



CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA
August 25, 2008

PUBLIC HEARING ALCOHOL LICENSE
“Dalal Atrash, Inc. D/B/A Kick Back Café, Inc.”
5:45 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 P.M.

AMENDED
AGENDA

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **INVOCATION:** *Councilmember Deborah Hase*
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. **ROLL CALL** **QUORUM: YES NO**
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *August 11, 2008 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes*

PRESENTATION:

PROCLAMATION: *National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month*

CAMDEN COUNTY BOE: *Sex Education Instructional Materials Review Committee - One Appointment*

CAMDEN COUNTY HEALTH BOARD – *One Appointment*

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION – *Announcement of One Vacancy*

FINANCE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – *Jennifer Brown*

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- VI. **GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC:**
- VII. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A. **NEW ALCOHOL LICENSE:** *Kick Back Café, Inc.....TAB “A”*

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION:** *Festival Request*.....TAB “B”
- B. **RESOLUTION:** *2008 Streetlight Fee Schedule*TAB “C”
- C. **RESOLUTION:** *Motorized Carts/Multi-Use Path Point Peter*.....TAB “D”
- D. **PT. PETER WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT 4.0 MGD EXPANSION:**..TAB “E”
Resident Inspection Proposals
- E. **HVAC MAINTENANCE & REPAIR SERVICE CONTRACT:**TAB “F”
Green’s Air Conditioning & Heating
- F. **BUDGET CUTS:** *Discussion Councilmember Weaver* (**ADDED**)

IX. REPORT OF AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES:

A. **PLANNING DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

- 1. **William H. Spires:** William H. Spires, 703 Ann Street, requests a Special Use Permit to use part of his garage as a shop to maintain small golf carts and to charge batteries. The shop would be accessed from Dilworth Street. The property is zoned R-1. Tax Parcel #S31-05-002. (**POSTPONED 8/11/08**)TAB “G”
- 2. **ANNEXATION ORDINANCE:** *Brannen & Epsy’s Properties, Inc*.....TAB “H”

X. **REPORT OF MAYOR:**

XI. **REPORT OF CITY MANAGER:**

XII. **GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC**

XIII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** *Real Estate*

XIV. **ADJOURNMENT:**

CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA
PUBLIC HEARING
“Dalal Atrash, Inc. D/B/A Kick Back Café, Inc.”

August 25, 2008
5:45 p.m.

MINUTES

The Mayor and City Council for the City of St. Marys, Georgia met in a Public Hearing on Monday, August 25, 2008 in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

PRESENT WERE:

Mayor Rowland Eskridge
Councilmember Greg Bird
Councilmember William DeLoughy
Councilmember Deborah Hase
Councilmember Larry Johnson
Councilmember Chuck Trader
Councilmember Gull Weaver

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

William Shanahan, City Manager
Max Tinsley, Asst. City Manager
Amanda Blackledge, City Attorney
Roger Weaver, Planning Director
Robby Horton, Fire Chief
Donna Folsom, Human Resources Director
Wiley King, Building Director
Tim Hatch, Police Chief
Rodger Wooten, Asst. Police Chief
Bobby Marr, Public Works Director
Jennifer Brown, Finance Director
Marsha Hershberger, Asst. Finance Director
Kim Dockery, Jr. Accountant
Alyce Thornhill, Economic Dev. Director
Janet Brinko, Tourism Director
Bilal Muhammad, City Marshal
Nicole Goebel, IT Assistant
Richard Riggle, Sergeant-At-Arms

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eskridge called the public hearing to order at 5:45 p.m., and stated the purpose of the public hearing was an alcohol license application for “Dalal Atrash, Inc. D/B/A Kick Back Café, Inc.”. The floor was opened to the public for questions and/or comments.

GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

There were no questions and/or comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Eskridge declared the public hearing closed at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. Johnson, Deputy City Clerk

**CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 25, 2008
6:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

The Mayor and City Council for the City of St. Marys, Georgia met for its regular City Council session on Monday, August 25, 2008 in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eskridge called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Deborah Hase gave the invocation. Mayor Eskridge led the audience in the pledge of allegiance. Council roll call indicated a quorum of council members present for the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

August 11, 2008 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to approve the August 11, 2008 regular City Council meeting minutes. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

PRESENTATION:

MAYOR RECOGNITIONS:

Mayor Eskridge conveyed his appreciation to the public works, fire and police departments for their work throughout the recent storm. He stated that two of the City's trucks will be picking up storm debris, in addition to the Advance Disposal trucks. Georgia Power was also recognized for all of their assistance.

Mayor Eskridge congratulated Barbara Ryan for her hard work on the St. Marys Magazine. Out of 1,500 nationwide entries, Ms. Ryan has received the Golden Ink Award. She is in the category with Forbes, Seventeen and "O" Magazine. This recognition has brought St. Marys to the forefront of magazines.

Mayor Eskridge recognized Alyce Thornhill of the DDA for a \$500,000 federal grant that she has received for Gateway Behavioral Health Services. The grant will allow for expansion of their water bottling plant. As the grant is repaid the money will go into a revolving fund that can be used to fund other programs in the City.

PROCLAMATION: *National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month*

Mayor Eskridge read and proclaimed the month of September 2008 as "*National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month*". He urged all St. Marys' citizens to participate in programs and activities supporting this year's theme, "Join the Voices for Recovery: Real People, Real Recovery".

CAMDEN COUNTY BOE: *Sex Education Instructional Materials Review Committee*

Mayor Eskridge stated that an appointment is needed to fill a vacancy on the committee. One person expressed an interest in serving on the committee. Jeanie Shugart submitted a letter noting her qualifications. Councilmember Johnson spoke of those qualifications.

Councilmember Trader made a motion to nominate Jeanie Shugart. Councilmember Bird seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.

CAMDEN COUNTY HEALTH BOARD – *One Appointment*

Mayor Eskridge announced for a second time, the vacancy on the Camden County Health Board. No letters of interest were submitted following the last council meeting. The Mayor urged any interested persons to send a letter to the City Clerk.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION – *Announcement of One Vacancy*

Mayor Eskridge announced that Mr. Whitacre will be moving, creating a vacancy. Anyone who is interested should submit a letter to the City Clerk. The appointment will be added to the agenda of the next council meeting.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Finance Director presented the 1-month (July) report on the General, Water/Sewer, Solid Waste, Tourism, and Special Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Funds. She noted a correction on the SPLOST expense analysis. For six, the totals should be zero. However, the excess number is correct. She noted that the \$240,000 under the restricted budget fund equity is funds that the general fund loaned to the SPLOST fund to keep it operating. It is in that location so that it may be taken back out. A copy of the finance report is attached as part of the minutes.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Eskridge stated that he would like to withdraw the Downtown Merchant's Association item "A", per their request. Councilmember DeLoughy requested to add a legal matter to the executive session. Councilmember Hase made a motion to amend the agenda with the corrections. Councilmember Weaver seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC:

The Mayor commented that there had been a budget meeting at which a lot of items were discussed. He stated that hopefully another budget meeting would be scheduled later in the meeting. He requested that any citizen who had a comment to make about the budget come to the meeting to hear what is said, and then make comments if they wish.

Michael Gibbs, 705 Ann Street, presented a letter to the Mayor and Council Members thanking them for their time and consideration given to the issue of a special use permit request by his neighbor at 703 Ann Street. The letter also addressed City codes that he felt applied to the special use permit request.

William Sloan, 1601 Point Peter Road, read a prepared statement concerning an article in the newspaper last week about proposed budget cuts. A copy of the statement is attached to these minutes.

Gene Hope, 102 Rudolph Terrace, inquired about why the boat ramp was still closed after the storm. Mr. Shanahan and Mr. Marr advised that there was damage from the storm, the gangway down to the floating dock was ripped off. Mr. Shanahan was instructed to investigate and open the boat ramps if they do not pose a safety hazard.

