

**MINUTES OF THE  
SELMA CITY COUNCIL  
JUNE 23, 2009  
5:00 P.M.**

Call to Order

Invocation: Reverend Reginald Wells, Pastor  
Holiness Temple Church of Christ in Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

The Selma City Council met in a regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The following members were present during roll call: Council President Dr. Geraldine Allen and Council members Cecil Williamson, Susan Keith, Angela Benjamin, Benny L. Tucker, and Corey Bowie. Others present were Mayor George Evans, City Clerk Ivy S. Harrison, City Attorney Jimmy Nunn, City Treasurer Cynthia Mitchell and the Mayor's Executive Assistant Brenda Smothers. Councilwoman Monica Newton and Councilwoman Bennie R. Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

President Allen asked for the approval of the agenda items. A motion was made by Councilman Bowie, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to approve the agenda items as written. **The motion carried with a unanimous (show of hands) vote of the Council members present.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

After approval of the agenda, President Allen asked for the approval of the minutes of June 9, 2009 regular meeting minutes. A motion was made by Councilman Randolph, and seconded by Councilman Bowie, to approve the minutes of June 9, 2009. **The motion carried with a unanimous (show of hands) vote of the Council members present.**

**PRESENTATION OF LONGEVITY CERTIFICATES AND PINS**

Mayor Evans stated he would like to present Certificates of Service and Longevity Pins in recognition of the following employees: Mrs. Laura Sue Harrell, Selma Police Department, *Fifteen Years of Service* to the City of Selma and Sgt. Joseph Bills, Selma Police Department, *Twenty Years of Service* to the City of Selma. Mayor Evans stated he would like to thank each of them for their Years of Dedicated Service to the City of Selma.

**CITIZEN'S REQUEST**

Mr. Brent Harris

Re: Concerns with Downtown Developments and the Riverview Historic District - Code Violations

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. **Riverfront Park Groundbreaking Ceremony.** Mayor Evans stated he wanted to thank President Allen and all of the Council Members, the Guests and Citizens who attended and participated at the Riverfront Park Groundbreaking Ceremony on today. Mayor Evans further stated this is a "work in progress", and as he stated today this particular Riverfront can change everything about Selma once everybody gets "on board". Mayor Evans stated to Council that progress has been made, and progress will continue to be made. Mayor Evans further stated he recognizes the fact that there is a lot to be done, but he believes that in time they will see a tremendous change in a lot of things. Mayor Evans stated he wanted to thank all of the Citizens who came, and all of the Staff Departments who worked to make this event possible, along with all of the individuals who came before him who contributed to this Project, such as former Mayor Joe T. Smitherman, Mrs. Elizabeth Driggers and the Planning & Development Department, former Mayor James Perkins, Jr. and all of the Staff and the Council Members during that time, who participated. Mayor Evans stated they all prepared us in getting to the point where we can take it off of the "paper" and put it on the "ground" for the purpose of moving forward. President Allen stated that she would like to "ditto" what the Mayor has just stated, but she, too, would like to give a "handclap" to the Community Development Department for spearheading this event which was "excellent" this morning. President Allen further stated she realizes it took a lot of work but it was well done and that they are very thankful. President Allen stated she, along with the Council, thanks all of our Citizens for their support.

B. **Visiting Dixie Boys Baseball Tournament Teams.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that he has received from Coach Reece, City Recreation Director, a schedule for the weekend of June 26<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>, wherein Selma will host Two (2) District 4 Dixie Boys Baseball Tournaments, to be played at the Selma Complex. Mayor Evans further stated the Teams are from Selma, Prattville, Millbrook and Holtville. Mayor Evans stated it is just wonderful that we have Teams coming to the City of Selma to play games in the Dixie League, and he welcomes them. Mayor Evans stated he wanted to thank Coach Reece, and Councilman Randolph, who is Committee Chairman of that Department, for their efforts in making events like these happen in our City.

C. **Proclamation - "Selma Firefighter's Appreciation Month".** Mayor Evans stated to Council that he has prepared a Proclamation for the Council to approve and adopt, joining the Muscular Dystrophy Association in recognition of the Selma Firefighters, to proclaim the Month of June, 2009, in honor of our Firefighters for their efforts in keeping our Citizens safe, and helping to raise the awareness of neuromuscular diseases. Mayor Evans read the Proclamation in Honor of "Selma Firefighter's Appreciation Month" in its entirety, and presented the Proclamation to Fire Chief Henry Allen and the Selma Fire Department.

