

**CITY OF SEVEN POINTS  
MINUTES  
SEVEN POINTS CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
FEBRUARY 23, 2022, AT 7:00 PM  
CHAMBER ROOM OF SEVEN POINTS CITY HALL**

**1. Call to order and roll call.**

The Special Called Meeting of the Seven Points City Council was Called to Order at 7:01p.m by Mayor Skippy Waters; Mayor Pro Tem Andy Perdue, Council Members Michael Lowe, Charles Longacre and LaJohnna Wells were present to establish a quorum.

**2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.**

Chief Raymond Wennerstrom gave the invocation and Skippy Waters led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Public Comments.**

No one signed up to speak.

**4. Discuss and vote on setting a deadline for the removal of the container belonging to Wanda Nichols at 1052 Holiday Circle.**

Wanda Nichols stated that there were numerous containers within the city limits of Seven Points and asked why was she being singled out. This meeting was brought up so quickly that she couldn't even make arrangements for her attorney and one was in the hospital or any other witnesses on her behalf. She stated she requested a special meeting months ago and it still hasn't been addressed. She stated she felt this was a spiteful action due to her knowing what happened at the optimist building with the Mayor interrupting a Childs birthday party and making the kids cry and believes charges were filed with the Sheriffs department. If this container is removed by the City, it will result in a major law suit for the City and each Council Member. 1. I did turn in a permit for a special request to Shirley in November and you can have copies if you like. It says container. 2. I told her what to write and when I found out it was wrong, what I told her to write, I revised it on December 12<sup>th</sup>. 3. Jan Clark stated I didn't go through the process. How would she know. I started in June, actually July with Mac. I have documentation, here's the proof. I think people need to stick to the facts. 4. Starting in July, to discuss permit with Mac McKinsey, Planning and Zoning. 5. The Code Enforcement, Cameron, I'm not sure what his last name is. We talked several times after July. He said I have plenty of time to get this taken care of. It would be ok to start it at the end of November or December. He also told me it would be better to build it into my house so that's what I did. Also, a City Councilman told me to do the same because 2 years ago, it was ok to do it but as soon as I moved it in in July, they immediately ruled them out. 6. I visited with Shirley several times. At the end, she told me to contact Mac with Planning and Zoning. I contacted Mac several times. It was always an excuse, my girlfriends sick, my fathers sick, I can't come inspect it. I went through his office several times and his people, he would not come inspect it, the addition. The other member Glenda, I don't know what her last name is, was not notified and she is on the Planning and Zoning Board. She stated this to my Attorney, they didn't tell her. This is all political motivated. LaJohnna Wells stated the fact that the City Council Member that told me to do this, they are obviously not here. The reason why they're not here, she's not on the board any more, Cheryl Jones, is because she resigned in August after all this and she knew how illegal everything is that's going on when they voted to remove the containers. She did not want to be a part of these wrong doings and evil things they are doing to the citizens, especially targeting me. She said she talked to Blake Armstrong, City Attorney, and he said it is opening the City up for numerous law suits. Select Code Enforcement, there's a hundred violations around this City. Look around, chickens, goats, horses, cows, building, living in commercial buildings, living in RVs, trash, high grass, appliances on front porches, containers everywhere, businesses with more than one container, etc. Businesses are only supposed to have one container, how many businesses do you see with more than one container. Yeah, select code enforcement. I request you to take immediate action to drop these frivolous actions and grant me a permit and work with me due to the fact of select code enforcement and Political motivated. Because they told me to. It was a City Councilman that told me to and the Code Enforcement told me to build it into my house and that's what I did and I don't see a problem there. This letter here, I'll let yall see it. "To whom it may concern, I live at 1012 Harbor Drive, across the street from Wanda Nichols. I purchased the home in September of 2021." You have to remember this is 2 and 1/2 months after I already had it there. So they didn't have a leg to stand on if the place didn't sell. "It does not look like a container, it was just used as a shell. I would not have paid \$343,000.00 for a new house if I felt it was an eye-sore. We can see it from our house. My family and I have not had a problem with this addition and assumed no one else would since they are not in direct view of it." Wanda stated, here is the letter if you would like to pass it around. Going back to the permits, the first one that I filed, second one I filed. This is a