Walt Natzic, 209 Osprey Circle, addressed the upcoming vote on the motorized cart resolution. He read an excerpt from a recent Times Union newspaper article. The article stated that the use of motorized carts could become permanent after the trial period. Mr. Natzic inquired if the use of the carts on the Point Peter Road sidewalk will be temporary as per the resolution, or if it is going to be permanent as per the newspaper. He stated that he would like to see the use terminated after the trial basis. Or, in the process he would like steps to be taken to make a legal change from it being a sidewalk. Mr. Natzic would also like the legal use of the sidewalk by motorized vehicles, per federal laws, to be checked into.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. NEW ALCOHOL LICENSE: *Kick Back Café, Inc.*

The City Manager stated that the purpose is to approve the addition of a spirituous liquor license for Dalal Atrash, Inc., D/B/A Kick Back Café. At the last meeting, City Council approved advertising for a public hearing on August 28, 2008 at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall. The hearing was duly advertised in the local newspaper and held prior to this evening's Council meeting.

Having met all requirements, the City Manager and staff recommend approval of the spirituous liquor license in addition to their beer/wine license for consumption on-premises, with food for Dalal Atrash, Inc. D/B/A Kick Back Café.

Councilmember Bird made a motion to approve the new alcohol license for Dalal Atrash, Inc. D/B/A Kick Back Café. Councilmember Weaver seconded the motion.

Councilmember Hase noted for the record that about 17 citizens objected by petition or email. The main objection she heard was the type of adult entertainment in conjunction with hard liquor.

Voting was recorded as follows:

For
Councilmember Bird
Councilmember DeLoughy
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Trader
Councilmember Weaver

Against
Councilmember Hase

NEW BUSINESS:

A. DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION: *Festival Request*

This item was withdrawn at the request of Doug Vaught, President of the Downtown Merchants Association.

B. RESOLUTION: *2008 Streetlight Fee Schedule*

The City Manager recommended approval of a fee of \$1.00 per month, per residence or business to help fund the electricity required to operate streetlights located throughout the City. Council authorized a fee be charged for residents and businesses benefiting from streetlights to pay a small portion of the monthly electricity as approved in the new subdivision ordinance.

Councilmember Trader made a motion to approve the resolution establishing a fee of \$1.00 per month, per residence or business to help fund the electricity required to operate streetlights located throughout the City. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion.

Voting was recorded as follows:

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Councilmember DeLoughy	Councilmember Bird
Councilmember Hase	Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Trader	Councilmember Weaver
	Mayor Eskridge

C. RESOLUTION: *Motorized Carts/Multi-Use Path Point Peter*

The City Manager recommended that in an effort to help support alternate transportation means within the City, motorized carts should be permitted to drive upon the sidewalk adjacent to Point Peter Road for a 6-month trial period. All owners would be required to complete training and receive a permit as approved by this resolution. The owner would be responsible to assure that all authorized operators conform to the motorized cart path rules.

Councilmember Trader requested that the resolution be corrected so that the wording is consistent when using the words sidewalk and multi-use path. Councilmember Bird made a motion to approve the motorized cart path resolution with corrections. Councilmember Trader seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**D. PT. PETER WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT 4.0 MGD EXPANSION:
*Resident Inspection Proposals***

The City Manager recommended approval to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with JJ&G (Task Order No. 30) to provide on-site resident inspection services during the construction of the Pt. Peter WWTP upgrade.

Councilmember Hase inquired of Dean Privett if he was representing P&A Engineering and if the engineer he was proposing did not meet the qualifications needed. Mr. Privett responded that he did not know who was planned to be the inspector, that he knew the City staff had reviewed the proposals real well and that JJ&G specializes in lift stations. He further stated that he was not saying that P&A does not do as well of a job. Councilmember Hase stated she was looking for a good reason why a local business was not chosen for the work. Discussion continued among the council members.

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to approve the budget ordinance as presented. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

E. HVAC MAINTENANCE & REPAIR SERVICE CONTRACT:
Green's Air Conditioning & Heating

The City Manager recommended authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Green's HVAC Inc., to provide the City with the annual HVAC Maintenance and Repair Services. This service is for maintenance and repair on existing systems only.