D. **Honeywell Broadband/Wi-Fi - Proposal.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should have within their packets a copy of the Letter of Authorization/Agreement for Honeywell to perform a preliminary investigation to assess the feasibility of a performance contract, effective for 180 days or until it is superseded by an executed contract between the City of Selma and Honeywell. Mayor Evans further stated this particular document does not obligate the City of Selma at this time, but gives them the authorization to do the investigation and gather the information that is necessary to move forward, and then come back and present to the Council a proposal and a cost. President Allen stated to Council that the Administrative Committee had had a very productive meeting, and asked that Councilman Williamson read the Minutes from that Committee Meeting. Following the reading of the Administrative Committee Meetings, a motion was made by Councilman Williamson, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, to approve the Letter of Authorization/Agreement to Honeywell to proceed to perform a preliminary investigation, with the understanding that there is no cost involved to the City of Selma, and no obligation on the City of Selma's part. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

E. **Bond Referendum - Maynard Cooper & Gale - Letter of Engagement.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that each of them should have a copy of the Bond Referendum from Maynard Cooper & Gale, as it relates to a Letter of Engagement from the Firm. Mayor Evans further stated Ms. Terri Sewell of the Firm, put together the package for them in the previous Bond, but at this time she is campaigning for "Office" and is unable to do any work with the Firm as of now, but that she recommended Mr. Frank D. McPhillips of the Firm of Maynard Cooper & Gale. Mayor Evans stated he has prepared a Letter of Engagement for the purpose of moving forward on this, which will be similar to the Proposal presented to the Council in the last Bond Referendum. Mayor Evans further stated if the Bond fails then we will owe the Company \$25,000.00, and if it passes we will owe the Company \$40,000.00. Mayor Evans stated we paid \$35,000.00 to the Law Firm last year for the Bond. Mayor Evans stated Maynard Cooper & Gale has the expertise, and has all of our information from the previous Bond, and he is recommending that the Firm of Maynard Cooper & Gayle handle the Bond Referendum as the Bond Attorneys on behalf of the City of Selma, and asked Council's favorable consideration of the same. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Tucker, and seconded by Councilman Bowie, to approve the Letter of Engagement offered by the Law Firm of Maynard Cooper & Gale for the Bond Referendum. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council Members present. There were six affirmative votes and one nay vote. Councilman Williamson cast a nay vote. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council Meeting.

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F. **Bond Referendum - Possible Dates for Public Hearing - Project List - Update.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that possible dates for a public hearing have not been set yet as it relates to the Bond Referendum, but thinks at their next Council meeting they can possibly set some dates for July during a Work Session. President Allen stated to Council that she would like for them to review for discussion the items listed for the Bond Issue Projects given to them by the Mayor, and also stated that they will be having a Work Session to discuss the Bond, in July.

G. **Weed & Seed Program - Update - Crime Statistics.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that each of them should have a copy of the Weed & Seed meeting that was held. Mayor Evans further stated based upon the Crime Statistics Report that was submitted on behalf of Police Chief Riley, there are three Wards, which is also based upon the crime data that would qualify for us to put together a Weed & Seed Proposal; namely, Ward 5, Ward 8 and Ward 3. Mayor Evans stated these are the top three (3) Wards that have the greatest amount of concern based upon the crime statistical data. Mayor Evans further stated the Committee is meeting to try to come up with the timelines and data on that.

H. **Resolution #R212-08/09 - CDG Engineers - Proposal for Engineering Design Services - Landfill Project.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that each of them should have before them the CDG Engineers and Associates' Proposal for Engineering Design and Construction Management Services as it relates to the City of Selma Landfill Project, which reflects a fee of \$35,000.00 to perform the scope of work to be done. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Tucker, and seconded by Councilman Bowie, to enter into an agreement for professional engineering and construction administration services with CDG Engineers and Associates for the City of Selma's Landfill Project, in consideration of a fee of \$35,000.00, to be encumbered via the Engineering and Professional Services' Line Item (6.6303 100.10). A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council Members present. There were five affirmative votes and two nay votes. Councilman Randolph and Councilman Williamson each cast a nay vote. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council Meeting.

