankers Trust of \$60,000.00. Also said to have on hand was the \$6,700.00 due to First National Bank to cover the commitment made by prior administration, plus \$1,300.00 interest.

Alderman Larosa, discussing Planning and Development, brought up the public meeting on the pros and cons on consolidation on October 7th at the Exchange Club. Those carrying arguments against consolidation were Mr. Alexander and Floyd Parker. Those carrying arguments for consolidation were Buddy Hankle and Mr. Meyers. The meeting was chaired by Alderman Shaffer.

Alderman Avant reported on their successful fish fry sponsored by the Fire Dept. This event, held Saturday, October 11, 1974, netted around \$950.00. Alderman Avant then asked for private council for further discussion of police business.

Mayor White read a letter from Mr. John Bourne expressing certain charter views concerning consolidation. Mayor White then asked for a unanimous support for Mr. Bourne and his council. Alderman Jerigan then suggested that we present this to the island residence as their council. Mr. Larosa made the motion and all in council favored.

Mayor White read a letter from Ms. Ben Ferguson of the Garden Club asking for position as to why there had been no response to their letter about inquiries of membership in different committees and the beach patrol.

A letter from Sara Johnson was then read concerning a problem with drainage stoppage on 31st and 32nd St. It seems that the drains had been used as a disposal for yard clean up. It was suggested that we use the police department to enforce restrictions against the problem causers as well as having the lot owners themselves inform the people before hand against using the ditches for dumping.

Mayor White then made reference to nomination for Beach Control and the Control Board. Nominees were, Ann Kurek, George Porche, Foster Clarke Maurice Updegrave, Charlie Turner, and Bill Casey as Councilman to work with the five people on the board. Alternates were John Maynard and Jack Stubbs. Joe Larosa made a motion to adopt the above mentioned. Charlie Jernigan second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor White then made appointment for the Health Board. Nominees were Kenneth Goss, Mel Martin, Betty Chaconas, Jim Colcolcough, and Tom Smythe. Alternate was Gene Smith. Alderman Larosa made motion to accept the nominees. Nancy Preston second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was introduced by Mayor White to accept Ms. Mizell as a replacement for Wayne Martin on the Planning Board. Nancy Preston made motion to accept, motion was second and passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa passed among Council members an article from "Town and County" listing question that one should ask of condominium projects. This was in preparation to the following Thursday, Oct. 24th meeting with Sea Pines.

Alderman Avant raised question as to the worth of the old police ambulance. Mayor White then relayed responsibility to Alderman Avant for further bidding instructions.

Mayor White read a letter from Ms. Frances Platt in regards to the appointment of Mr. James White to the office of police chief of the Isle of Palms.

Alderman Dangerfield moved that council go into Executive session to consider appointment of a police chief.

Meeting Adjourned for executive session.

At 11 p.m. following executive session, Alderman Shaffer moved that we reconvene the regular session of Council.

Alderman Preston was asked to record the minutes.

Mayor White recommended that Fred E. Thompson be appointed to the position of Chief of Police of the Isle of Palms.

Alderman Shaffer moved that we confirm the Mayor's appointment seconded by Alderman Jernigan. The vote was 7-1 in favor of confirmation.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
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Mayor

The regular meeting of Town Council was held at 8:00 Wed., November 13, 1974, at City Hall.

Alderman Francis Meek chaired the meeting in the absence of Mayor Blair White.

The meeting was opened with prayer.

Present were: Alderman Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Preston, and Attny. Guerard.

Mr. Meek introduced a Ms. Maggi Yergan, who attended council to make inquiries concerning laws pertaining to horses on the island. Attny. Guerard introduced the first of written ordinances and discussion followed.

Minutes from the last meeting stood as read.

Chairman Larosa gave a small but informative report from the Ways and Means Committee. A meeting was scheduled for next Wed., Nov. 20, 1974, to review the existing licenses fees. Mr. Larosa also stated that his committee would soon be working on the new 1975 budget. All committees were reported to have stayed under their 1974 budget level.

A correction was made on the Oct. Bank Statement concerning our Certificated of Deposit. It was quoted as \$25,000.00, but was of a total amount of \$60,000.00. \$55,000.00 consisted of our Certificate of Depost, drawing 5 percent interest, with \$5,000.00 in a separate savings account.

Involving the Police Dept., Mr. Avant reported that there had been island complaints concerning the need for new emergency equipment for the police cars. Also listed as complaint, was that our police cars were of too many colors. Council noted, then proceeded with the meeting.

Mr. Meek then read letter recieved by the Mayor for the City. The Trident Chamber of Commerce sent a statement billing the City of \$100.00 for renewal memebership to the Commerce. Alderman Larosa made motion to pay for the membership, Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion, majority passed the motion.

Another statement was introduced from the Municipal Assoc. of South Carolina, asking for \$512.56. The statement was turned over to the Ways and Means Committee.

Alderman Dangerfield stated that we should have received a letter from the Highway Dept. concerning the proposed bridge from Mt. Pleasant to the island. Alderman Larosa went on record as making a motion that a resolution be drawn up in favor of a fixed span bridge from Highway 703.

