

## JANUARY PAID BILLS CONTINUED...

GEORGIA POWER	14580.68	NORTHWEST GA REGIONAL CO	240.00
PAIN EXTERMINATING LLC	360.00	CHATS WATER WORKS COMM	9423.17
KUSTOM SIGNALS INC	420.00	CONSOLIDATED DISPOSAL SYSTEMS	3567.23
ROBBY G WATKINS	320.00	JARRETT'S BUSINESS MACHINES	15.92
GSCCCA	730.20	KEEP CHATSWORTH MURRAY	2083.26
PEACE OFFICERS A & B FUND	186.41	MC COMMISSIONER - DATE	28.00
CHATS/MURRAY HEALTH DEPT	416.63	CHATS/MURRAY LIBRARY	2500.00
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	189.58	SANTEK ENVIRONMENTAL GA	1944.56
COHUTTA BANKING COMPANY	23906.93	MURRAY COUNTY JAIL FUND	206.17
VICTIMS COMP PROBATION	504.00	COURTWARE SOLUTIONS	240.00
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOL	577.00	METLIFE C/O FASCORE LLC	44.36
WELLS FARGO	180.00	LOOKOUT MTN PETERBILT	2968.83
5% VICTIMS SURCHARGE	141.07	CHAPTER 13 STANDING TRUSTEE	85.00
BABBS BODY SHOP	55.00	CINTAS FIRST AID	74.04
COMMISSIONER OF MC	3069.75	PURE UV WATER COOLERS	30.00
US DPT HOMELAND SECURITY	25.00	ROBBY G WATKINS	400.00
PEACE OFFICERS A & B FUND	260.00	LEGAL SHIELD	67.75
CHARLES M BAXTER	337.64	BANKCARD CENTER	48.12
GEORGIA POWER COMPANY	19.14	GMEBS LIFE HEALTH FUND	20413.40
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	189.58	COHUTTA BANKING COMPANY	23911.17
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SO	577.00	VERIZON WIRELESS	526.57
METLIFE C/O GASCORE LLC	44.36	WELLS FARGO	180.00
CHAPTER 13 STANDING TRUSTEE	85.00	AFLAC	1591.04
OWNBEY ENTERPRISES	425.25	CHATSWORTH PAWN	99.95
ETON AUTO PARTS	27.42	WHOLESALE SUPPLY GROUP	7.00
KING DOOR CO INC	62.00	DAN PENLAND	35.52
ROBBY G WATKINS	400.00	ICJE	225.00
NORTH GEORGIA EMC - SEDC	195.54	CITY FLORIST	56.66
PAT DENSMORE SELF	562.00	GEORGIA TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY	545.94
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	189.58	COHUTTA BANKING COMPANY	30058.30
CHEROKEE TRUCK EQUIPMENT	7242.50	NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SO	577.00
METLIFE C/O FASCORE LLC	44.36	WELLS FARGO	180.00
CHAPTER 13 STANDING TRUSTEE	85.00		

**CITY OF CHATSWORTH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 5, 2012**

The Chatsworth City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 5, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Dan Penland presiding.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dan Penland, Aldermen: Wayne Graves, Celeste Martin, Gary Brock and Fred Welch. City Attorney Steve Williams and City Clerk Wilma Nolan.

Mayor Penland called the March 5, 2012 meeting to order. Mayor Penland advised that we have an agenda before us but we will vary this a little to recognize Mr. James Ridley.

Mr. James Ridley inquired if the City of Chatsworth owns the water department. Mayor Penland replied that, yes the City does own the water department.

Mr. Ridley replied that his water bill had a \$1 transfer fee. The information that I get from them. They tell me that you told them to do it. Can you explain to me why that \$1 is on my bill as I live in the county. What is that \$1 for?

Gary Brock replied that is basically a franchise fee. Wayne Graves advised that \$1 goes to the city and the other goes to the water department. We were looking at ways to raise the revenue in the city because the taxes and economy have gone down so much. Our revenues have been going down 10-15 percent per year for the last two or three years. We are looking at different ways to raise revenue and this was one. Up until this point all the SPLOST funds have been going to the water department for sewer and water projects. The only time we are going to get any new money or revenue from the SPLOST is if the new one is renewed in the election.

Mr. Ridley, "Do you think it is fair to the people? Mr. Graves replied, "I do." People in Dalton are paying five percent to Dalton Utilities and you have people in Murray County who are on Dalton Utilities and they are paying the same five percent.

