

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
LAFAYETTE ROOM
JUNE 17, 2015
5:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Nat Robertson

Council Members Kathy Jensen (District 1); Kady-Ann Davy (District 2); H. Mitchell Colvin, Jr. (District 3); Chalmers McDougald (District 4); Robert T. Hurst, Jr. (District 5); William J. L. Crisp (District 6); Larry O. Wright, Sr. (District 7); Theodore Mohn (District 8)

Absent: James W. Arp, Jr. (District 9)

Others Present:

Theodore Voorhees, City Manager
Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager
Rochelle Small-Toney, Deputy City Manager
Jay Reinstein, Assistant City Manager
Karen McDonald, City Attorney
Mark Brown, PWC Customer Service Director
Anthony Kelly, Assistant Police Chief
Pamela Megill, City Clerk
Members of the Press

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robertson called the meeting to order.

2.0 INVOCATION

The invocation was offered by Council Member Wright.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Mayor Robertson and City Council.

4.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Colvin moved to approve the agenda.

SECOND: Council Member Wright

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (9-0)

5.0 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

5.1 Resolution in Support of the Connect NC Bond Initiative

Mr. Theodore Voorhees, City Manager, introduced this item and stated the resolution is in support of a referendum for the sale of bonds as outlined by Governor McCrory in the Connect NC Initiative.

Mayor Robertson stated the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners adopted the resolution earlier today.

Council Member Crisp stated we need this, it all makes sense to let the folks in D.C. know we want this.

Council Member McDougald stated he had only just received the information and had not had any time to review the material.

Council Member Colvin stated this is an opportunity for an investment in our ports.

Council Member Wright stated he attended the Governor's presentation, which was very informative and interesting; we are in desperate need of broadening our infrastructure.

Council Member Crisp stated the information should have been distributed earlier to allow everyone the opportunity to study.

Council Member McDougald stated he did not see any reference to Murchison Road in the proposed improvements.

MOTION: Council Member Crisp moved to place this item on the June 22, 2015, regular City Council meeting agenda.

SECOND: Council Member Wright

VOTE: PASSED by a vote of 8 in favor to 1 in opposition (Council Member McDougald)

5.2 Ordinance Supporting Operation Safe Summer

Ms. Karen McDonald, City Attorney, introduced this item and asked the interest of Council.

Council Member Colvin stated he liked the draft ordinance, and further stated we need to get this right and we need to spend time on reviewing it and hash it out.

Council Member McDougald questioned the legality of requiring residents to register for house parties.

Council Member Crisp stated he regularly holds cook-outs at his home for 30 to 40 family and friends, and views this as an interference with the right to assemble in his home.

Council Member Jensen stated this item needs to be addressed in a future work session, and further stated we do not need to think about ourselves, we need to think about the kids; this is bigger than our opinions.

Council Member Wright stated he agreed the Council needs to put something in place.

Mr. Anthony Kelly, Assistant Police Chief, stated the goal is to protect the attendees at the house parties, the registration is not mandatory, it is voluntary.

Mayor Pro Tem Davy stated she would like to know how other municipalities are addressing this issue.

Council Member Hurst stated he also wanted to know how other municipalities are addressing this issue, and further stated this item needed to be further discussed at a work session.

Council Member Crisp stated we need to protect our children, but not infringe on the rights of adults.

Council Member McDougald stated curfews have been found to be illegal.

MOTION: Council Member Crisp moved to place this item on the August 3, 2015, City Council work session agenda.

SECOND: Council Member Hurst

VOTE: PASSED by a vote of 8 in favor to 1 in opposition (Council Member McDougald)

6.0 CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Council Member Crisp moved to go into closed session for consultation with the attorney for an attorney-client privileged matter and discussion of litigation in the matter of *Darwin Johnson, et al. v. City of Fayetteville, et al.*

SECOND: Council Member Hurst

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (9-0)

The regular session recessed at 5:45 p.m. The regular session reconvened at 6:12 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Hurst moved to go into open session.

SECOND: Council Member Crisp

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (9-0)

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.