

MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL CALLED SELMA CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 18, 2008
8:00 A.M.

Call to Order

Invocation: Council President George P. Evans

The Selma City Council met in a special called session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Monday, February 18, 2008 at 8:00 a.m.

The following members were present: Council President George Evans and Council members Cecil Williamson, Reid Cain, Jean T. Martin, Geraldine Allen, Samuel L. Randolph, Johnnie M. Leashore, Bennie R. Crenshaw and Jannie M. Venter. Others present were City Clerk Lois Williams and City Attorney Jimmy Nunn.

BUSINESS ITEM:

I. RESOLUTION #R170-07/08

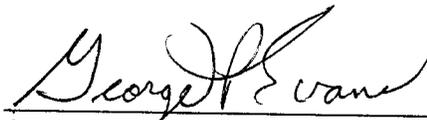
President Evans stated that the purpose of this meeting is to finalize the voting officials that were possibly revised between the last meeting and now. President Evans stated that the Council should have a copy of the listing of persons who are actually eligible to work as poll officials in "your" ward. President Evans further stated that the rule is that in cities of Classes 1 through 5, which we are a Class 5 city, based on population, then we have to use the citizens in "our ward" as polling officials. President Evans stated that what has happened since the last meeting, Ms. Williams has gone back through the list of qualified voters for each precinct and found some errors that still exist in what was approved, and he stated that she brought it to his attention. Ms. Williams stated the listing was obtained from the Secretary of States Office by way of the Dallas County Board of Registrars Office.

Councilman Williamson stated that he would like President Evans to settle the question regarding how many polling officials are needed at each place. Councilman Williamson stated that he thinks the law quoted in the paper only requires an inspector, a chief clerk, and a 1st and 2nd assistant clerk, where voting machines are used. Attorney Nunn stated that "required" doesn't mean that it cannot be over that number. Ms. Williams stated that after she spoke with Ken Smith at the "League", he stated there should be a minimum of five officials at each precinct. Ms. Williams stated she concurs, however, if there is some type of local act for Dallas County, and she would find out if there is one, it would amend to a minimum of five.

Following further discussion, after amendments for respective polling places and absentee, clarified by Ms. Williams, a motion was made by Councilman Leashore and seconded by Councilwoman Venter that each poll have five workers as it has been done in the past. President Evans also stated that with the understanding that the Clerk does have the authority to amend, or the Inspector can appoint someone within the realm of the listing. **The motion carried with a unanimous (show of hands) vote of the Council.**

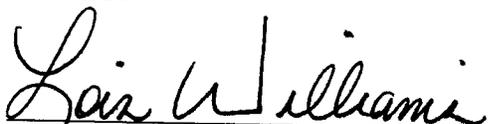
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, and seconded by Councilwoman Crenshaw, to adjourn, and by unanimous consent of the Council, this meeting adjourned at 9:06 a.m.



GEORGE P. EVANS, *Council President*

ATTEST:



LOIS WILLIAMS, *City Clerk*

APPROVED:



JAMES PERKINS, JR., *Mayor*