Bobby Marr clarified that this would be for work that is technical or requires licensing to complete. Councilmember Bird made a motion to approve the contract. Councilmember Trader seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

F. BUDGET CUTS: Discussion Councilmember Weaver (ADDED)

Councilmember Weaver stated that this item can be deferred until the budget meeting. After much discussion, the meeting was set for Wednesday, August 27th at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

REPORT OF AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES:

A. PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 1. SPECIAL USE PERMIT:** William H. Spires, 703 Ann Street, requests a SPECIAL USE PERMIT to use part of his garage as a shop to maintain small golf carts and to charge batteries. The shop would be accessed from Dilworth Street. The property is zoned R-1, Tax Parcel #S31-05-002. (POSTPONED 8/11/08)

The Planning Director stated that this application was tabled at the last council meeting to allow Council the opportunity to look at the property. Mr. Spires has provided information and complied with all of the Council's requests.

Several of the council members stated that they had visited the site. Concerns included the fact that there was no curb cut or drainage and that the request had been denied by the Planning Commission.

After further discussion, Councilmember Bird made a motion to approve the Special Use Permit. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Voting was recorded as follows:

For
Councilmember Bird
Councilmember Hase
Councilmember Johnson

Against
Councilmember DeLoughy
Councilmember Trader
Councilmember Weaver
Mayor Eskridge

2. **ANNEXATION ORDINANCE:** *Brannen & Epsy's Properties, Inc.*

Request of Brannen & Epsy's Properties, Inc., 4771 Hwy 40 for annexation of a 0.6145 acre parcel known as Tax Map 122 10C from Camden County into the City of St. Marys. Parcel will be Zoned C-2 after annexation. The annexation was approved at the last Council meeting. This approval is of the actual form and ordinance for state and federal approval.

Councilmember Weaver made a motion to approve the annexation request. Councilmember Trader seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

REPORT OF MAYOR:

August 13, 2008 – Attended the RDC Meeting in Richmond Hill.

August 19, 2008 – Attended a meeting with Terra Pointe.

Mayor Eskridge read the calendar of events, activities and meetings up until the next Council meeting.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER:

A lot of time has been spent working on the budget.

August 14, 2008 – Met with the FAA and Georgia DOT for an update on airports. The authority that DOT has now versus the FFA was defined. During the meeting he was advised by Carol Comer of \$50,000 of possible grant monies for the airport appraisals. The grant paperwork will be sent out on August 26th.

Spoke with Jim Gilbert of Sea Island last week. Sea Island is still interested in moving forward with the airport project. The property is available. If we do not want to use it they would like it back. The next step would be to set up a meeting with all interested parties. It is the City Manager's recommendation to wait for a decision on the grant monies before setting up a meeting.

On Thursday, August 21, 2008 Tropical Storm Fay arrived. There were several hours involved in this event. The City Manager noted that there were no complaints from any of the employees, who all did an outstanding job.

REPORT OF AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES:

Mayor Eskridge requested to return to Authorities, Boards, Commissions & Committees. The Mayor and Councilmembers have each received a letter from Tracy Mizelle, Chairman of the Hospital Authority. Mr. Mizelle is requesting that the Council extend the terms of the board members.

The City Attorney advised that she believes that the Hospital Authority should amend and correct their by-laws, which would then be brought to the Council for approval.

GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Gene Hope, 102 Rudolph Terrace, suggested that the citizens not be billed for street lights. Mr. Hope believes that if the people are paying for the lights they will expect to have a street light in their front yard and for it to be fixed right away if it goes out. Mr. Hope also stated his feelings on the budget.

Bill Spires, 703 Ann Street, requested a copy of the letter that Mr. Gibbs gave to the Council earlier in the meeting. Councilmember Hase provided him with her copy. Mr. Gibbs stated that there is currently nine Special Use Permits inside the city limits of St. Marys, at residential properties, therefore he is not setting a precedent. He advised that he has already requested a curb cut and appropriate drainage. Mr. Gibbs stated that he had not expected the issue would be that property values are more important than an individual being able to turn a wrench and make a livelihood out of his own garage. Mr. Gibbs inquired if the council members had taken a look at the drawing that he had prepared and at his property. He stated that he had finished his fence today. He then thanked the Council for their time.

