

October 18, 1963

CITY HALL

PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA

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The City Commission of the City of Panama City, Florida reconvened on the above date at 2 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor-Commissioner Joe E. Hutchison, Commissioners Henry Kirkland, R. H. Carswell, Luther O. Leavins and Frank Dama. Absent: None.

The Mayor presided and explained that the Commission had reconvened for the purpose of continuing the hearing of Mr. Earl Watkins, former City Manager.

Mr. Leo Jones, attorney for Mr. Watkins, called the following witnesses who testified regarding the charges placed against Mr. Watkins:

Mr. Charles E. Peterson

Mr. John A. Delcomyn

Mr. Herman Booth

Mr. Leon Mathis

Mr. Billy Kinsaul

Mr. W. H. Galloway

Mr. Frank Dama

Mr. Luther O. Leavins

Mr. Earl Watkins

Mr. Earl Duncan, attorney employed to present the charges for the City Commission, cross-examined these witnesses.

After Mr. Jones and Mr. Duncan delivered their summations, Mr. Hutchison moved that Mr. Watkins be reinstated. Mr. Carswell seconded this motion. Mr. Leavins offered a substitute motion that the removal of Mr. Watkins be sustained and confirmed. Mr. Dama seconded this substitute motion, and on a roll call vote Commissioners Kirkland, Leavins and Dama voted "YEA." NAYS: Commissioner Carswell and Mayor-Commissioner Hutchison. The Clerk then certified the substitute motion passed by a 3-2 vote.

There being no further business to come before the Commission at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Joe E. Hutchison
Mayor

/s/ Eve Williams
Assistant City Clerk