

**CITY OF DASHER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 3, 2008**

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Kenny Allen

Ronnie Lieupo

Charlie Stewart

Julian Copeland

This meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Allen. Mayor Allen gave the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance followed. There were 3 citizens who attended this meeting. Mayor Allen asked for corrections or additions to the minutes. There being no additions or corrections, Councilman Copeland made motion to accept the minutes, Councilman Lieupo seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Al Turner reported that the tentative dates for arbitration of the service delivery strategy would be at the end of this month unless an agreement can be met. Mayor Allen states the legislators have become involved now. He stated the cities are holding firm. Al then reported on residency issues as it relates to our charter.

Mayor presented the proposed FY2009 budget to the council. He announced the first public reading would be April 7 and 2nd public reading and adoption would be May 5. Mayor talked to Tommy Griffin at Gary Ziegler's office about the changes needing to be made. This notice of public reading will be advertised. There was discussion of contingencies and the process we would go through if we adjusted or amended the budget.

Citizens Concerns: Mr. Hamm asked when we would put up the fence at the park. Mayor related we needed to get some of our SPLOST VI funds built up. Frenchy reported another near accident at his house during the storm last week. Charlie Clark has looked into this matter and we will incorporate this project with the TLS project so we can use SPLOST funds. Frenchy stated he would use his own equipment to build his side up in the interim. Councilman Copeland suggested installing caution light or caution signs on the road, etc.

Mayor's Discussion – Mayor Allen discussed the mowing contracts. The council agreed to mow May-September. All will draw up new contracts and place the advertisement. The properties contract will need to be revisited to include chemical application, track spraying and flower beds. This will be discussed and decided at the workshop meeting. Al was asked how much time needed to be given to Steve Chaney. The park will be a separate contract. We will need to write Steve a letter. Mayor then briefly discussed the TLS project and use of SPLOST funds. He asked the council if they wanted to revisit the distribution of work duties. The council stated they were happy with their respective duties.

Council Concerns – Councilman Lieupo received a call from Greg Nolan who asked him what plans we had for the firehouse. Lowndes County uses the bay as partial payment for our contract. Councilman Lieupo stated he would take care of the limbs overhanging the roof where

the squirrels are using to get inside the building. If a contract was given for tree work then we can use SPLOST funds. Charlie Clark will be asked to prepare specifications of contract. Councilman Copeland reported that Earl Zipperer was almost finished with the well at the park. He also related that Mr. Hamm donated an antique Bible from the Tullis family. Councilman Smith had nothing to report.

There being no further discussion, Councilman Smith made motion to adjourn, Councilman Copeland seconded this motion and it carried unanimously. This meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Tonia S. Studstill, City Clerk