

**CITY OF DASHER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 6, 2006**

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Kenny Allen

Anita Armstrong

Charles Stewart

Julian Copeland

This meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Allen. Councilman Stewart gave the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance followed. There were 7 citizens who attended this meeting. Mayor Allen asked for corrections of additions to the minutes. There being none, Councilman Stewart made motion to accept the minutes with the correction, Councilman Copeland seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There was no report from Al Turner.

Mayor Allen read the proposed amendment to FY2006 budget. He announced that this notice of intent to adopt was advertised in the Valdosta Daily Times. There was also a copy posted to the door of city hall. After the reading, Mayor Allen asked for discussion from council or citizens. There being none, Councilman Copeland made a motion to approve the amendment to FY2006 budget, Councilman Stewart seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor's Discussion – Mayor Allen announced that DOT was paving .13 miles of our road starting at intersection at city hall to Johnston Road. Councilman Copeland asked if we could ask the contractor to finish old US 41? Mayor Allen stated he would send a copy of proposal to Charlie Clark so he could get the contractor's bid. We have SPLOST funds to spend on that project. He stated that this was one of our most heavily traveled roads. He then announced that he received a bid from Flythe Land Maintenance for the upcoming spraying for mosquitos. He will spray for \$260 every 2 weeks. The council agreed to renew this contract. Mayor Allen announced that the city had purchased the Wisenbaker property and plans for a city park. There is grant that the city is applying for to help with park expenses. Councilman Copeland announced that he has plans being submitted for metal roof and pavilions.

Council Concerns - Councilman Copeland announced that he has received an estimate for re-roofing the Glove Company. The man is also giving quotes working inside the building and outside the building as well. The Mayor stated our Dasher Day Celebration would be October 21 from 12 noon until 4 p.m. We will have carriage rides for 2 hours as well as barbecue plates again this year. Councilman Stewart asked about the ditch on Johnston Road and the possibility of closing the portion of Johnston Road at the location of our proposed park. Mayor Allen asked if we wanted to pursue closing this portion of Johnston Road? All agreed but Councilman Armstrong expressed her concern that her road, which would be used if Johnston Road was closed, is not wide enough for 2 lane passage and that the road now is right at her driveway. Georgia Christian School foundation owns the other side of property which is a possibility to widen the road if we get the okay from DOT to close it. Councilman Armstrong stated she was

okay with suggestion if the road problem is resolved. Councilman Armstrong then announced that James Rosenbaum took care of re-posting the sign on Ben Hill Road.

Citizen Concerns – There was a complaint of emergency vehicles not being able to use Johnston Road if we had a portion of it closed. Mayor Allen stated that 9-11 and all emergency personnel would, of course, be notified of the closing. A citizen asked what was the status of progress being made for repair of ditch on Glenmeade? Mr. Higgins also has concerns regarding ditch repair on Johnston Road. Mayor Allen announced that Councilman Lieupo was working on it but was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to his wife having been a wreck earlier this afternoon. They were still at the Emergency Room. Edwin Smith asked if the council would consider something along the lines of a golf cart run like Lake Park had 2 weeks ago. He also mentioned the possibility for craft booths at Dasher Day. It was agreed this was a good idea. Councilman Copeland received a railway cart from the 1950's that was at the Dasher train station. This belonged to Charles Stewart and he has donated it to the City of Dasher. Councilman Copeland is restoring this cart. Mayor Allen discussed that it was the intention of the council to have a historical museum at the old Glove Company. Councilman Copeland stated we needed to consider renaming the section of Old 41 South. He suggested "Richard Herman Wisenbaker" and "Mitch Jones" as possible names. Mayor asked him to check on the procedure of changing highway names. He also asked Al Turner for guidance on this matter. Mayor Allen then asked council and citizens if they had anything further to discuss? There being none, he adjourned this meeting to go into Executive Session for discussion of real estate. This portion of meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

This public meeting reconvened at 7:27 p.m. Mayor Allen asked if there was any other business to discuss. There being none, Councilman Armstrong made motion to adjourn this meeting, Councilman Stewart seconded this motion and this meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Submitted by:

Tonia S. Studstill, City Clerk