

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING OF THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2016
9:30 A.M.

Present: Darsweil L. Rogers, Chairman
Wade R. Fowler, Jr., Vice Chairman
Michael G. Lallier, Secretary
Evelyn O. Shaw, Treasurer

Others Present: Karen McDonald, City Attorney
Kathy Jensen, City Council Member
PWC Staff
Media

Absent: David Trego, CEO/General Manager (VACATION)
Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager
Jim Arp, Council Liaison
Kenneth Edge, County Liaison
John Ellis, Hope Mills Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rogers called the Special Meeting of Thursday, June 16, 2016 to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Commissioner Lallier and seconded by Commissioner Shaw the agenda was unanimously approved.

DISCUSSION OF REVISION OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY'S CHARTER

Chairman Rogers prefaced the discussion by stating he is appreciative of the efforts that have gone on. He stated there has been a committee of the City Council and the entire Council working cooperatively with the Commission to come up with a true win-win for the rate payers, the citizens and the overall community.

Chairman Rogers stated, as a result of this and as we proceed through this Resolution and the City Council also proceeds, all litigation and all appeals will cease. There will be an acknowledgement that the Public Works Commission's independence has been affirmed with certain caveats that are clearly enumerated in the resolution and ultimately will be in the charter that provides the City with the appropriate oversight of the activities as the City's most valuable asset.

Commissioner Lallier then presented the resolution that was considered today. He stated an item was added into it. He also distributed two versions of House Bill 392. (One has the number 3 – this one is referenced in the resolution. The second was the one – #D – is a more recent version that did not pass the Senate - but it caused him to find something that we needed to amend on today).

Commissioner Lallier stated that we have a very sensible solution to a decades old problem. Commissioner Lallier stated the Commissioners have all had the opportunity to review the various items in the resolution.

Commissioner Lallier stated the change that was added to the resolution in order to remove the provision from the Charter for Commissioners to serve five years. See Section ‘M’ of the Resolution on page _____ of the Minutes.

Before taking a vote on the Resolution, Chairman Rogers acknowledged the presence of Council Member Jensen and thanked her for her tremendous contributions and work through this entire process.

Following discussion, Commissioner Lallier motioned to approve the Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fayetteville and The City of Fayetteville Public Works Commission. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowler and unanimously approved.

COMMENTS

Council Member Jensen thanked the committee, Commissioner Lallier and Commissioner Rogers. She stated, “Everyone was very calm, and we knew we needed to have a solution”. Though when she walked in [to the committee meeting] she did not know what to expect, she was pleasantly surprised. She stated this resolution will be a great thing for our community and for PWC.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Shaw and unanimously approved. The Special Commission Meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.