

MINUTES OF THE SELMA CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 25, 2007
5:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Invocation: Father Matt Dobbs, Priest

Cathedral of Christ the King Charismatic Episcopal Church

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

The Selma City Council met in a regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Monday, June 25, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present during roll call: Council President George Evans and Council members Cecil Williamson, Reid Cain, Jean T. Martin, Geraldine Allen, Johnnie M. Leashore, Bennie R. Crenshaw and Jannie M. Venter. Others present were Mayor James Perkins, Jr., City Clerk Lois Williams, Assistant City Clerk Ivy S. Harrison, City Attorney Jimmy Nunn, City Treasurer Cynthia Mitchell, and the Mayor's Executive Assistant Darlene Rudolph. Councilman Samuel Randolph was absent due to military leave.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

President Evans asked for the approval of the agenda items. A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Venter to approve the agenda as written. **The motion passed with a unanimous (show of hands) vote of the Council members present.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

After approval of the agenda, President Evans asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2007 regular meeting. A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Venter to approve the minutes of June 11, 2007. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Williamson to table the minutes of June 11, 2007, until further clarification could be made by Attorney Nunn, as to the statement he made in the last sentence made in the minutes as it relates to Item I, Water Works and Sewer Board, as well as, the contingency of a vote that was made by Councilwoman Allen as it relates to the Off-Duty Police Officer Staffing Contract. **The motion passed with a unanimous (show of hands) vote of the Council members present.** Following discussion with Attorney Nunn, a motion was made by Councilwoman Crenshaw, and seconded by Councilman Leashore, to approve the minutes of June 11, 2007 with the changes made. **The motion passed with a unanimous (show of hands) vote of the Council members present.**

CITIZENS' REQUESTS

Reverend Winston Williams

Re: St. Paul C.M.E. Church (Youth Summer Program)

MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Length of Service Recognition Awards. Mayor Perkins stated he would like to present Certificates of Service in recognition of the following employees: *Mr. Willie Peeples, Cemetery Department*; Five Years of dedicated service to the City of Selma; and *Mr. Joseph Savage, Recreation Department*, Five Years of dedicated service to the City of Selma, *Firemen Christopher Horton*, Fifteen Years of dedicated service to the City of Selma, and *Mr. Billy Jackson, Public Works Department*, Twenty-Five Years of dedicated service to the City of Selma. Mayor Perkins stated he would like to thank them for their years of dedicated service to the City of Selma. They were also presented with Longevity Pins.

B. Resolution - #R203-06/07. Mayor Perkins asked Coach Reece come forward to address the Council as per Resolution #R203-06/07, which requests the use of the Alabama Trust Fund Lease Money for Capital Projects. Mayor Perkins asked Council's favorable consideration of said Resolution #R203-06/07 to complete the Marina Project, in the amount of \$1,700.00 from Mayor Perkins and each Council Person, a total of \$17,000.00. A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, and seconded by Councilman Leashore, to approve said resolution. Councilman Cain stated he would like to see his \$1,700.00 come out of unappropriated funds since he has already obligated his lease money, and would like to amend the motion to that effect. Councilman Williamson stated he would like to amend the motion to divide Councilman Cain's \$1,700.00 amongst the other nine Council members which would be about \$200.00 more each, and pay \$1,900.00 each, instead of \$1,700.00, since Councilman Cain has already obligated his money.

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Councilman Williamson further stated if Councilwoman Martin agrees to pay half of the \$1,700.00 for Councilman Cain, he will pay the other half, totaling \$2,550.00 for each of them. An amended motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, and seconded by Councilwoman Allen, that Councilwoman Martin and Councilman Williamson will each pay, instead of \$1,700.00 the amount of \$2,550.00, and the other Council members and Mayor Perkins will pay their portion (\$1,700.00 each) towards the total of \$17,000.00. A roll call vote was taken and the resolution passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present.

