

PRESENT: Chairman John E. Taylor, Commissioners Lorraine Dusenbury, Percy F. Harrell and Robert E. Owens.

ABSENT: Commissioner Roy J. Boyd.

Also Present: Administrator Harold H. Baer, Attorneys James A. Bishop and J. Thomas Whelchel.

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The meeting opened with invocation by Rev. Junius J. Martin.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Owens, seconded by Commissioner Harrell to approve minutes of March 9, 1973.

Unanimously adopted.

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Mr. Paul Pritchard presented copies of a final report prepared by the Sand Dunes Advisory Committee which listed recommendations for protecting beach and dune areas in the County, particularly on St. Simons Island. He expressed the appreciation of Governor Jimmy Carter and Joe Tanner, Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, at having been called upon to provide assistance in determining methods of preserving local beaches.

Commissioner Dusenbury moved to accept this report for further study and presentation to the Joint Planning Commission for their recommendations, and that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Governor Carter and Commissioner Tanner for sending this Committee to assist the County. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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O. T. Nichols requested assistance in obtaining a building permit for his client, Mr. Ed Council, in order to build a house on a tract located off Demere Road on St. Simons Island. A building permit has been denied because the lot in question is not located on a 50 foot public street as required in the Glynn County Zoning Ordinance. Access to the property, on which a frame dwelling has been located for a number of years, is provided by a 15 foot private easement.

Ed Stelle, Director of the Joint Planning Commission, reported that a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance is being studied which would clarify the section specifying that no building permit be issued on a tract not located on a public road 50 feet in width; said amendment would exempt roads and dwellings existing prior to adoption of the zoning ordinance.

Commissioner Owens moved to grant this permit because both the private street and structure on the lot in question existed before the zoning ordinance was adopted. Commissioner Harrell seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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H. L. Rhoads complained of several conditions at the King and Prince Hotel on Arnold Road, St. Simons Island. He said that trees have not been trimmed away from the walkway leading to the beach, bumper guards have not been installed along Arnold Road, and he disapproved having Arnold Road turned into a one-way street.

The Chairman replied that the manager of the King and Prince Hotel has informed him that plans are now being prepared to construct bumper guards along the edge of Arnold Road in front of the Hotel.

In response to Mr. Rhoads' report that no recent improvements have been made at Massingale Park, and that a County Recreation vehicle was recently seen traveling on the sand dunes, Chairman Taylor replied that the FY 1973-74 budget includes funds for improvements and additions to facilities at the Park, and the Administrator will investigate reports regarding the Recreation Department vehicle.

Mr. Rhoads suggested the toll collection booth on the St. Simons Causeway be set back to the foot of Back River Bridge and one additional traffic lane added in order to expedite traffic across the Causeway. Commissioner Harrell replied that a study on such a proposal is now underway.

Mr. Rhoads disagreed with the County's method of charging Sea Island for sewerage service because they are not billed at the same rate as individual users on St. Simons Island. W. L. Mason, Consultant to the St. Simons Island Water and Sewer District, pointed out to Mr. Rhoads that he was erroneous in assuming that a contract between the County and Sea Island Company provides this service for \$10,000 yearly, stating this amount covers only the Cloister Hotel. Cottages on the Island are billed individually at a set fee rather than on a fixture basis due to the fact that Sea Island owns and maintains their own sewerage collection system, with the County maintaining a lift station and force main which carries effluent to the treatment plant.

Chairman Taylor advised Mr. Rhoads that the Commission will forward a letter to him explaining in full the operations and agreements covering sewerage treatment service for Sea Island.

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Paul Gamble requested permit, which has been denied by the County Building Official, to construct above ground fuel storage tanks at his service station located on Demere Road near Frederica Road, St. Simons.

Fire Chief W. R. Cavanaugh reported that the Zoning Ordinance prohibits above ground storage tanks in Highway Commercial Districts, and recommended the tanks be buried. Mr. Gamble declined to do this because of additional expense involved.

Commissioner Owens moved for denial and Commissioner Dusenbury seconded the motion.

Unanimously adopted.

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Joe Carter and Alvin Bryan, representing developers of Bay Bridge Subdivision, Hallmark Properties, were present regarding piping of a drainage ditch in said Subdivision.

County Engineer Don McCaskill reported cost of pipe required to be \$1,980.

Motion was made by Commissioner Owens, seconded by Commissioner Harrell, that the County install the pipe and assume two-thirds the cost, with the developer to pay the remaining one-third.