Tom Cyphers, 206 West Bryant Street, stated that he would like someone to check the PA system because he can never hear anything. Mr. Cyphers feels that the employees are living with the fear of the unknown, will they still have a job. He inquired about how an executive session works. Mr. Cyphers also asked what real estate issue the Council had that couldn't be discussed in public. (The City Attorney explained about real estate issues that are discussed during executive sessions, per state law.)

Dean Privett, 1201 Shadowlawn Drive, explained that he very seldom is at a loss of words, but that he was caught unprepared. (See New Business, Item "D") He explained that he sold P&A Engineering several years ago, although they do still work together. Mr. Privett felt that he was caught between a rock and a hard place because he did not know this item was on the agenda. He feels that it is nice to support local businesses and that P& A Engineering is a professional and qualified company. However, he is sure that the City's very qualified staff have made the decision that is in the best interest of the City.

Michael Gibbs, 705 Ann Street, expressed his thanks to the Mayor and Council for their time and consideration concerning Mr. Spires' request for a Special Use Permit. He also stated that he appreciates the very specific zoning ordinances for the City of St. Marys.

Leon Pinkney, 803 Norris Street, stated that the employees need to be treated right. He feels that we need the police and fire who work hard for us day and night.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Real Estate - Legal (ADDED)

Councilmember DeLoughy made a motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss real estate and legal. Councilmember Hase seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The Mayor and Council adjourned to executive session at 7:41 p.m., returning at 8:03 p.m. with Mayor Eskridge calling the Council meeting back to order.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Hase made a motion for adjournment. Councilmember DeLoughy seconded the motion. Mayor Eskridge declared the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. Johnson, Deputy City Clerk

General Fund

FY 2008

YTD 11/30/07 - 5 Months Reported

41.67%

Revenue Analysis	Budget	Distribution	Actual YTD	% of Budget
Ad Valorem and Transfer Taxes	\$3,575,775	23.38%	\$777,019	21.73%
Total Franchise Taxes	\$782,000	5.11%	\$28,371	3.63%
Local Opt Sales Tax	\$2,600,000	17.00%	\$1,059,213	40.74%
Alcoholic Beverage Excise Tax	\$185,000	1.21%	\$82,798	44.76%
Insurance Premium Tax & Business Tax	\$775,000	5.07%	\$752,161	97.05%
Other (Penalty, Interest, etc.)	\$45,000	0.29%	\$8,066	17.92%
Total Taxes	\$7,962,775	52.07%	\$2,707,627	34.00%
License and Permits	\$988,500	6.46%	\$227,196	22.98%
Fines & Fees	\$456,500	2.99%	\$199,278	43.65%
Aquatics Center Revenue	\$386,750	2.53%	\$123,863	32.03%
Misc./Chg for Serv/O Inc/Senior Cent & Cemetery	\$959,273	6.27%	\$108,977	11.36%
Other Revenue	\$2,791,023	18.25%	\$659,314	23.62%
Total Operating Revenues	\$10,753,798	70.33%	\$3,366,940	31.31%
Interest, Property Sale, etc.	\$125,000	0.82%	\$57,418	45.93%
Inter-Government	\$1,003,232	6.56%	\$477,517	47.60%
Loan \$1,743,103 & Rental proceeds \$425,000	\$1,309,500	8.56%	\$204,504	15.62%
Fund Equity	\$2,100,000	13.73%	\$875,070	41.67%
Subtotal- Non Operating Revenue	\$4,537,732	29.67%	\$1,614,509	35.58%
Total Revenues	\$15,291,530	100.00%	\$4,981,449	32.58%

