

M I N U T E S

Las Vegas, Nevada
May 23, 1977

A RECESSED REGULAR MEETING of the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, held this 23rd day of May, 1977, was called to order by his Honor, Mayor William H. Briare at the hour of 2:00 P.M. with the following members present.

Mayor	William H. Briare
Commissioner	Paul J. Christensen
Commissioner	Myron E. Leavitt
Commissioner	Ron Lurie

ABSENT (Excused)	Commissioner	Roy A. Woofter
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STAFF PRESENT	City Manager	William E. Adams
	Assistant City Manager	Richard Bunker
	Deputy City Attorney	Richard Koch
	Director of Funds, Coordination & Projects	Bruce Spaulding

APPOINTMENT OF
NEW FIRE CHIEF
LAS VEGAS METRO-
POLITAN FIRE
DEPARTMENT-
LEROY O. HAWKS

Mayor Briare: We are reconvening this meeting now having declared a recess from last Wednesday, Mr. Adams would you please first of all before you present the business for this morning or rather for this afternoon would you give a little run down to the Commission and for the people present the mandate of the legislative act relative to a Fire Chief and why we have to have a recessed meeting to handle the matter.

Mr. Adams: In essence if I may read you the particular pertinent provisions within the Bill AB-613 which states as follows: "Section 27, first subsection The Chief Administrative Officer of the Department shall be appointed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the operating city subject to the approval or ratification by the governing bodies of the operating city and participating county. Upon formation of the Department the Appointed Chief Administrative Officer takes responsibility for and organize the department." Based upon the fact that we are now set that the operation of the new department will go into effect the 1st of July 1977 we have a very short number of days in which this needs to be accomplished. With the idea in mind that the new Fire Chief would be the individual who would establish, run and maintain the Fire Department itself, it would be appropriate to have him on board as rapidly as possible to assist in the formation of that department. The rest of the staff will continue to do it's operation of putting the personnel, money and the like together but we need to have the expertise of the Chief himself if he is going to run that department to establish how it will be finally put together and run. On that basis then and under this provision of this section I have made the recommendation for the approval and ratification of this particular individual as fire chief.

Mayor Briare: Do you want to then proceed Mr. Adams with your statement as to the appointment and then the question before this Commission will be on the question as to whether the Commission wishes to ratify Mr. Adams appointment.

Mr. Adams: I would recommend for approval and ratification the appointment of Leroy O. Hawks as Chief of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Fire Department, that appointment to be effective at 12:01 A.M. 1 July 1977 at a salary of \$31,600.00 in a range of \$28,120.00 to \$35,200.00. This range is not established within our present Department but it is the feeling of the Managers Office that this is the range that should be put together for the combined department and the total operation that it will be performing.

Mayor Briare: Questions?

Commissioner Leavitt: Move we accept the recommendation.

Mayor Briare: Comments on the motion. (No response). Cast your votes. Motion is approved and the appointment is ratified Mr. Adams.

Motion carried by the following vote:
Commissioners Lurie, Leavitt, Christensen
and Mayor Briare voting aye; noes none.
Commissioner Woofter absent

Mayor Briare: Mr. Koch I talked to you this morning I asked you a question, does your opinion still hold on the salary question?

Mr. Koch: Yes it does we have not changed our opinion.

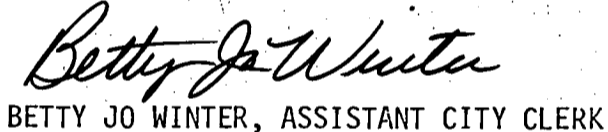
Mayor Briare: Anything else commissioners? (No response). Then we will be in adjournment until the next time.

There being no further business to come before the Board, at the hour of 2:15 P.M., Mayor Briare declared this Regular Meeting of the Board of City Commissioners A D J O U R N E D.

APPROVED:


WILLIAM H. BRIARE, MAYOR

ATTEST:


BETTY JO WINTER, ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

APPROVED BY REFERENCE at a Regular Meeting of the
Board of City Commissioners held on the 1st. day
of June, 1977.