Unanimously adopted.

Mr. Carter requested a letter either to himself or the FHA in Atlanta specifying that no expense will accrue to the individual property owners.

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Public Hearing was held on application GC-19-73 which had been continued from previous meeting, to amend the Glynn County Zoning Ordinance changing from R-9 One Family Residential to GR General Residential the following described property: (Mrs. Maude T. Hyers, applicant)

An irregularly shaped tract containing 10 acres and fronting a total of 925.5 ft. on the south side of Butler Drive and 160.15 ft. on Howard Drive with an approx. maximum depth of 475 ft.; not included in above Butler Drive frontage is a 92.5 ft. by 112 ft. parcel lying 248 ft. west of Howard Drive and identified as "Mims" property on plat of survey.

Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Dusenbury and seconded by Commissioner Harrell, provided a 10 foot buffer zone be retained adjacent to adjoining properties and that final plans be approved by the Joint Planning Commission.

Aye: Commissioners Dusenbury, Harrell and Chairman Taylor.

Nay: Commissioner Owens.

Motion carried.

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Upon recommendation of approval by the County Engineer, motion was made by Commissioner Harrell, seconded by Commissioner Owens to accept the unpaved portion of Cornwall Street for maintenance.

Unanimously adopted.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Dusenbury, seconded by Commissioner Harrell to approve Financial Reports, Operational Reports and List of Vouchers issued for the month of May, 1973.

Unanimously adopted.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Owens, seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury to ratify action taken in joint meeting with the City Commission on June 12 whereby the County agreed to accept the following items from the City budget as County responsibility:

Veterans Office	\$ 600.00
Service Mens Center	1,200.00
National Guard Caretaker's Supplement	1,800.00
Joint Planning Commission	12,750.00
Patterns and Hot Line Appropriations	15,000.00
Library, General Operation	12,000.00
Utilities and Maintenance of Library Building	4,200.00
Civil Defense	1,300.00
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TOTAL	\$ 48,850.00

Unanimously adopted.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Harrell, seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury to ratify action conferring use of facilities recently vacated by the U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries at Gascoigne on St. Simons Island to the St. Simons Boating and Fishing Club, who will be responsible for maintaining same, with request made by the Commission to the Board of Directors of the St. Simons Island Boating and Fishing Club that effort be made to provide space for vessel belonging to the University of Georgia.

Unanimously adopted.

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Due to the magnitude of expense involved and the absence of Commissioner Boyd, Chairman Taylor stated that no decision would be made at this time on awarding a contract for construction of a new Glynn County Detention Center. A special meeting will be called early next week so that the award may be considered by a full Board.

Chairman Taylor noted that the new facility will be not only a detention center, but will contain juvenile detention facilities and one full floor of office space which should save the County approximately \$40,000 per year in office rentals.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Harrell, seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury, to award bid to the low bidder, Jerry Edwards Construction Company, for replacing the Fender System at Back River Bridge, Brunswick-St. Simons Island Causeway, in the amount of \$143,898.00.

Unanimously adopted.

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Commissioner Owens requested the Administrator to research the minutes and determine if rezoning of the tract on which the Red Carpet Inn is located contained any restriction regarding direct access to Highway 341 and retention of a buffer strip.

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Chairman Taylor announced that he would like to go to record in favor of the oil refinery which proposes to locate on Colonel's Island. "I feel that through the environmentalists we have today and restrictions and requirements they have on any industry coming into our community this day and time, they are definitely going to have to live up to these restrictions. Considering the situation we are in at this time with Glynco, we need these additional facilities for employment. I would definitely be in favor of the refinery coming into our area."

Commissioner Dusenbury said she would not object to this industry, but stated that very rigid controls on the method of bringing oil into Colonel's Island would be necessary and assurances would be needed that the refinery would be financially responsible for any oil spills or results due to the large fishing and shrimping industry as it would be unwise to locate one industry here that would damage an existing one.

Commissioner Harrell said he was favorable, but would like to know who the company is, how many people they will employ and what income this will represent to the local economy. He would also like assurance that they will be capable of cleaning up any oil spills they may create.

Commissioner Owens said he wished to reserve his opinion until it is learned whether the refinery wants to locate here.

City Commissioner Reginal L. Holtzendorff also expressed his support of this industry.

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The Administrator presented a letter from J. W. Clifton requesting refund of \$65.00 on building permit 4068 for Lot 14, Block G, Satilla Shores. Mr. Clifton wrote that he works at NAS Glynco and the base closure announcement came after the building permit was obtained.

