

MINUTES
CITY OF MCDONOUGH
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING 3rd Public Hearing
CITY HALL – JULY 26, 2011
7:00 PM

The Special Called City of McDonough Council Meeting was held on Tuesday, July 26, 2011, at 7:00 PM with the following members present:

Mayor:	Billy Copeland
Mayor Pro Tem:	Sandra Vincent
Councilmembers:	Rufus Amis
	Monta Brown
	Gail Notti
	Wayne Smith

(Councilmember Stewart was not present for the meeting.)

Also present for this meeting were: City Administrator, Billy Beckett; City Clerk, Janis Price; Police Chief, Preston Dorsey; and Public Works Director, Lee Hearn.

Mayor Copeland called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

City Administrator, Billy Beckett discussed the Supplemental Budget. The reason for requesting a millage rate increase was for the purpose of increasing personnel in the Police, Fire, and Public Works Departments and also to hire a manager position to coordinate and develop the downtown activity. The increase would raise the millage rate from 3.45 to 4.393.

Councilmember Notti asked about the possibility of adding another Code Enforcement Officer. Mr. Beckett discussed that this could probably be done by shifting funds to have another officer if that is what Mayor and Council would like to do.

Mayor Pro Tem Vincent commented on how to get the City to the point of beginning to make investments, how to improve downtown buildings and how to improve the quality of life. Discussion ensued. Mr. Beckett discussed the accomplishments the city has done over the past couple of years.

Mayor Copeland opened the Public Hearing regarding the proposed budget and proposed millage rate increase, and asked anyone who would like to speak to come to the podium. The following citizens spoke to Mayor and Council during the Public Hearing: Mr. Avery Harvill of 107 Alexandria Boulevard and Mr. Ken Ross of 1311 O'Hara Drive. After which Mayor Copeland closed the Public Hearing.

Having no further business Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Smith motioned and Councilmember Amis seconded. The vote was five in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Janis E. Price, City Clerk