C. **Selma Fire and Rescue Department, and Ms. Jennifer Young, District Director, Muscular Dystrophy Association.** Mayor Perkins stated several members of the Selma Fire and Rescue Department are here to receive on behalf of the City of Selma, a Proclamation for its efforts in aiding the Muscular Dystrophy Association, proclaiming the month of July, 2007 as "Muscular Dystrophy Association and Selma Fire and Rescue Firefighter Appreciation Month". Mayor Perkins asked that the members of the Selma Fire and Rescue Department come forward, to be presented the Proclamation, along with Ms. Jennifer Young. Mayor Perkins read the Proclamation in its entirety into the record, a copy of which will be attached. Mayor Perkins congratulated all of the members of the Selma Fire and Rescue Department on this honor, and commended and thanked them for the level of service they provide to our community.

D. **Resolutions #R204-06/07 - #R223-06/07 - Salary Increases.** Mayor Perkins stated to Council they should have a package of resolutions, which he would like to go through one at a time. Mayor Perkins asked Ms. Valeria Jones to come forward to address the Council. Mayor Perkins read Resolution #R204-06/07 in its entirety, to approve a salary increase for Ms. Diane Collins, Payroll Clerk in the Finance Department, from \$23,732.80 annually to \$26,732.80 annually, and asks Council favorable consideration of said resolution. A motion was made by Councilman Williamson, and seconded by Councilman Cain, that said Resolution #R204-06/07, and the others be referred to the Administrative Committee. During discussion, Councilman Leashore stated to President Evans if he recalls he and Councilwoman Venter presented him and the Council with a letter which he feels is a direct correlation of what the Mayor has presented. Councilman Leashore further stated his position has not changed and he is sure his colleague who is a member of the Administrative Committee has not changed her position either, and that it would do no good to refer this resolution to the Administrative Committee. Councilman Leashore stated he feels the Council needs to deal with this; the five people who voted outside of the pay plan needs to deal with it, and that is where they are. Councilwoman Venter concurs. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council members present. There were five ayes. Councilwoman Crenshaw, Councilman Leashore, and Councilwoman Venter either abstained or failed to vote at all on the matter.

E. **Announcement - VICON Traffic/Security Camera Demonstration.** Mayor Perkins stated VICON Company will be in our community doing a Traffic/Security Camera Demonstration on Wednesday, June 27th at 1:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, and encourages as many of you to attend as possible.

F. **Announcement - Internet Usage Policy Training.** Mayor Perkins stated we are very close now to going on-line with the Web Page, and there are some mandatory internet usage policy training that will be taking place on Thursday, June 28th, with two (2) sessions, one at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in the Convention Center. Mayor Perkins encourages everyone to be in attendance if they have an interest in utilizing this technology.

G. **Announcement - Virtual Alabama Demonstration.** Mayor Perkins stated Ms. Chris Johnson with U.S. Space and Rocket Center will do a demonstration on Virtual Alabama on Wednesday, July 25th, at 1:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers. Mayor Perkins further stated Virtual Alabama is an initiative that is being facilitated by the State of Alabama through the Space and Rocket Center that is actually digitizing the State of Alabama. Mayor Perkins encourages everyone to come and be a part of that effort because it does coincide with a lot of the projects that we are working on in the City of Selma.

H. **Condolences - Councilman Johnnie Leashore.** Mayor Perkins stated he had already personally expressed his condolences to Councilman Leashore but that he was publicly expressing his condolences to Councilman Leashore in the death of his sister, and further stated to Councilman Leashore that his family has been and remains in his Prayers.

