

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE 10<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE  
December 8, 2009  
5:50 P.M.**

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PRESENT: Sharon P. Scott; Tina L. Vick; Joseph C. Whitaker; Dr. Patricia P. Woodbury;  
Herbert H. Bateman, Jr.; Joe S. Frank; and Madeline McMillan-----7

ABSENT: None-----0

OTHERS PRESENT: Stuart E. Katz; Mabel Washington Jenkins; Allen L. Jackson; and  
Jennifer Walker

After ascertaining that proper meeting notice had been provided to each member of City Council, Mayor Frank called the meeting to order and stated the meeting was being held for the following purposes:

(1) To call a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, subsection: (1) a discussion or consideration of appointments to boards and commissions; and

(2) To make appointments to fill vacancies on the City's various boards, commissions and committees.

Councilwoman Woodbury moved for a closed meeting under sections and reasons cited above; seconded by Councilwoman Scott.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Scott, Vick, Whitaker, Woodbury, Bateman, Frank, McMillan  
Nays: None

(Closed Session 5:51 p.m. – 6:20 p.m.)

Council engaged in discussion to make appointments to fill vacancies on the following boards:

1. Commemoration Advisory Commission – Ms. Sheila McAllister (Director of Planning-Chairperson) appointed to serve an indefinite term of office. Dr. Sandra Nelson Cherry (General Public Representative-South District), Mr. Jan Gray (General Public Representative-Central District), and Ms. Elizabeth T. Nunnally (General Public Representative-North District) each reappointed to serve a three-year term of office.

2. Commission on Youth – Mr. Clifford Hall (Adult Representative) appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Cleon Long. The term will expire June 30, 2010. Mr. Keith Watkins (Youth Representative – DHS) appointed to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Brooke Emerick. The term will expire June 30, 2010. Ms. Alexis Holden (Youth Representative – An Achievable Dream High School) appointed to serve a one-year term of office.

3. Newport News Arts Commission – Mr. Brian Hutchens (General Public Representative), Mr. Charles Armfield (General Public Representative), Mr. Leroy E. Thompson (General Public Representative), and Ms. Virginia F. Wilson (General Public Representative) each reappointed to serve a three-year term of office. Mr. John B. Hightower (General Public Representative) appointed to serve a three-year term of office.

4. Newport News Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission – Ms. Anna Holloway (Mariners' Museum/Monitor Center Representative) appointed to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Amy Ritchie. The term will expire June 2013. Ms. Beatrice V. Dahlen (General Public Representative and Ms. Joy Jackson (General Public Representative) each appointed to serve a four-year term office.

5. Newport News Occasions, Inc. – Mr. David A. Litzinger (General Public Representative), Ms. Denese Binns-Banks (General Public Representative), and Mr. Ronald B. Burroughs (General Public Representative) each reappointed to serve a three-year term of office.

6. Newport News Planning Commission - Ms. Lorraine P. Austin (General Public Representative) appointed to serve a four-year term of office. Mr. Robert B. Jones, Esquire (General Public Representative) appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mr. R. George Hubbard. The term will expire January 15, 2013.

7. Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority - Mr. George B. Knight (General Public Representative) appointed to serve a four-year term of office.

8. Reservoir Protection Appeals Committee – Mr. Charles K. Tudor (Professional Engineer) appointed to serve a two-year term of office.

9. USS Newport News Liaison Committee – Ms. Dola H. Maahs (General Public Representative) appointed to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Bernice “Bea” Berry. The term will expire July 31, 2012.

10. Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board – Ms. Jerri Wilson, Legislative & Management Analyst, appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Alan Archer, Assistant City Manager. The term will expire June 30, 2012.

Mayor Frank advised that potential candidates were subject to a background check conducted by the Newport News Police Department. Following a favorable check, Council would finalize and ratify the appointments.

After reconvening in open session, Councilwoman McMillan moved to certify that to the best of each member's knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting by the Council. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Woodbury.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Scott, Vick, Whitaker, Woodbury, Bateman, Frank, McMillan

Nays: None

Councilwoman McMillan moved that appointments discussed in closed meeting be ratified pursuant to receipt of notification that a favorable background was conducted; seconded by Councilwoman Scott.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Scott, Vick, Whitaker, Woodbury, Bateman, Frank, McMillan

Nays: None

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,  
ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:20 P.M.

*Mabel Washington Jenkins*

Mabel Washington Jenkins, CMC  
City Clerk

Joe S. Frank  
Mayor  
Presiding Officer

A true copy, teste:

City Clerk