Expense Analysis	Budget	Distribution	Actual YTD	% of Budget
Salaries & Wages	\$7,554,754	49.40%	\$2,903,614	38.43%
Purchased Services	\$1,361,373	8.90%	\$392,199	28.81%
General Supplies and Materials	\$1,808,484	11.83%	\$639,284	35.35%
Other, PSA & Municiple Court passthrough	\$648,457	4.24%	\$318,599	49.13%
Operating Expenses	\$11,373,068	74.37%	\$4,253,695	37.40%
Capital Expenditures	\$2,012,500	13.16%	\$203,099	10.09%
Contingency	\$249,861	1.63%	\$0	0.00%
Debt Service- Loans & Capitalized Lease payments	\$1,656,101	10.83%	\$393,379	23.75%
Non-Operating Expenses	\$3,918,462	25.63%	\$596,478	15.22%
Total Expenditures	\$15,291,530	100.00%	\$4,850,173	31.72%

Excess/(Shortfall) of Revenues **\$131,276**

41.67%

Departmental Analysis:	Budget	Distribution	Actual YTD	% of Budget
Legislative and Executive Departments	\$727,247	4.76%	\$284,229	39.08%
Finance	\$1,273,324	8.33%	\$426,383	33.49%
Information Technology	\$215,198	1.41%	\$105,009	48.80%
Human Resources	\$148,644	0.97%	\$56,048	37.71%
Police Administration & Municipal Court	\$3,866,655	25.29%	\$1,522,541	39.38%
Fire Administration	\$2,543,294	16.63%	\$600,460	23.61%
Public Works, Hwys & Streets, Bldgs, etc.	\$3,785,325	24.75%	\$1,187,832	31.38%
Cemetery	\$46,600	0.30%	\$2,168	4.65%
Senior Center	\$123,622	0.81%	\$33,100	26.78%
Aquatics Center	\$405,213	2.65%	\$170,300	42.03%
Parks Admin & Kayak launch/Boat Ramp	\$125,600	0.82%	\$14,315	11.40%
Library Administration	\$342,806	2.24%	\$130,882	38.18%
Planning, Zoning, Building	\$671,590	4.39%	\$228,837	34.07%
Economic Development	\$132,922	0.87%	\$52,787	39.71%
Airport, Special Facilities & Other	\$883,490	5.78%	\$35,282	3.99%
Total Expenditures	\$15,291,530	100.00%	\$4,850,173	31.72%

Cash Balances:	\$5,176,125	Run Rate Analysis:	
LESS: Restricted Budgeted Fund Equity	\$2,100,000	Average YTD Mo. Exp.	\$970,035
Unrestricted Cash Balances	\$3,076,125	Months of Operating Cash	1.34
LESS: Outstanding P.O.'s	\$1,778,962		
Available Cash	\$1,297,163		

Debt Analysis:	Balance	P&I Due 2007	P&I Due 2008	P&I Due 2009.
Total Debt Balances	\$1,320,339	\$553,844	\$577,245	\$189,250

Water/Sewer Fund FY2008
YTD 11/30/07 - 5 Months Reported

41.67%

Revenue Analysis	Budget	Distribution	Actual YTD	% of Budget
Water Charges	\$1,755,500	5.87%	\$827,331	47.13%
Capital Recovery Fees	\$1,136,000	3.80%	\$184,348	16.23%
Construction Fees	\$450,000	1.50%	\$142,596	31.69%
Sewage Charges	\$1,568,000	5.24%	\$751,997	47.96%
Late Fees and Penalties	\$152,000	0.51%	\$77,231	50.81%
Operating Revenues	\$5,061,500	16.93%	\$1,983,503	39.19%
Interest and Misc. Income	\$440,000	1.47%	\$166,707	37.89%
Government Grants & Loans	\$22,350,000	74.75%	\$5,103,337	22.83%
Fund Equity	\$2,050,000	6.86%	\$854,235	41.67%
Non-Operating Revenue	\$24,840,000	83.07%	\$6,124,279	24.65%
Total Revenues	\$29,901,500	100.00%	\$8,107,782	27.11%