Nancy Preston seconded the motion. Mr. Shaffer then suggested that we (the Council) make it understood that the council itself is not against a second bridge, but the time envolved, in itself, could not permit this to be an immediate solution. Therefor, the attention was placed mainly on the expansion of the existing bridge with a possible relocation of approaching routes.

Mr. Shaffer moved that Council go into Excutive Session for the appointment of a new building inspector. Motion was seconded, and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk of Council

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

A meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Tuesday, November 26, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall to discuss the license's fees and building inspector.

Present were: Mayor White, Aldermen Avant, Casey, Dangerfield, Jernigan, Larosa, Meek, Preston, Shaffer and Attorney Guerard.

Alderman Larosa explained that the Ways and Means Committee met and interviewed four applicants for the position of building inspector. The final decision, with recommendations for the position of building inspector was Mr. Whit M. Donald, of 22-31st Avenue, Isle of Palms, who is 46 years old and has three children. He served in the Navy from 1945-1946 with an honorable discharge. He worked at the Navy shipyard. He has had 26 years experience in the building trade.

Alderman Larosa made a motion for the Ways and Means Committee that Mr. Donald be accepted for the position of building inspector. Mr. Schad has agreed to work with Mr. Donald for about a month and if Mr. Donald is accepted he will officially begin his duties by January 1, 1975.

Alderwoman Preston seconded the motion to accept Mr. Donald as the building inspector.

Alderman Shaffer said that Ways and means was not asked to select a building inspector, but to interview the four applicants; and Ways and Means felt that Mr. Donald met all the qualifications.

Alderman Shaffer said that the motion was a recommendation that Mayor White make the nomination.

Mayor White said that Mr. Whit Donald was fine with him and asked for a vote on Mr. Donald.

Motion was passed for Mr. Donald to be the Isle of Palms Building Inspector.

Alderman Casey stated that a paragraph in the minutes to the last meeting was incorrect. Alderman Casey had abstained from voting on the resolution on the bridge and the minutes stated that the vote was unanimous in favor of the resolution.

There was a discussion concerning the widening of the causeway (Highway 703) and the construction of a new bridge.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council adopt the resolution as it was written.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion, which was then passed.

Mayor White said they would delete the word "unanimously" from the last line on the first page of the resolution.

Alderman Dangerfield asked that copy of the resolution to be sent to Representative Dangerfield and the Highway Department.

Alderman Larosa reported that the Ways and Means Committee had a meeting to review the license structure. Prior to their meeting they checked with Mt. Pleasant and the City of Charleston on their license fees. Ways and Means presented an up-to-date

increase in the base rate of the licenses. The total previous license fee income for 200 establishments was approximately \$10,485 and the new license structure will yield approximately \$14,190. There has not been a license fee increase since 1968.

Ways and Means recommended that Council accept the new license structure as submitted and moved that Council immediately incorporate it into the City's ordinance.

Alderman Preston seconded the motion.

Alderman Meek wanted to know what the increase percentage wise would be on each license.

Alderman Larosa replied that the base fee would go up 50% and the sliding scale would go up 25%.

Alderman Shaffer said that the recommendation is an amendment to an ordinance and should be presented as such and voted on as a change to an ordinance.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council suspend the rules of council and have three readings of the ordinance in title only, so the ordinance can be adopted that night.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion. The motion was not passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa explained that the changes in the licenses were the base rate was increased 50% and the sliding scale was increased 25%; the motel and hotel fee was changed from a per room fee to a fee based on the gross receipts; and the bingo fee was changed 25%.

Alderman Shaffer moved that council suspend the rules of council so to have the three readings in title only of the ordinance amending Section 13-20.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Alderman Shaffer read the title of Section 13-20 three times.

Alderman Shaffer moved that the ordinance be ratified that night.

Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Alderman Larosa asked the departments to have their 1975 budgets ready as soon as possible.

Alderman Avant reported that the Boy Scouts on the Island would like some white wash.

Mayor White said the scouts have a community project and would like the City to buy some white wash so they can white wash the trees and posts around the picnic area. Mayor White also would like the scouts to clean up the area.

Alderman Shaffer moved that Council authorize Alderman Avant to purchase the necessary white wash for the picnic area.

Alderman Casey seconded the motion.

Alderman Dangerfield asked if this picnic area was J.C. Long's property and if it would be alright with him to white wash the area.

Mayor White said the City still uses the area, but J.C. Long has the right to stop it if he sees fit.

Alderman Preston wanted to know if there was any additional information from Sea Pines

Mayor White said he talked to Mr. Henry Finch a week ago, who wanted to know if the City was still trying to set up a public hearing.

Attorney Guerard said he has been meeting with the people from Sea Pines on different occasions and have been waiting for them to come up with a proposal to the City. Attorney Guerard told Sea Pines the best thing would be for them to make a formal petition to Council as to what they want.

Alderman Shaffer said the Planning Commission voted to have a sub-committee from the Planning Commission get with Attorney Guerard and agree on their thinking; then the sub-committee would contact the County Planning Board and enlist their assistance. He said that this idea had not been talked over with Attorney Guerard.

