

THURSDAY – 6:00 P.M.

DECEMBER 9, 2004

SPECIAL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Elizabeth City held a Special Meeting on the above date and time in the City Council Chambers of the Municipal Administration Building with Mayor J. H. Bell, Jr. presiding. Council Members attending were C. C. Austin, J. M. Baker, L. A. Hummer, R. E. King, W. A. Lehmann, D. K. Stallings, Sr. and J. B. Walton. Mayor Pro Tem E. K. Rivers was absent. Others attending were: City Manager R. C. Olson, City Clerk D. S. Pierce and City Attorney W. H. Morgan.

Mayor Bell opened the meeting by welcoming those attending. He called upon Councilman D. K. Stallings, Sr. to give the invocation after which Councilman W. A. Lehmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Bell called upon City Manager R. C. Olson for comments regarding the Rural Center Grant.

City Manager R. C. Olson advised that the City has received notice from the Rural Center that its grant for \$425,000 for the Tamsco Sewer Line Project has been approved subject to the execution of certain documents, mainly the Performance Agreement. The Performance Agreement is between the City and Tamsco and is tied directly to the number of jobs to be created. Tamsco has agreed to create 100 new jobs during the period of March 1, 2004 and June 30, 2007. This is the same time called for in the Legally Binding Letter of Commitment with the Department of Commerce. If Tamsco fails to create the 100 jobs, they must pay the City \$4,250 for every job under 100 not created. Since March 1, 2004, Tamsco has created 50 jobs and should reach the 100-job target within the next eighteen months. Councilman W. A. Lehmann made a motion, seconded by Councilman R. E. King to authorize Mayor John H. Bell, Jr. to execute the Performance Agreement provided, by and between the City of Elizabeth City and Tamsco. Those voting in favor of the motion were Lehmann, King, Austin, Baker, Hummer, Stallings and Walton. Against: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Councilman W. A. Lehmann made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman J. M. Baker to adjourn. Those voting in favor of the motion were Lehmann, Baker, Austin, Hummer, King, Stallings and Walton. Against: None. Motion carried.

Mayor J. H. Bell, Jr. adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Dianne S. Pierce, MMC
City Clerk

John H. Bell, Jr.
Mayor