

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE 10TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE
April 10, 2007
6:08 P.M.**

PRESENT: Madeline McMillan; Sharon P. Scott; Joseph C. Whitaker; Charles C. Allen;
Herbert H. Bateman, Jr.; Joe S. Frank; and William F. Haskins-----7

ABSENT: None-----0

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy W. Hildebrandt; Stuart E. Katz; Mabel V. Washington; Allen L.
Jackson; K.M. Blanks; Brian Ramaley; David Morris; Eileen Leininger;
Scott Hart, Troutman Saunders Mays & Valentine; William P. Mitchell;
Neil Morgan; 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, subsections: (1) a discussion or consideration of appointments to boards and commissions; and (7) consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members pertaining to actual litigation where such consultation or briefing in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating posture of the public body.

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

Councilman Whitaker moved for a closed meeting under sections and reasons cited above; seconded by Vice Mayor Allen.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: McMillan, Scott, Whitaker, Allen, Bateman, Frank, Haskins

Nays: None

(Closed Session 6:10 p.m. – 6:35 p.m.)

After reconvening in open session, Vice Mayor Allen 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 Councilman Haskins.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: McMillan, Scott, Whitaker, Allen, Bateman, Frank, Haskins

Nays: None

Potential candidates, discussed at the March 27, 2007 Special Meeting of City Council, were subject to a background check conducted by the Newport News Police Department.

Councilwoman McMillan moved that appointments which were discussed in the Special Meeting of March 27, 2007 be ratified; seconded by Councilman Haskins.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: McMillan, Scott, Whitaker, Allen, Bateman, Frank, Haskins

Nays: None

1. Board of Appeals – One vacancy (Architect) deferred.
2. Commission on Youth – Fourteen vacancies (3-Agency/Organization Representatives; 3-Adult Members; 8-Youth Members) deferred.
3. Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center Board – Three vacancies (General Public Representative) deferred.
4. Hampton-Newport Community Services Board – Three vacancies (General Public Representatives) deferred.
5. Insight Enterprises, Inc., Peninsula Center for Independent Living Board of Directors – Ms. Debra Lyons (General Public Representative) reappointed to serve a one-year term of office.
6. Newport News Planning Commission – Mr. Victor Albea (General Public Representative) appointed to serve a four-year term of office.
7. Newport News Public Library Board of Trustees – Ms. Myra Smith (General Public Representative) appointed to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Lola Gordon, term expires September 12, 2010.
8. North End/Huntington Heights Architectural Review Board – One Vacancy (Resident Owner of Real Estate) deferred.
9. Peninsula Stadium Authority – Mr. Samuel W. “Moose” Spencer (Professional Management Community Representative) reappointed to serve a two-year term of office.

10. Thomas Nelson Community College Board of Trustees – Father Ralph Haines (General Public Representative) reappointed to serve a four-year term of office.
11. Towing Advisory Board – Two vacancies (1 - Towing and Recovery Industry Representative; 1 – General Public Representative) deferred.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,
ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:35 P.M.

Mabel V. Washington, CMC
City Clerk

Joe S. Frank
Mayor
Presiding Officer

A true copy, teste:

City Clerk