Expense Analysis	Budget	Distribution	Actual YTD	% of Budget
Salary Wage and Benefit Costs	\$1,554,893	5.20%	\$586,325	37.71%
Purchased/Contracted services	\$1,354,365	4.53%	\$301,732	22.28%
Supplies	\$1,214,100	4.06%	\$356,075	29.33%
Operating Expenses	\$4,123,358	13.79%	\$1,244,132	30.17%
Capital Expenditures	\$22,615,000	75.63%	\$5,613,068	24.82%
Contingency	\$960,913	3.21%	\$0	0.00%
Fiscal Agent's Fee	\$2,400	0.01%	\$689	28.71%
Debt Service	\$2,199,829	7.36%	\$417,467	18.98%
Non-Operating Expenses	\$25,778,142	86.21%	\$6,031,225	23.40%
Total Expenditures	\$29,901,500	100.00%	\$7,275,357	24.33%

Excess/(Shortfall) of Revenues	\$832,425
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Cash Balances:	\$5,831,225	Run Rate Analysis:	
LESS: Restricted Debt Svc/Dep Balances	\$1,144,588	Average YTD Mo. Exp.	\$1,455,071
LESS: Restricted Budgeted Fund Equity	\$2,050,000	Months of Operating Cash	1.72
Unrestricted Cash Balances	\$2,636,637		
LESS: Outstanding P.O.'s	\$130,868		
Available Cash	\$2,505,769		

Debt Analysis:	Balance	P&I Due 2008	P&I Due 2009	P&I Due 2010
Total Debt Balances	\$16,832,309	\$702,492	\$702,492	\$702,492

Solid Waste Fund **FY 2008**
YTD 11/30/07 - 5 Months reported

41.67%

Revenue Analysis	Budget	Distribution	Actual YTD	% of Budget
Residential Refuse Charges	\$843,000	48.68%	\$389,760	46.23%
Commercial Refuse Charges	\$107,730	6.22%	\$51,766	48.05%
Other Fees	\$172,000	9.93%	\$40,221	23.38%
Subtotal- Operating Revenues	\$1,122,730	64.83%	\$481,747	42.91%
Interest Income	\$6,000	0.35%	\$2,413	40.22%
Capital Lease Proceeds	\$355,000	20.50%	\$0	0.00%
Loan Proceeds	\$0	0.00%	\$0	#DIV/0!
Fund Equity	\$248,000	14.32%	\$103,342	41.67%
Subtotal- Non Operating Revenue	\$609,000	35.17%	\$105,755	17.37%
Total Revenues	\$1,731,730	100.00%	\$587,502	33.93%

Expense Analysis	Budget	Distribution	Actual YTD	% of Budget
Salary Wage and Benefit Costs	\$562,236	32.47%	\$187,686	33.38%
Purchased/Contracted services	\$455,360	26.30%	\$45,038	9.89%
Supplies	\$199,700	11.53%	\$48,622	24.35%
Landfill Fees	\$0	0.00%	\$94,220	#DIV/0!
Total Other Costs	\$0	0.00%	\$0	#DIV/0!
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,217,296	70.29%	\$375,566	30.85%
Capital Expenditures	\$375,000	21.65%	\$0	0.00%
Contingency	\$40,596	2.34%	\$0	0.00%
Debt Payments	\$98,838	5.71%	\$25,586	25.89%
Total Non-Operating Expenses	\$514,434	29.71%	\$25,586	4.97%
Total Expenses	\$1,731,730	100.00%	\$401,152	23.16%

Excess/(Shortfall) of Revenues	\$186,350
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Cash Balances:	\$547,263	Run Rate Analysis:	
LESS: Restricted Budgeted	\$248,000	Average YTD Mo. Exp.	\$80,230
Unrestricted Cash Balances	\$299,263	Months of Operating Cash	3.62
LESS: Outstanding P.O.'s	\$8,483		
Available Cash	\$290,780		

Debt Analysis:	Balance	P&I Due 2007	P&I Due 2008	P&I Due 2009
Total Debt Balances	\$208,775	\$50,568	\$98,838	\$89,298

Mr. Mayor, Council Members I would like to begin by thanking you for your time to let me speak to you today. I come hear today to voice my opinion as a citizen about the proposed budget cut backs. Last week I read in the news paper that the city was in a budget crisis and you the council was trying to find ways to solve the problem. I read that some of the proposals were as followed:

- The city will turn off all water heaters except for those at the fire and police departments.
- Police will be required to shut off their vehicles and patrol districts on foot for at least half of their shifts.
- Only employees living inside the city may take their vehicles home.