The Chairman authorized the requested refund.

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The Administrator presented a letter from Moreton Rolleston, Jr. regarding his recent offer to donate money to Glynn County for the construction of a bicycle path three feet in width from Fifth Street to Fourteenth Street on the west side of Marsh Road, East Beach, St. Simons Island.

Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Harrell and seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury provided plans be approved by the County Engineer.

Unanimously adopted.

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The Administrator presented a letter from the Brunswick - Golden Isles Chamber of Commerce requesting the sum of \$5,000.00 from Causeway Funds to cover cost of special promotion and activities to attract visitors to the area.

Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Harrell, seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury and unanimously adopted.

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The Administrator presented a letter from J.E. Hulse, Jr., City Manager, requesting that the matter of the City and County sharing the State Court or the City Court in the judgeship of Judge Eugene Highsmith for certain purposes be placed on the agenda of the next Joint Meeting.

Attorney Bishop recommended that this matter be placed in line for discussion as requested, and the Administrator was instructed to put it on the agenda.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Owens, seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury, to approve expenditure of \$705.00 as Glynn County's participation in the Resource Conservation and Development Project and to authorize the Chairman to execute adoption statement of said Plan.

Unanimously adopted.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Harrell, seconded by Commissioner Dusenbury and unanimously approved to adopt the following Ordinance and to allow a 90 day grace period for all businesses to be in compliance:

GLYNN COUNTY  
BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE

An ordinance providing for business licensing and regulation under and by virtue of the Constitutional amendment adopted by the General Assembly and approved by the voters of Georgia on November \_\_\_\_, 1972, codified as 1971 Georgia Laws, Page 975, and the Acts of the General Assembly, cited as 1971 Georgia Laws. This ordinance being adopted pursuant to the terms thereof to establish business license and the license fees therefor for business transacted in Glynn County for any year beginning January 1 and ending December 31.

Be it ordained and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Glynn County, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained and adopted by the authority of the same as follows:

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

SECTION 1 - License - Required.

From and after July 1, 1973, it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in any business in the unincorporated area of the county, without first having applied for and obtained a business license as provided.

SECTION 2 - Same - Application.

The applications for business license, notices, license forms and other documents and papers necessary to the implementation and enforcement of this chapter shall be on such forms and in such manner as may be prepared by the Director of Finance or his designated employee.

SECTION 3 - Same - When fees due; terms.

All license fees and charges shall be paid on an annual basis, on or before July 1, 1973, and on or before July 1st of each successive year thereafter; unless otherwise provided for.

SECTION 4 - Same - issuance; enforcement of license regulations.

Business licenses shall be issued by the Revenue Division of the Finance Department on the forms approved by the Director of Finance. The enforcement of business license regulations shall be under the jurisdiction of the Director of Finance or his designated employees and the County Police Department under the direction of the Chief of Police.

SECTION 5 - Businesses not listed.

The Board of Commissioners of Glynn County reserves the right and authority to fix and assess other and different license fees and charges on businesses operating in the county, not hereinafter enumerated.

SECTION 6 - New businesses.

Any person beginning a new business in the unincorporated area of the county between January first and July first of each year shall pay one-half of the license fees and charges herein enumerated for the remainder of such license year, unless otherwise provided for.

SECTION 7 - Refunds.

There shall be no refunds on the business license fee when business goes out of business or where a business has ceased operation.

SECTION 8 - Penalty Failure to meet deadline.

Every person engaging in a business in the unincorporated area of the county who fails to apply for and obtain a business license within the time hereinabove provided for the obtaining of such license shall be assessed a penalty in the amount of ten per cent of the fee for such license to be paid in addition to the license fee at the time of issuance.

SECTION 9 - Violations.

Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, as defined by the laws of the State of Georgia and upon conviction thereof shall be punished for misdemeanors under the laws of the State of Georgia.

SECTION 10 - Violations - Legal remedies.

The violation of the provisions of this ordinance by any person, firm, or corporation, may be enjoined by instituting appropriate proceedings for injunction in the Courts of competent jurisdiction in this State. Such actions may be maintained notwithstanding that other adequate remedies at law exist. Such actions may be instituted in the name of the governing authority of Glynn County, Georgia.

SECTION 11 - Separate licenses required for businesses operated under several trade names.

Each person operating under various trade names must secure a separate license for each trade name used.