A. Selma City Board of Education. Attorney Nunn stated the Council should be in receipt of copies of an Order from the United States District Court of Alabama, Southern Division, in which the Council had been waiting on the signed Order from Judge Butler, as it relates to the BEST Education Support Team vs. The City of Selma. Attorney Nunn further stated this is an Order dissolving the Accord and the Agreement. Attorney Nunn stated if Council recalls there are three appointments in which they were awaiting the Order from the Judge; if they recall, Mr. David Hagood resigned, and Dr. Hodo and Mr. James Ware's terms have expired and/or they have resigned. Councilman Leashore stated the Council was waiting on the Decree being dissolved by the Court before taking any action on filling the vacancies. President Evans stated Attorney Nunn has given them the information they needed, and it would be left up to the Council to decide what the next step would be. Councilman Leashore stated to President Evans he respectfully requests that the Administrative Committee Chairman bring forth the candidates that they did interview and therefore at the next Council meeting have an election to elect two from that group, and in the process, Mr. President, direct him to go forward with the procedure of advertising about the third vacancy so that they have followed their procedures. President Evans asked Council if anyone has any objection to that request? Councilman Williamson stated to President Evans he does not have a problem with going forward with this, if the Council is going to ask the Legislature to go to an elected school board, do they need to appoint three people for six months? Councilman Williamson asked whatever happened to the Council getting resolutions for an elected school; it has already been researched. Councilman Leashore stated to President Evans, if his memory serves him right, and the minutes can be researched, the Council did vote to have an elected school board, and he is sure the resolutions are forthcoming. Councilman Leashore further stated he thinks the Council needs to move forward expeditiously with the vacancies to get the School Board back up to full speed, and then they can proceed with the electoral process for the Selma School Board being an elected School Board rather than an appointed one. Attorney Nunn stated to Council if they recall after doing the research he had presented them with some information from the City of Bessemer, about having several public hearings. Attorney Nunn further stated the Council has failed to do that, and it is up to the Council as to whether or not they want to have public hearings. Attorney Nunn stated if the Council directs him to prepare a resolution to send to the Legislature then the same would be prepared. President Evans concurred with Attorney Nunn, and stated their decision was delayed, pending the information on the ruling to come back from the Court, and brought back to the Council. President Evans stated the Council needs to now move forward in this process to go forward with the public hearings because they did indicate they wanted the citizens involved in this decision.

B. Selma City Board of Education - Impeachment of Board Members - Letter. Attorney Nunn stated to Council that they should have a letter before them dated June 25, 2007, to the President of the City Council as it relates to Selma City Board of Education - Impeachment of Board Members. Attorney Nunn further stated he thinks the question was asked by Councilman Leashore as it relates to removing a Board Member. Attorney Nunn stated the Supreme Court of Alabama has ruled that members of a City Board of Education, after due appointment, are officers of the City and cannot be removed except for causes specified in Section 173 of the Constitution of Alabama 1901, and in the manner provided by Section 175; for example, by impeachment proceeding in the Circuit Court or other courts of like jurisdiction. Attorney Nunn further stated he will provide a copy of the Supreme Court's ruling, along with Section 173 of the Constitution of Alabama 1901, and place in each of the Council's mailboxes. President Evans asked the Administrative Committee to be prepared at their next Council meeting to give this Council the names of all individuals that were on that list of possible candidates as well as to come back with a recommendation on this, and also, a second chore of, the process if they are going to do the public hearings in an effort to move forward on this. President Evans asked Attorney Nunn to research the time line as it relates to the legislative act in the event the Council chooses to go forward with that, and also requested Attorney Nunn to be a part of that process.

C. Section 13.3 of the Code. Attorney Nunn stated Council should have before them copies of Section 13.3, which deals with a question as to whether or not an ordinance is in place that controls or regulates individuals putting trash in other individual's containers. Attorney Nunn stated Councilwoman Venter had a question about individuals bringing trash from outside of the City limits into areas within the City's garbage containers. Attorney Nunn read Section 13.3 in its entirety. President Evans stated he was pleased to be a part of Councilman Leashore's Clean-Up Campaign, and that he commended everyone for all of the efforts made in that endeavor, and stated that Councilman Leashore would make additional comments about this effort during his committee report.

D. Noise Ordinance - COS 021-01/02. Attorney Nunn stated to Council they should have before them copies of the Amended Ordinance to Provide for the Control of Excessive and Loud Noise and for a Penalty or Punishment for Violation Thereof, (COS 021-01/02). Attorney Nunn further stated through conversations with some of the Police Officers it was brought to his attention that they thought the Council had revised the Ordinance to reflect a penalty of \$250.00 for the 1st offense, and \$500.00 for the 2nd offense. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilwoman Allen, and seconded by Councilwoman Martin, to increase the penalty amount to \$250.00 for the 1st offense, and \$500.00 for the second offense. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present. During roll call, Councilman Leashore stated he vote yes on the condition that his colleagues go and do those PSA's if they are serious about the noise. Attorney Nunn stated he would prepare the Ordinance to reflect the change increase from \$200.00 to \$250.00 for the 1st offense, and \$500.00 for the 2nd offense and bring back at the next Council meeting.

E. Off-Duty Police Officers. Attorney Nunn stated information requested by Councilwoman Allen as it relates to Off-Duty Police Officers was placed in each Council member's mailboxes, and should be helpful to them.