Mr. Ridley replied that the Water Department replied that it was to pay the SPLOST money that you gave them. Mr. Brock advised that this was not true.

Gary Brock responded that Georgia Power pays us a franchise fee, Charter Cable and every utility that is in the city pays us a franchise fee. And that is all we are doing is charging Chatsworth Water a franchise fee.

Mr. Ridley asked if something could be put in the paper to explain this to the people.

Steve Smith advised that basically every utility pays a franchise fee, we do not pay anything into the city funds other than this.

The Chatsworth Times advised that they had run such an article last month.

Gary Brock advised that we have invested money in the county. The citizens of Chatsworth have paid for that.

Mayor Penland advised that the city budget had been cut \$400,000 from last year to this year. The previous mayor and council have been doing the right thing.

Celeste Martin thanked Mr. Ridley for bringing up the question.

Mayor Penland advised that there had been several questions and we have tried to explain. And most people have stated they understand.

Mr. Ridley stated he was OK with the explanations.

#### AGENDA

#### MINUTES

Mayor Penland stated the agenda and minutes were before you for review and he would entertain a motion to accept these.

Gary, "So moved." Fred seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### NONE

#### NEW BUSINESS

Request the reappointment of Sam Burchfield to the Chatsworth Housing Authority for a five year term to expire March 2017 -

Gary, "I make a motion we accept Sam's reappointment." Celeste seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

Request the renewal of the annual software and hardware contract with GSI -

Celeste, "I make a motion we approve the contract." Gary seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**FINANCE:** Wayne Graves advised that all departments are within their budget for the month of February.

The Georgia Power franchise payment was up 8.1% over last year. The property tax collected is at 94%.

Gary Brock inquired of Attorney Williams if we are making any headway on the delinquent taxes. Steve was advised to speed this up a little.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Gary Brock advised that a report was available for the street and sanitation department.

Anthony West has inquired about the street that they deeded to the city and were requesting paving of this. (Funds are not available at this time.)

Peek Pavement Markings have been in and should be completed within two weeks.

They acquired four control boxes from the DOT and has inquired of the Gas Company regarding the street cuts that have been made. They are to get with Everett before they move out.

Gary Brock advised that the infrastructure committee is looking into the situation of commercial garbage pickup. We have lost over \$100,000 the last two years. We are just letting everyone be aware that we are looking and we do not know the answer just now.

Gary inquired of Steve from the water department if he had anything to add.

Steve advised they had received the first bill for gas purchases and it looks based on our initial savings of .21 cents per gallon. The plan right now is the .06 cents per gallon goes off April 1 and we have to empty the rest of the gas in the tanks and start taking the tanks out in May. Estes is who we are talking to on removing them.

We do have on big purchase, we are going to replace the bar screen at \$125,000.

We are looking at refinancing our existing GEFA loan and taking out bonds on that. Our current loans are running 4.1 - 4.5% on the three loans we have so we would like to cut that down to 2.0 - 2.5% so we could save between \$600,000-\$800,000.

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL & TECHNOLOGY:** Celeste wanted to come back to the contract with GSI. Upon scanning the detail she had questions. Discussion followed, Celeste requested to retract her motion so she could get more information.

Celeste, "Can I make a motion to set my former motion aside for further information?" Wayne seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

Celeste Martin advised that Dolley is working on amending the sign ordinance, portable advertising. She will be working with the planning commission on this matter.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Fred advised that Chief Baxter was out of town and Assistant Chief Parker is here. The monthly reports are available for review.

John Parker advised that the extracation tool is down. It has been rebuilt once. It is sent off for inspection.

The accidents have increased.

Gary Brock inquired of Chief Martin where all these wrecks were located.

Chief Martin advised that they were all around not in one particular location. We are running the radar and laser to try to slow people down.

Assistant Chief Parker advised that he had a fire truck parked up at North Park on the east side of the tracks. This project is to be completed in a couple of days. The truck will be moved back tonight due to the temperature.

Fred Welch advised the probation and police reports were available. Chief Martin advised there were no burglaries this month. There was a robbery at Mapco. There were 13 VGCSA cases.