Attorney Guerard said there is a question under which zoning law the City is operating. The City should come up with a uniform zoning ordinance that would go through the full procedures and whatever modification they felt necessary; then the residents would know what guide lines they are under.

Alderman Shaffer moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Passailaigue
Marie S. Passailaigue
Clerk-Treasurer

J. Blair White
J. Blair White
Mayor

The regular meeting of the Isle of Palms City Council was held Wednesday, December 11, 1974 at 8 p.m. in City Hall.

Mayor White opened the meeting with a prayer.

Present were: Mayor White, Alderman Dangerfield, Jernigan, Meek, Preston and Attorney Guerard. Also present was Alderman Larosa.

Absent were: Aldermen Avant, Casey and Shaffer.

Mayor White read a letter from Mr. Clay Cable asking to appear before Council in reference to the present plans for the new bridge and the widening of Highway 703. He is opposed to the present plans. He will be invited to appear at the next Council meeting.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that the state has requested right of way on 47th, 49th and 50th Streets. These are to be paved and taken into the state highway system. Forms carrying the signatures of the mayor and members of city council are needed before work can begin.

Motion was made by Alderman Dangerfield that the resolution be accepted.

Alderman Meek seconded the motion .

Motion voted on and passed.

Alderman Dangerfield reported that there had been numerous complaints about the lack of a street light at 34th and Palm Blvd., which is the main entrance to Forest Trail. This had been discussed earlier at a streets and lights committee meeting, and a recommendation was made by them to install a light there.

Motion was made by Alderman Dangerfield to accept this recommendation.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Jernigan.

Motion carried.

Alderman Dangerfield asked for an executive session after the regular meeting to discuss his playground report.

Alderman Larosa gave a very encouraging ways & means report on the financial condition of the city. The money is now available to pay the tax anticipation loan of \$60,000.00. He made a motion that we now pay this loan.

Motion seconded by Alderman Jernigan.

Motion carried.

Alderman Larosa reported that the forms for business license are to be sent out next week. The city will realize some revenue from this beginning in January.

Alderman Larosa stated that he had the proposed budgets for the Playground, Streets & Lights and Sanitation Departments., but he still needs the budgets from the Police and Fire Departments.

Mayor White reported that the city owes Mr. J. G. Long the sum of \$809.05, this is a refund on over payment of taxes., for the year 1973.

Alderman Larosa moved that we pay Mr. Long.

Alderman Jernigan seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Alderman Meek made a motion that the Christmas bonus and turkey given to city employees in the past be continued.

Alderman Larosa seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Alderman Larosa moved that the dues to the Municipal Association in the amount of \$512.00 and the dues to the Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$100.00 be paid.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Preston.

Motion carried.

Ways & Means requested, however, that this bill not be paid until after the first of the year.

Mayor White reminded Council that they still owed Wando School \$1800.00 for our part in the night classes held for adults.

Alderman Larosa reported on the Planing Board meeting. They had discussed several ideas for helping better the island, such as a better way to handle garbage pick-up. They also discussed the public hearing concerning the fixed span bridge proposed to replace the Ben Sawyer Bridge. They recommended that the city do all it can to publicize this meeting scheduled for some time in the first of the year and to encourage residents to attend and support the proposed plan. It was noted that Sullivan's Island had reversed its decision and now supports the present plans.

Mayor White reported that we will be changing radios in the police cars and that the cost would be approximately \$1,000.00. He stated the reason for changing over was so that we would be tied in with the county and state police systems as they were changing frequency bands. This will give the police much better coverage in case of emergencies. The possibility of placing the old ones up for bids after the switch-over is completed was discussed.

Mayor White reported that the estimate on painting and repairing the police cars was approximately \$1,000.00.

Alderman Dangerfield said that bids were now being taken on sand blasting and painting the garbage trucks.

Alderman Larosa suggested that it be made a policy that all city owned vehicles be placed on a regular maintenance check-up for things such as brakes, etc. This would be a savings to the city as it would prevent many major repairs.

Attorney Guerard presented the idea of the need for some type of metal screens to be placed in the police cars as a safe guard to our policeman.

Alderman Preston reported for Alderman Casey that he had talked to Mrs. Virginia Bolton about painting a portrait of former Mayor Joseph Hamer. She will charge \$350.00 to paint the portrait. He requested that the council appropriate \$500.00 for this. This would take care of the cost of the portrait, framing and the plaques for the former councilmen. Other artists are to be contacted for bids.

Mayor White reported on a request from Sea Pines for zoning of the end of the island. Attorney Guerard then led an informative discussion on the different aspects of this request and other pertinent facts.

Mayor White read a letter from Mr. Robert Scarborough pledging his support for the fixed span bridge.

Mayor White stated that he had received a letter from Mr. Burkett in reference to adding 164 acres of beach land owned by Mr. J. C. Long, to the tax records.

Mayor White then requested that the Council go into executive session to discuss a bill received from Mr. Avant for the balance due on the tennis courts.

Motion was made by Alderman Larosa to waive the last meeting of the year as this would fall on Christmas Day.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Meek.

Motion carried.

Meeting went into executive session, the regular meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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