F. Ordinance #O118-06/07 - Abatement of Weeds. Attorney Nunn stated Ordinance #O118-06/07 was placed on 1st Reading at the last Council meeting. During discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to table this item.

G. Liquor License Applications. Attorney Nunn stated the following liquor license applications were placed on 1st Reading by the Council at the last Council meeting:

(1) Roc, LLC (Cheers) [Transfer] 1105 Broad Street - Mr. Rodney Hardy. A motion was made by Councilwoman Crenshaw, and seconded by Councilman Leashore, to approve said liquor license. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council members present. There were five ayes, two nay votes and one abstention. Councilman Cain and Councilman Williamson both cast nay votes, and Councilwoman Venter abstained.

(2) Billingsley Bar & Grill, LLC (Big Star Tavern) [Transfer] 2519 Highway 14, Mr. Michael Moore. A motion was made by Councilman Leashore, and seconded by Councilwoman Allen, to approve said liquor license. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council members present. There were five ayes, two nay votes and one abstention. Councilman Cain and Councilman Williamson both cast nay votes, and Councilwoman Venter abstained.

(3) Brother's Convenient Store (Franks Cougar) 906 Washington Street - Mr. Bobby Wilkerson. Attorney Nunn stated the 3rd sign is missing and was unable to be placed at this location, but one of the signs will be removed from one of the above locations and placed at this location on tomorrow. President Evans stated he thinks the Council can approve it, pending anything that may come up between now and the next Council meeting, and then they can rescind at that time. It was the consensus of the Council to take action on this application at the reconvened Council meeting on Wednesday.

H. St. James Hotel - Resolution - Lease Termination Agreement. Attorney Nunn stated to Council if they recall during the last Council meeting they received a letter from Mr. Striplin as it relates to terminating the lease agreement with the City of Selma. Attorney Nunn further stated in the resolution it states the City will go ahead and proceed and accept his proposal to terminate the lease agreement. Attorney Nunn stated the Council also agreed to direct the City Attorney to prepare a termination agreement and proceed with Mayor Perkins signing the agreement.

I. St. James Hotel - Memorandum of Agreement - Jackson Hospitality and City of Selma. Attorney Nunn asked Ms. Charlotte Griffeth and Mr. Shane Armstrong, General Manager for the St. James Hotel, to come forward and address the Council. Ms. Griffeth read the Memorandum of Agreement between Jackson Hospitality and the City of Selma in its entirety and asks Council favorable consideration of said Memorandum of Agreement, for the period of June 26, 2007 through July 9, 2007, in the amount of \$2000.00. A motion was made by Councilman Leashore, and seconded by Councilwoman Crenshaw, to approve said Memorandum of Agreement in the amount of \$2000.00. A roll call vote was taken and the resolution passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present.

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J. St. James Hotel - Memorandum of Agreement - Jackson Hospitality and Shane Armstrong. Ms. Griffeth stated this Memorandum of Agreement represents a contract for the on-site property hotel management by Mr. Shane Armstrong during this period of June 26, 2007 through July 9, 2007, in the amount of \$3,795.00, and asks Council favorable consideration of said Memorandum of Agreement. A motion was made by Councilwoman Crenshaw, and seconded by Councilman Leashore, to approve said Memorandum of Agreement in the amount of \$3,795.00. A roll call vote was taken and the resolution passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present.

K. St. James Hotel - Memorandum of Agreement - Jackson Hospitality and James W. Pitts. Ms. Griffeth stated this Memorandum of Agreement provides for Mr. James W. Pitts to provide on-site maintenance of the building and equipment during this period of June 26, 2007 through July 9, 2007, in the amount of \$2,046.60, and asks Council favorable consideration of said Memorandum of Agreement. A motion was made by Councilwoman Crenshaw, and seconded by Councilman Leashore, to approve said Memorandum of Agreement in the amount of \$2,046.60. A roll call vote was taken and the resolution passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present.

L. St. James Hotel - Transfer of Eleven Employees. Attorney Nunn asked Ms. Valeria Jones to come forward and address the Council as it relates to eleven employees being temporarily transferred from the St. James Hotel payroll to the City of Selma's payroll with no cost to the City of Selma for the period of June 26, 2007 through July 9, 2007, and asks Council favorable consideration of said temporary transfer of employees. A motion was made by Councilman Leashore, and seconded by Councilwoman Allen, to approve said transfer. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present.