SECTION 12 - Fees levied.

There is hereby fixed, levied, and assessed the license fees and charges set forth in Section 14 on all persons engaging in or offering to engage in the respective trades, businesses, callings, avocations, or professions enumerated in Section 14.

SECTION 13 - No Proration of fees.

In the case of new businesses, the license fee shall not be prorated except as provided in Section 5 of this ordinance.

SECTION 14 - Fee schedule.

Editor's note - The schedule of current business license fees is not set out herein, but is on file in the office of the Department of Finance.

SECTION 15 - License inspectors generally.

License inspectors shall be appointed by the Director of Finance. It shall be the duty of such inspectors to examine into all licenses granted by the county and to do such other things as may be required of them by the Director of Finance. The license inspectors shall work under the general supervision of the Director of the Department of Finance. The license inspectors, appointed under the provisions of this section shall be vested with the power to prefer charges and to issue summons to appear in any court of competent jurisdiction to persons violating the laws and ordinance of the county as they pertain to licenses and

business regulations. The County Police Department shall also have jurisdiction in these matters.

## ARTICLE II - MISCELLANEOUS

### SECTION 16 - Posting of licenses.

All licenses issued under this ordinance shall be posted conspicuously in the place of business of the person, firm, or corporation to whom the license is issued, and upon their failure to do so, the license in the discretion of the Board of Commissioners upon recommendation of the Department of Finance shall be revoked.

### SECTION 17 - Execution of fees.

So much and such parts of any applicable ordinances heretofore passed as provided for the issuing and enforcing of execution for any tax assessment required by such ordinances, or that imposed fines or penalties for the nonpayment of such tax, or failure to comply with any other provisions hereof, shall continue and remain in force until such tax or assessment shall be fully paid, and are made applicable hereto.

### SECTION 18 - Severability.

Be it provided that if any section, paragraph or part of this ordinance shall for any reason be adjudged by a Court to be invalid, it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Commissioners to provide for separable and divisible parts of this ordinance and said Commissioners do hereby adopt any and all parts hereof as may not be held invalid for any reason whatsoever.

### SECTION 19 - Ordinance - amending.

This ordinance may be amended from time to time and all businesses, occupations, and uses, subject to said County license tax and all such licenses or license taxes are subject to such amendment.

### SECTION 20 - Exemptions.

Be it further ordained that even though a person may be exempt under State or other law from paying a license tax or fee, nevertheless, such person must apply to the Board of Commissioners of Glynn County for a free permit to engage in or carry on any business, occupation, or use herein provided for and submit proper and lawful credentials, exempting applicant from paying said County License tax, or license fee; and such applicant must comply with the County rules and regulations pertaining to or governing such business, occupation, or use; otherwise, such person, or applicant shall be subject to the penalties herein provided.

### SECTION 21 - Other laws in conflict.

Be it further ordained that any and all laws, or parts of law, in conflict with this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed; but it is hereby provided that any ordinance, law and charter provision, which may be applicable hereto and as aid in carrying out and in making effective the intent, purpose, and provisions hereof, which shall be liberally construed in favor of said County, are hereby adopted as a part hereof.

THIS IS HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 21ST DAY OF JUNE,  
1973.



County Engineer Don McCaskill reported that the County has a drainage easement in Belle Point Subdivision that has been encroached upon with fences, tool houses, etc. He added that the easement is now needed to provide adequate drainage and asked if it could be cleared.

The Chairman authorized that Public Works Superintendent Earl Davis proceed to clear the easement.

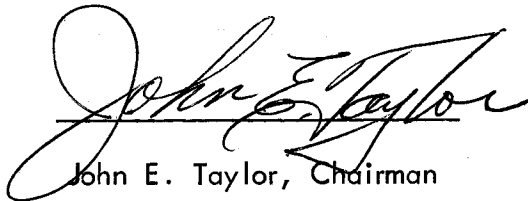
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Upon recommendation of approval by the County Engineer, motion was made by Commissioner Harrell, seconded by Commissioner Owens, to accept for maintaining Tison Street from Baumgardner Road to U.S. Highway 84; said street being 2,361 feet in length and located in College Garden Subdivision.

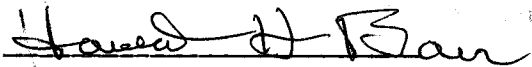
Unanimously adopted.

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Meeting Adjourned.

  
John E. Taylor, Chairman

Attest:



Harold H. Baer, Clerk