I. **Second Avenue Sewer Project - Update.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that he had brought a proposal to them at the last Council meeting, as to what it would cost to do the Project on Second Avenue, as it relates to the cave-in and sewage problem to the home there. Mayor Evans further stated that they have been trying to find ways to find money for that Project, but there is no money available for that Project; that they had tried to find a way to use the Gasoline Fund, but that the League of Municipalities advised that we could not use funds from that account for this particular project. Mayor Evans stated to President Allen and the Council that at this point they will need to come up with a way to fund this project, possibly from their Oil Lease money, and that it is going to cost approximately \$3,500.00 each, in order to get it done. During discussion, President Allen opened the "floor" for a motion as it relates to the Second Avenue Sewer Project funding. President Allen stated since there was not a motion from the "floor", that she was going to ask that the Council has an immediate Work Session to discuss this situation, by the next Council meeting. President Allen stated to Mayor Evans that this item will be brought back before the Council at the next Council meeting for action.

J. **Selma Water Works & Sewer Board - Update.** Mayor Evans stated as Superintendent of the Water Board, he would like to update the Council as it relates to the Water Board. Mayor Evans reported that each individual has forty-five (45) days in which to pay their water bill; Mayor Evans stated if the water bill is not paid within forty-five (45) days it is considered delinquent, and the water will be disconnected. Mayor Evans further stated if that happens, they will have to pay the delinquent water bill amount, and any other incurring costs and/or fees attached to the account. Mayor Evans stated he would like to encourage all of our Citizens to pay their water bill before it becomes delinquent, which will also be subject to additional fees for reconnection if water service should get disconnected. President Allen stated, since she is one of the Members of the Board, she would like to report that they are also going to have a public forum for discussion of the rates that may change with the Water Board, also. President Allen further stated to Council that she is placing in their mailboxes, a copy of all of the minutes of the last meeting that they had with the Water Board.

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A. **Resolution #210-08/09 - Abandoning a Portion of a Sewer Easement.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that this is the matter that was brought before the Council during the Mayor's Report, as it relates to the Second Avenue Project. Attorney Nunn further stated that they have gone forward, and an easement has been obtained for a new easement for the sewage line to go around the house, and that the said easement around the carport will be vacated and abandoned, and a new easement will be added by the City of Selma and recorded. Attorney Nunn stated since we did not approve the funding for this project, said Resolution #210-08/09 can be brought back up at the next Council meeting for action by the Council.

B. **Resolution #R211-08/09 - Resolution Declaring Certain Properties as Dangerous and/or A Nuisance Within the City of Selma.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that Resolution #R211-08/09 represents certain properties that have been classified as "public nuisance and immediate abatement" within

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provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Selma, and that these properties have been identified as having weeds and/or grass on the properties, and are in violation of our Ordinance #O118-06/07. Attorney Nunn asked Council's consideration of the same. A motion was made by Councilman Tucker, and seconded by Councilwoman Benjamin, to approve Resolution #R211-08/09. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

C. **Ordinance #O115-08/09 - Ordinance Conveying Property to Teresa Lambert - 207 Lindberg Street, Selma, Alabama.** Attorney Nunn stated during the last Council meeting, it was requested that he meet again with Mrs. Teresa Lambert, as it relates to a cost that was lower than the amount in which she stated that she could not afford, as it relates to purchasing the property at 207 Lindberg Street here in Selma. Attorney Nunn further stated the cost that she stated she could afford to pay to purchase the property is in the amount of \$1,800.00. Attorney Nunn stated if the Council is in agreement with the amount of \$1,800.00 as the purchase price, then Ordinance #O115-08/09 represents that agreement, and he is asking Council's consideration of the same, to be placed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading. A motion was made by Councilwoman Keith, and seconded by Councilman Bowie, to approve placing said Ordinance #O115-08/09 on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