M. St. James Hotel - Contracts. Attorney Nunn asks Council to give Mayor Perkins the authority to sign any type of contracts as it relates to any contracts that are in place now and any contracts that are assumed. A motion was made by Councilman Leashore, and seconded by Councilwoman Allen, to authorize Mayor Perkins to sign contracts as it relates to the St. James Project. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present.

N. Resolution - Start-Up Costs - St. James Hotel Project. Attorney Nunn presented Council with a Resolution which represents Start-Up Costs for the St. James Hotel Project in the amount of \$1,000.00, to be transferred from the Lodging Tax Fund, and asks Council favorable consideration of said Resolution. A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, and seconded by Councilman Leashore, to approve said Resolution. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present.

O. Resolution - Amount of Assets to Mr. Striplin. Attorney Nunn presented Council with a Resolution which represents an agreeable amount for the assets that are owned by Mr. Striplin and/or the Management Group, in the amount of \$20,000.00. Attorney Nunn further stated this amount will be reimbursed to the City of Selma within the next two weeks, when the new Investors come in. Attorney Nunn stated this amount will represent a down-payment that will be put into the new lease agreement to lease the St. James Hotel. During discussion, Ms. Cynthia Mitchell addressed the Council, and stated this resolution will be revised to increase our revenue line item for the \$10,000.00 versus the expense of the \$10,000.00 so that it will off-set it. A motion was made by Councilman Leashore, and seconded by Councilwoman Martin, to approve said resolution with the revision made. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council members present.

P. Reconvene Council Meeting - Wednesday, June 27, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. Attorney Nunn requested of Council to reconvene this Council meeting until Wednesday, June 27th to introduce Council to a proposed Lessee for the St. James Hotel.

Q. Rules and Guide Handbook - Schedule and Time-Line. Attorney Nunn stated to Council what they have before them is a binder which includes information as it relates to the municipal attorney, as well as, information on the 2008 election calendar with time guidelines and related information that he feels will be helpful. Attorney Nunn further stated as new information becomes available he will forward to Council members so that they can insert into their binders to keep to refer back to as needed.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

I. SICKLE CELL UTILIZATION OF OFFICE SPACE IN GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL

Mayor Perkins stated this is still on-going, and he will follow-up with a report back to the Council.

II. ENVIRONMENTAL COURT UPDATE

Mayor Perkins stated the Amount of Unpaid Garbage Fees Owed and Amount of Unpaid Court Fines Owed will be tied into and with Environment Court, and that they have not had a chance to meet but will report back to the Council with an update when that meeting has taken place.

III. E-911 TOWER - UPDATE

Mayor Perkins stated this is on-going, and will report back to the Council after he and Judge Ballard meet.

IV. REQUEST FOR LIST OF CERTIFIED POLICE OFFICERS

Councilman Williamson stated he had received the requested information from Mayor Perkins, and they will follow-up with a meeting to discuss this matter in detail.

V. STOLEN MILLION DOLLARS - UPDATE

Attorney Nunn is still researching this matter.

VI. COUNCIL'S WEBPAGE CONTENTS

President Evans requests Council to provide information to IT Department if they have not done so.

VII. UPDATE ON FINANCE DPEARMTNE TIPLEMENTING MANAGEMNT LETTER RECOMMENDATIONS

Mayor Perkins stated this is an on-going initiative.

VIII. SELMA & DALLAS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION BOARD APPOIENTS

This item was tabled until the next Council meeting.

IX. LIST OF CITY BOARDS' APPOINTMENTS

President Evans stated the Mayor's Office is still working on this item.

X. REQUEST FOR LIST OF NEARLY \$900,000.00 OF UNPAID BILLS ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2006

Councilman Williamson stated he has forwarded a letter to Mayor Perkins as it relates to this item.

XI. UPDATE ON NOISE CITATIONS FOR JUNE 2007

Councilman Leashore asked President Evans to ask Mr. George Henry to come down to City Hall before the Council meeting and allow the Council members to cut PSA's for the Council members who have not done so, as an appeal asking them to do so.

