

August 16, 2018 Council Meeting

The closed session meeting of the Council of the City of Martinsville, Virginia from August 14, 2018 resumed at 7:00pm on August 16, 2018 in Council Chambers, Municipal Building, with Mayor Gene Teague presiding. Council Members present included Gene Teague, Jennifer Bowles, Chad Martin and Kathy Lawson. Staff present included City Manager Leon Towarnicki, City Attorney Eric Monday, Assistant City Manager Wayne Knox,

Mayor Teague called the meeting to order. Teague advised that following the public hearing, Council would return to Closed Session which was previously recessed on August 14, 2018. In accordance with section 2.1-344 (A) Code of Virginia (1950, and as amended) upon a motion by Council Member Lawson, seconded by Council Member Bowles, Council certified that the closed session meeting on August 14, 2018 was limited to the following items with the following 4-0 recorded vote: Council Member Lawson, aye; Council Member Bowles, aye; Mayor Teague, aye and Vice Mayor Martin, aye. Council convened in Closed Session to discuss the following matters: (A) Appointments to boards and commissions as authorized by Subsection 1, (B) Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members, attorneys or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, or other specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, as authorized by Subsection 7, and (C) Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, as authorized by Subsection 3, and (D) Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, as authorized by Subsection 29.

Public hearing to receive input regarding candidates who have applied for appointment to fill a vacant City Council seat - Mayor Teague explained that a public hearing would be held for input on Council candidates before Council resumes to Closed session to begin interviews. Timothy Martin, 913 Mulberry Road spoke on behalf of Joseph Martin and expressing his opinion that Mr. Martin would be a benefit to Council. A. Riggs Roberson, 1227 Mulberry Road publicly expressed his support for Joseph Martin for the vacant Council seat. John Martin, 617 Each Church Street is Joseph Martin's father and shared Mr. Martin's passion for the City and feels that he would be a good candidate for the council vacancy. Joe Martin said he hoped Council would consider appointing him to the vacancy.

Mayor Teague closed the public hearing.

Mayor Teague advised Council would return to Closed Session. In accordance with the Code of Virginia, Title 2.2, Chapter 37—Freedom of Information Act, Section 2.2-3711(A)—Closed Meetings, the following: Appointments to boards and commissions, as authorized by

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Subsection 1. Council Member Lawson made a motion to return to Closed Session; Council Member Bowles seconded the motion with the following 4-0 recorded vote: Council Member Lawson, aye; Council Member Bowles, aye; Vice Mayor Martin, aye; and Mayor Teague, aye.

Closed Session recessed at 9:30pm and will resume on Monday, August 20, 2018 at 6:00pm.

There being no further business, Council Member Bowles made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Martin with all Council Members voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Karen Roberts
Clerk of Council

Gene Teague
Mayor