D. **Ordinance #O116-08/09 - Ordinance to Regulate and Promote the Safe Operations of Skateboards, Roller Skates, and Other Non-Motorized Vehicles Within the City of Selma, Alabama.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that what they have before them is Ordinance #O116-08/09, per Councilman Bowie and Councilman Williamson, as it relates to Skateboards. Attorney Nunn further stated Ordinance #O116-08/09 is a "blanket" Ordinance, and it is to regulate and promote the safe operations of skateboards, roller skates, and other non-motorized vehicles within the City of Selma. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Williamson, and seconded by Councilwoman Benjamin, to place said Ordinance #O116-08/09 on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, and also in the "hands" of the Public Safety Committee, to allow public input, and have ready by the last meeting in July, 2009, for action on the part of the Council. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

E. **Three-Wheel Vehicle - Off the Road Operation.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that Councilman Bowie had requested research as it relates to Three-Wheel Vehicles. Attorney Nunn further stated from his conversation with the League of Municipalities today, he was referred to the Attorney General's Opinion, 86-00033, of which they should have a copy of before them, wherein three-wheel vehicles and off-road vehicles are prohibited by State Law on streets within Municipalities. Attorney Nunn stated it can be enforced under the State Law, or he can try and have a draft ordinance prepared that will reflect our State Law, by the next Council meeting.

F. **Alcoholic Beverage License Application - Rothia Johnson WJ's Social Club - 1317 Voeglin Avenue.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that this matter as it relates to a Lounge Retail Liquor License application on behalf of Ms. Rothia Johnson, WJ's Social Club, located at 1317 Voeglin Avenue, was brought before the Council at the April 14<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, and was placed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading at that time. Attorney Nunn further stated during the next Council meeting, May 12<sup>th</sup>, the Council, with a motion by Councilman Tucker, and a second by Councilman Keith, denied the said Lounge Retail Liquor License application with regard to the WJ's Social Club. Attorney Nunn stated he had spoken with Councilman Tucker about the procedure this application would have to follow if the matter were to be brought back up at a future Council meeting. Attorney Nunn further stated that he had also spoken with the State ABC Board on today, and was advised that the license application at this point and time has not been forfeited, and that the Council could reconsider their vote and take action, or take different action from what was previously done on this same liquor license application if they wanted to. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Tucker, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to reconsider and approve the said Lounge Retail Liquor License application as it relates to WJ's Social Club Lounge Retail Liquor License Application. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council Members present. There were six affirmative votes and one nay vote. Councilman Williamson cast a nay vote. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

G. **U. S. Department of Justice - School Board.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that the submission letter was forwarded to the U.S. Department of Justice on June 10, 2009, but he has not heard anything back from them as of yet. President Allen stated she did receive correspondence as it relates to the School Board, and that she, as Council President and the Council, along with Mayor Evans collectively as Municipal Government, want to send their sympathy out to the Family of Attorney John Williams, who passed away and was a Member of the School Board. President Allen stated that their Prayers are with the Family, and that we are sorry for their loss, and very thankful for the service that Attorney Williams gave to the School Board; appointed for two (2) terms and he was in his second term of office. President Allen further stated during the May 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, they were in discussion about the Board Members whose terms were coming up for expiration dates; specifically, there are two (2) now who have expired terms on the

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Board. President Allen stated at that particular time the Council voted unanimously that this Council would not change the make-up of the Board, and that there would be no reappointments to the Board, and that they would allow these terms to end at the time that the Council hopefully get its approval of their October 27, 2009 hopefully date for the election of School Board Members. President Allen further stated that the School Board wanted to reiterate that as far as the Board is concerned, the Board is still functional as a group even though they have received this great tragedy in the loss of Attorney Williams. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Randolph, and seconded Councilwoman Keith, to extend the School Board Members, until the election of the School Board Members, regardless of the circumstances surrounding the vacancy. Councilman Williamson amended the motion to state that they will appoint enough School Board Members where there will always be a quorum to discuss the business of the School Board, and the amendment was accepted. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