XII. FARMERS MARKET PURCHASE (COST)

Attorney Nunn stated he met with Attorney Kelly on last Friday, and will follow-up with the Judge as to how the Farmers Market came about, and the history of it.

XIII. CORRECTION OF OCTOBER 4, 2004 MEETING MINUTES

Councilwoman Crenshaw asked how did it become an issue that she voted for herself on the Water Board, and how can it be cleared up. President Evans stated the question came up as a

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result of the vote that was taken by Councilwoman Allen when she was appointed to the Water Board, and the question was whether or not she voted for herself, and that is how it all started President Evans stated he and Councilman Williamson looked at the minutes, and listened to the tape, and that is how it originated. President Evans stated his conclusion was it was not clear who voted for whom and that is where he left it. Councilwoman Crenshaw stated to President Evans she is going to appeal to this Council to get a poll of how each person voted and will make that a matter of record, under oath or via an affidavit it will be asked as to how they voted because right now he is not sure, and she wants some clarity, and she will go as far as she has to get this matter straightened out. Councilman Leashore stated to President Evans that he is going on record to say that this will not be an issue, what he has read based on the statutes and the codes, when there are appointments there must be a roll call vote, and that was done. Councilman Leashore further stated that has not been done in several instances, for the record. President Evans stated he can not say to anyone as to how they voted that night, other than what the minutes reflect.

XIV. POLICE CHIEF'S RESIGNATION

President Evans stated Mayor Perkins issued a letter to the Council, and held a Press Conference as it relates to the Police Chief's Resignation. Councilman Cain stated he has some questions about Police Chief remaining on for 4-5 months, and he also wants to know who is going to do the performance of evaluations, and whether it will be Chief Martin, during this interim period? President Evans stated, if he is not mistaken, from conversations he and Mayor Perkins have had, his plan is to do a search for a new Police Chief through the Personnel Department and ask the Public Safety Committee to be a part of that process when he gets to that point. President Evans further stated the Council and Mayor Perkins would probably meet, and can have some dialogue, to get some answers as it relates to this matter.

XV. POLICE DEPARTMENT EVALUATION

President Evans stated he made a copy of the Police Department Evaluation to each Council member, and asks that they hold onto it, and review it until all of the evaluations and interviews have been completed before they have any public discussions about it. President Evans stated the Consultant has indicated that once all of the information is gathered he will share it with them, and they will have a public meeting to discuss what the findings were. President Evans asks Council to hold onto the copies until all of the information is received. Councilman Leashore stated to President Evans he is going on record to say, "there is no honor on the Council, and there is some scheming on this Council who mean this City no good; they are very disrespectful to each other and they are ore disrespectful to this matter, and it just needs to stop, Mr. President". President Evans stated it is no confidentially about what he said to the Council; it is just a matter of respect, and that was the purpose of sending it everybody so that Council would know what is going on, on a day-by-day basis. President Evans asks that Council hold true to that for the purpose of waiting until it is all finished before they begin to do something otherwise.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION COMMITTEE - Councilman Leashore, Chairperson

No Report.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE - Councilman Dr. Cecil Williamson, Chairperson

No Report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - Councilwoman Dr. Geraldine Allen, Chairperson

Councilwoman Allen would like to see the records of when the Hardie Avenue Speedbreakers were placed, and asked Attorney Nunn to assist her with this.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Councilwoman Bennie Ruth Crenshaw, Chairperson

Discussed the St. James Hotel Project earlier.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Councilwoman Venter, Chairperson

Councilwoman Venter reported. Copy of minutes are attached.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS COMMITTEE - President Evans, Chairperson

President Evans stated \$800.00 has been collected from the Council discretionary. Councilman Leashore appealed to Councilman Williamson to give \$200.00 on his behalf to Rev. Winston Williams, and Councilman Williamson agreed to donate \$200.00 to this effort.

CLOSING REMARKS BY EACH COUNCIL MEMBER.

ADJOURNMENT

Following the above discussion, a motion was made by Councilwoman Allen, and seconded by Councilman Leashore, to recess the meeting at 9:18 p.m., until Wednesday, June 27th at 10:00 a.m., and by unanimous consent of the Council.



GEORGE P. EVANS, *Council President*

ATTEST:



LOIS WILLIAMS, *City Clerk*

APPROVED:



JAMES PERKINS, JR., *Mayor*