Chief Martin advised that traffic has picked up in the mornings and evenings as well as the weekends

Mayor Penland adjourned the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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CITY CLERK

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MAYOR DAN PENLAND

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ALDERMAN WAYNE GRAVES

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ALDERWOMAN CELESTE MARTIN

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ALDERMAN GARY BROCK

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ALDERMAN FRED WELCH

**FEBRUARY PAID BILLS**

BRADLEY BUILDERS SUPPLY	377.33	CHATSWORTH AUTO PARTS	243.27
LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE	1697.58	COMMISSIONER OF MC	2593.83
KEEP CHATSWORTH MURRAY	2083.34	CHATS/MURRAY HEALTH DEPT	416.67
CHATS/MURRAY LIBRARY	2500.00	CHEROKEE TRUCK EQUIP	7242.50
ROBBY G WATKINS	400.00	MCCAMY PHILLIPS TUGGLE	314.50
GAS SOUTH	1787.18	CHATSWORTH FARM & GARDEN	245.94
ALSCO-518	454.16	FORT VIEW CLEANERS	167.10
GT DISTRIBUTORS INC	235.70	G & S OFFICE SUPPLY INC	884.99
WINDSTREAM	1305.96	GMEBS	10084.00
GSCCCA	3287.90	VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY	911.36
PEACE OFFICERS A & B FUND	751.64	MC COMMISSIONER - DATE	187.00
DALTON TRUCK INC	84.52	ADVANCE AUTO PARTS	65.82
KLEEN-A-MATIC	605.00	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	189.58
CHATS WATER WORKS COMM	8943.46	COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONICS	292.88
TRI-TECH INC	294.00	COHUTTA BANKING COMPANY	23473.72
MURRAY COUNTY JAIL FUND	1300.25	VICTIMS COMP PROBATIONS	713.00
COURTWARE SOLUTIONS	1060.61	NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	577.00
METLIFE C/O FASCORE LLC	44.36	MARMAC OIL COMPANY	2350.00
PEACE OFFICERS A & B	260.00	S & J INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	146.40
A & H SAFETY SUPPLY	159.60	WELLS FARGO	180.00
AUTOZONE/AZ COMMERCIAL	351.09	GOLD KEY LOCK & SECURITY	191.00
5% VICTIMS SURCHARGE	614.41	CHAPTER 13 STANDING TRUSTEE	85.00
CHATSWORTH TIMES	122.10	GEORGIA POWER COMPANY	15073.98
SPECIALTY GASES SE INC	22.42	KELLER OUTDOOR INC	1051.05
COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONICS	267.00	SANTEK ENVIRONMENTAL GA	2001.40
WINDSTREAM	99.41	ROBBY G WATKINS	400.00
EAGLE PARTS & MACHINERY	29.78	NORTH GEORGIA TIRE	706.67
JARRETT'S BUSINESS MACHINES	99.00	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	189.58
KELLER OUTDOOR INC	650.00	COHUTTA BANKING COMPANY	23920.61
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOL	577.00	NORTHWEST GA REG COMM	72.50
METLIFE C/O FASCORE LL	44.36	WATCHGUARD	73.00
WELLS FARGO	180.00	JARRETT'S BUSINESS MACHINES	29.67
CHAPTER 13 STANDING TRUSTEE	85.00	PEEK PAVEMENT MARKING	47499.28
WITHROW FRANKLIN KENNETH	4105.00	ROBBY G WATKINS	400.00
BANKCARD CENTER	609.72	GEORGIA POWER COMPANY	19.21

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OLD DOMINION BRUSH	455.41	PURE UV WATER COOLERS	30.00
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	189.58	COHUTTA BANKING COMPANY	23569.79
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	577.00	VERIZON WIRELESS	518.07
METLIFE C/O FASCORE LLC	44.36	ICJE	150.00
LEGALSHIELD	67.75	FIRST IMPRESSIONS PRINTING	104.00
WELLS FARGO	180.00	CHAPTER 13 STANDING TRUSTEE	85.00
AFLAC	1591.04	CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	1000.00
GMEBS LIFE HEALTH FUND	20413.40	DAN PENLAND	178.16
ROBBY G WATKINS	400.00	NORTH GEORGIA EMC -SEDC	189.85
MCCAMY PHILLIPS TUGGLE	362.00	LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE	1699.99
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	189.58	FIRE EXTINGUISHER	239.00
COHUTTA BANKING COMPANY	29050.35	NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	577.00
METLIFE C/O FASCORE LLC	44.36	WELLS FARGO	180.00
JARRETT'S BUSINESS MACHINES	25.00	CHAPTER 13 STANDING TRUSTEE	85.00