H. **Resolution - In Honor of United States Army Sgt. Ricky Dewayne Jones.** Councilman Williamson asked President Allen if it would be appropriate to ask Attorney Nunn to draft a Resolution on behalf of the Mayor and the Council, expressing their thanks for the service of Sgt. Jones, and expressing Prayers and condolences to his Family. President Allen stated she did plan to discuss this, but that if he wanted to do so he could. A motion was made by Councilman Williamson, and seconded by Councilman Tucker/Randolph, to authorize Attorney Nunn to draft a Resolution in Honor of Sgt. Jones, to be signed and executed by the Mayor and the Council Members, to be delivered personally to his Family. President Allen stated she had planned to announce and refer each of them to today's Selma Times-Journal wherein there is a publishing of "A Plantersville Soldier Killed in Afghanistan", affectionately known as "MoJo", but officially he was known as U.S. Army Sgt. Ricky Dewayne Jones. President Allen further stated we do send our condolences and our Prayers, and we thank this Family for the service of an Honored Hero who has died in the line of "fire". A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

I. **Resolution - In Honor of Attorney John Williams.** President Allen stated we send our condolences and our Prayers to the Family of Attorney John Williams during his passing. A motion was made by Councilwoman Benjamin, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to authorize Attorney Nunn to draft a Resolution in Honor of Attorney John Williams, School Board Member who passed away, expressing our thanks to his Family for his services to the Selma City School Board, and to the City of Selma. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

I. **TEMPORARY BUSINESS PERMIT FOR VENDORS**

Councilman Bowie asked Mayor Evans if there is a procedure in place to check the temporary business license of the Vendors along the streets? Mayor Evans responded, and stated Mr. Rodney Reese is actually assigned that responsibility of going out to verify. Mayor Evans further stated he will remind Mr. Reese of this, and asked if there were any specific locations that he would like checked at this particular time, and if so, he would follow-up on that. President Allen asked Council Members if they have identified Vendors who are operating in instances such as this, to forward that list to her, and she will e-mail Mayor Evans the information.

II. **NOISE ORDINANCE**

President Allen stated to Council that they did receive at the last Council meeting the report that was submitted by Chief Riley as it relates to the Noise Ordinance.

III. **JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> FESTIVITIES**

President Allen stated the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration - SubCommittee had a meeting on Monday, June 22, 2009, in the Council Chambers at 5:00 p.m. President Allen stated the Sub-Committee Members present were: Mayor Evans, President Allen, Councilman Randolph, Councilwoman Newton, Councilman Bowie, Councilman Tucker, the Mayor's Executive Assistant, Ms. B. J. Smothers, and Dr. Bruce Taylor. President Allen further stated not in attendance of the Meeting was Mrs. Patti Sexton, Planning & Development Office, but that she has had discussion with her. President Allen stated she wanted to state this personally to Councilman Randolph, that she, along with the Council, thanks him for the idea that he had that was facilitated with Dr. Taylor, which she thinks is going to be good for the Council. President Allen further stated Councilman Randolph was very vigilant, and very energetic and motivated, and made several calls to her in response to getting this done by the time of the meeting on Monday, and she wanted to thank him

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because he "spearheaded" this, and really should have been the "Chair", and that she will remember that next time. President Allen stated during their meeting Dr. Taylor was very excited about the possibility of the City to "Tag Team" with 'Dr. Taylor and Taylorville', to support his Fireworks Show for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July at Taylorville. President Allen further stated Dr. Taylor had already called the City of Selma, and had validated with the Mayor that our City would not be this year doing the fireworks out at Bloch Park, and he did not want to be in competition with our City, but did not want our City to go without fireworks this year. President Allen stated, in support, the City would present a Festival Program, starting at 8:00 p.m., at Taylorville in the Picnic Pavilion, and then after the Program, the fireworks being sponsored by Taylorville. President Allen further stated the Council is being asked to give from their discretionary fund, those that have funds left, to at least raise \$1,200.00 for security needs (6 Police Officers on a contract basis - \$480.00), fans and flags. A motion was made by Councilman Randolph, and seconded by Councilwoman Benjamin, to approve Discretionary Funds from the Council to be donated to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festivities' Program, in the amount of \$1,200.00. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

**IV. WAIVER OF FEE - SELMA YOUTH & COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA**

President Allen stated Dr. Helen Carter of the Selma Youth & Community Orchestra will be doing a free concert to the community on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the Performing Arts Center, but they cannot afford the fee because these are young children, and they are asking that the Council waive the fee. A motion was made by Councilwoman Keith, and seconded by Councilman Bowie, to waive the fee to allow the Selma Youth & Community Orchestra to perform a free concert to the community on August 22, 2009. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