Mr. Shanahan also gave a list of other cuts to consider.

- Taking back a 3% pay raise that was to have gone into effect Dec. 1.
- Going to a four, 10-hour-day work week except for public safety departments.

I would like to begin by addressing a few of these.

First - I would like to talk about the water heaters being turned off. Per the Center for Disease Control web site you should use warm water to wash your hands when available.

Public Work has to mess with broke sewer lines, The building inspectors touch building material, insulation and other hazardous material every day that they are at work. So why would anyone think about taking away the water heater from these or any other department. Would you cut the water heater off at your house to save a penny?

Second - Taking the 3% pay raise away from the employees.

Last month you the council approved a raise for yourselves. In June it was written in the Tribune that you the council approved a 5% Merit increase to the City Manager. Now I ask what a 5% increase is on a \$100,000.00 plus salary compared to an employee that gets a 3% raise on \$20,000.00 salary. No where have I heard about taking away his 5%. Instead, we give him a new vehicle every couple of years with gas to ride around with. And while I'm on the take home vehicle. It was also written that an employee that lives outside the city limits will not be allowed to take a vehicle home. Well I then ask you Council members, does this apply to the All employees and supervisors that live outside the city limits. So why should they be any different.

Fourth - Council woman Hase said in the Tribune that she does not work for the employees, but for the citizens of St. Marys. And she is absolutely correct. Just as every other employee in the City of St. Marys, so does the elected officials. But I do ask, how many employees do you think are citizens? And if they are not citizens, then why aren't they? Maybe because of how little they get paid and how much it cost to live in the City of Marys.

Even though you the council does not work for the employees. You can't just push the employees to the side. With out the employees where would the city be? Would you the council be out there removing trees during and after storms? Would you be fixing the water or sewer lines when they break. Would you be out there putting the fires out or protecting the citizens from crime?

By taking away from the employees you kill their moral. And sooner or later they are going to leave. The

employees the city has invested time and money into training or the ones that were just hired on. It doesn't matter.

Just last week the public works was out in full force removing trash piles that have not been picked up by the contracted trash company and during the storm cutting trees to remove them out of the road way, the police officers were securing the water front and the city personnel that were out removing trees during storms and the fire department out securing power lines that were down while winds were blowing above 35 mph. If you ask me, council members those aren't employees that I wouldn't want to get rid of. Instead we are pushing them away. We are treating them like they aren't worth anything to the city. If you want to look at saving money. You need to look at other means. Such as the trash pickups. How much does it cost the city to have a contractor to pick up trash and yard waste. But yet we still see our city grapple trucks picking up the limbs and yard waste. Why are we paying someone to do these and they aren't. If you were paying someone to clean your yard and they were not, would you keep paying them? NO! You would fire them and find some that will do the job. So why are we doing this with this contractor.

And how about instead of us trying to turn the City of St. Marys into a residential community for the military and retirees. Why not try to bring businesses in. The City of Kingsland seems to be growing with the help of businesses. And I do understand that they have the Interstate, but so do we. Exit One or at least piece of it. The businesses are there. We just got to get them to come. And once they

come, they bring revenue. But you the council seems to deem it more important to turn this into a retirement community with golf carts and condos, and million dollar homes with boat docks. But it doesn't seem to be helping the city.

I lived here 29year and seen this city grow from a small 2 lane road town to a city that has the potential to be something. But as long as we keep running business out of town we aren't going to get nowhere. But instead we are going to keep going until this a ghost town.

In conclusion I ask you the council to look at the big picture. Find other ways to look at saving money.

I thank you again for your time to let me speak to you today.