

**TOWN OF THUNDERBOLT
PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2008
6:00 P.M.**

The scheduled meeting convened with Mayor Thomas as officiator.

The Saturday, December 13, 2008 published advertisement was read aloud.

Present: Mayor Anna Maria Thomas and Commission Members: John Cheeks, Sr., Bobby J. Hardman, Beth E. Goette and David P. Crenshaw. Town Attorney, Charles W. Barrow, Town Administrator, Robert B. Thomson and Clerk of Council, Rose M. McCombs were in attendance also.

As an amendment to the agenda, Mayor Thomas announced an Executive Session to follow the public hearing concerning the Solid Waste Management Plan with remaining business to follow.

The floor was turned over to Mr. Ed DiTommaso with EPG (*Ecological Planning Group*) whom voiced tonight's public hearing as be the second of two public hearings required in the plan's adoption process. *As well requirement on tonight would include a Resolution to Transmit the (SWMP) to Coastal Georgia Regional Development Center for review.*

Mr. DiTommaso provided an overview of the Town's plan (**Document Provided and made a Part of These Minutes**). Minimum planning standards and requirements are as follows:

- Waste Disposal Stream Analysis;
- Wasted Reduction;
- Collection;
- Disposal;
- Land Limitations;
- Public Education & Involvement; and
- Implementation Schedule.

Following the overview discussion was received. Attorney Barrow gave insight to the transmittal issue.

Mr. Truitt was offered the opportunity to speak. His input is provided in document form (**Attached and made a Part of These Minutes**). Named among several concerns is suggestion of plan modification to prevent misleading information, establishment of an advisory committee and communication concerns.

Councilman Cheeks tendered motion to approve Resolution to Transmit the (SWMP) to the local agent (GA Coastal Regional Development Center) to begin its review process with provision rights to the Town of Thunderbolt to add or delete

information given, seconded by Councilman Crenshaw. Further discussion was made. Recycling matters were addressed. **Motion carried favorably.**

At this time Councilman Hardman rendered a motion to adjourn open session to enter into an Executive Session for the purpose of personnel matters, seconded by Councilwoman Goette. Motion carried.

Open session reconvened upon motion tendered by Councilman Crenshaw, seconded by Councilwoman Goette. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT:

2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

Attorney Barrow's purview was gained on the appropriate budget adoption process, which the minimal time required is two weeks. Being the document was provided just today, he recommend the process begin between now and the next regular meeting. He further stated the budget could not be adopted on tonight; yet may be addressed as informal comments.

Under guidance of Mr. Brooks Adams, Finance Director, the 2009 Proposed Budget document (**Attached and made a Part of These Minutes**) was then addressed by summary and department. Shared input was received from both Council and the public. Balanced budgets of \$2,212,770.00 are being projected for the General Fund Entity, \$652,300.00 for the Water/Sewer Entity and \$260,000.00 for the Municipal Court Entity. The latter entity is stated as actually being an Agency Fund where most expenditure will be absorbed by the General Fund. Monthly revenue gained will be transferred to the General Fund as well.

Water concerns were addressed with regards to discrepancies noted on a monthly basis when compared to pumped verses actual consumption.

Capital Projects Entity will be added to document by next presentation; however, no budgeted items exist. Revenue has been deferred for the next two years. Public Safety and Green Space Accounts are stated as containing existing revenue.

Comments were received from Councilman Cheeks regarding travel expenditure.

NEW BUSINESS:

**(2009 Renewal of Home Occupation Applications)
(Applicants are Compliant & Fees have been Remitted)**

- a) **Petitioner:** Althea Kelly, 3213 Gragg Street
Business Type: An Amazing Look, LLC (Cleaning Service)

- b) **Petitioner:** Edward M. Drohan, 2618 River Drive
Business Type: Psychology Office

Councilman Crenshaw motioned to approve Items a) and b), seconded by Councilman Hardman. Motion carried.

All business having been addressed, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose M. McCombs
Clerk of Council