**V. UPDATE ON OLD AGENDA ITEMS**

- i. Phoenix Park - President Allen stated we have not heard back yet from the individuals who are working on the contract for review, but they did indicate that they will be getting back with us real soon.
- ii. President Allen stated on tomorrow questions will be sent to the Mayor, as it relates to the Audit. President Allen also stated she has received questions from Councilman Bowie, Councilman Williamson and herself, and if there is anyone else who has questions, she needs those immediately and requests that they be e-mailed to her on tonight, because on tomorrow those questions will be forwarded to the Accountant, so that they can place on the agenda for the next Council meeting for the Audit discussion.
- iii. Mayor Evans addressed the Council, and stated he would like to remind the Council that the Council has the responsibility of appointing the Industrial Board Members, and there are four (4) re-assignments that need to be done as soon as possible, and he asked the Council for recommendations to be brought back at the next Council meeting, if possible. President Allen asked Council Members to e-mail her their recommendations, and she will get that listing to the Mayor.
- iv. President Allen asked Council Members to be prepared in July to give her their interests in assignments, via e-mail, for the upcoming new year/term, so that the Council can already be prepared to start the new year/term, with their assignments for each of the Committees.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**RECREATION COMMITTEE - Councilman Samuel Randolph, Chairman**

No report.

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE - Councilwoman Monica Newton, Chairman**

Councilman Williamson made a report, in the absence of Councilwoman Newton.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - Councilman Corey Bowie, Chairman**

Councilman Bowie made a report. Recommendations from the Committee for action from the Council, as it relates to Public Buildings' Rental for Parties and Dances (Ages 15 - 30) are as follow:

- i. Must have two certified (off duty) Police Officers (in Uniform), along with two (2) security guards (Lessee expense) to work entire event. Lessee must provide verification whereby off-duty, uniformed Officers have been secured to provide security for the entire event.

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- ii. Lessee over 30 with interest in having a private party must provide adequate security during the entire event. Verification must be provided.
- iii. No loitering.
- iv. No hoods or bandannas.
- v. Lights must be on at all times; no dim lights.
- vi. Each participant must go through a metal detector scan.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Keith, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, to accept the recommendations brought to the Council by the Public Safety Committee. An amended motion was made by Councilwoman Keith, and seconded by Councilman Bowie, that if participants go out of the building that they must stay out, and not be allowed to come back into the building to the party. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council Members present. There were five affirmative votes and two nay votes. Councilman Randolph and Councilman Tucker each cast a nay vote. Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Crenshaw were absent from the Council meeting.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Councilwoman Angela Benjamin, Chairperson**

Councilwoman Benjamin made a report.

**PUBLIC WORKS/GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE - Councilman Benny Tucker, Chairperson**

No report.

**SELMA-DALLAS YOUTH AMBASSADORS - Councilwoman Bennie Ruth Crenshaw, Chairperson**

Councilwoman Crenshaw was absent from the meeting.

**CHILDREN AND FAMILIES - Councilwoman Angela Benjamin, Chairperson**

Councilwoman Benjamin made a report.

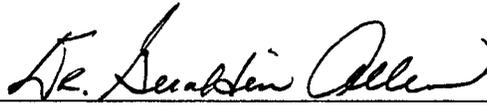
**DISCRETIONARY COMMITTEE - President Geraldine Allen, Chairperson**

President Allen reported for a total of \$950.00 so far for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration Festivities from President Allen, Councilman Williamson, Councilwoman Keith, Councilwoman Newton (verbally), and Councilwoman Benjamin.

**CLOSING REMARKS BY EACH COUNCIL MEMBER.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Councilman Randolph, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, to adjourn, and by unanimous consent of the Council, this meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

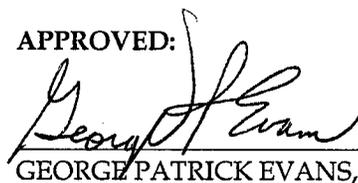


DR. GERALDINE ALLEN, *Council President*

ATTEST:

  
IVY S. HARRISON, *City Clerk*

APPROVED:

  
GEORGE PATRICK EVANS, *Mayor*