new paper, instead of something like this one, it says Mac McKinsey, Planning and Zoning, per him, given to Shirley a hand written request for a container written for me. I had her write it for me because I didn't have my glasses on or about December 24. However when it was given to Shirley it was dated December 3<sup>rd</sup> but it was December 27<sup>th</sup> when it was in her office. That was not approved December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mac didn't turn it in until about December 24<sup>th</sup> because he said he didn't have the time because he had family issues. He wouldn't give it back to the City Secretary for someone else to do it, why, Politically Motivated again. No one has tried to contact me. I applied for a special use permit, I Wanda Nichols did not have my glasses and I told Shirley all the details, attached is exhibit A. She filled it out, it was wrong and no details were included. I didn't sign the form and I am submitting a new request for a Special Use Permit in my writing, add new addition to my home, adding windows, ceiling, plumbing, electric, sliding door, patio (10X10). The plans shows that I did submit plans, ok. Shirley stated that first of all as far as me filling out the form, yes I did fill that out. She said I don't have my glasses. I filled it out. I wrote container because it is a container. I showed her the paper and she said it says container and I said because it is a container and she stated that it was an addition and I said no, it's a container. She said well, whatever we need to do to. She didn't sign it because no one signs them. Mayor Waters stated that basically the way things work is Planning and Zoning will come out. They'll look, they'll see if it's supposed to be what it's supposed to be and come to the Council with the recommendation, yay or nay. If Mac couldn't make it out then it should have been on hold till he made it out, so, if you move a container in without a permit, you know you have to have a permit. She could have come in and if you didn't get a permit at that time, the container should have never been moved in to her residence until she had a permit to do so. With that being said, if she had one council person saying it's alright to do something, well, there's four other council members that makes decisions for what the City does, not just one. She did not leave and resign due to the fact that she didn't like what's going on in the City. I'm not going to bring up her personal because it's not me but most people know the situation and that's where I'll leave that. So, with that being said, container moves in. Water needs permit and never came to the City for water permit. Wanda stated that there wasn't water. Mayor Waters stated that are you telling me you don't have water in there and Wanda stated no. Mayor Waters stated, same thing with electricity, you put electricity in it. Wanda stated that electricity was in it. Mayor Waters stated no permit, you did what you wanted to do without permits from the City. Wanda said Code Enforcement told her to do it. Mayor Waters stated "you see these people here, they are the ones making the decisions. Wanda stated "you have Code Enforcement here and if he tells me to do something then I'm going to listen to what he says. Like the City Council Member told her it was ok and she was on the board at that time. Charles Longacre as Shirley if there was any record of code enforcement talking to her approving any of this, any record of that and Shirley said she didn't have anything, no. Charles stated so there's no permits that have been approved for anything that has been done over there, ok. Wanda stated that was because she didn't know she had to have permits. Mayor Waters stated that at the last Council Meeting we had when you were asking to keep the container there you were saying there was a shower in there for your Mother to shower in, so you're telling me there's a shower there and a shower usually has to have water. Wanda said, yes sir that's why I'm coming to you. Mayor Waters stated that you can't come after the fact. Wanda stated what do you not get. Mayor Waters stated that at the last Council Meeting we voted on not having it so what we're doing here guys is we're going to vote and yall make a suggestion on how much time yall want to give. Charles asked how many days have already been allotted and Mayor Waters stated over 180 days. Charles stated that was sufficient time. Wanda stated that there are no permits all over the City and that storage buildings didn't need a permit so why would I think they I needed a permit. Charles stated he had to get a permit and he was a City Council Member. Skippy stated he was the Mayor and he already had two permits in the last six months. Charles told Wanda that she knows what the rules are she has been here long enough and that was no excuse. Wanda stated "whatever". Charles stated he feels, he doesn't know how everyone else feels but she's had 180 days and in his opinion, it should be effectively immediately. Mayor Waters stated that council needed to discuss it. Charles stated that with the rain she wouldn't be able to do anything for a week. Wanda said it was built into her house. Charles said that a week would be the 2<sup>nd</sup>. He stated that we had had three days of rain so what day are we looking at and Mayor Waters stated it would be March 2<sup>nd</sup>. LaJohnna stated that it should at least be the weekend to give her enough time to fix the side of her house. Charles stated that it had to be removed so whatever repairs done after that is up to her. We can't give any type of special favors, that's just not how this is going to work. It's straight across the board for everybody else, the Mayor had to get permits for what he did and I had to buy permits for what I did, that's just the rules of the City. Andy stated he had a deck put on his house, came to Shirley, got a permit and they built the deck because his wife had to have a ramp. Charles said as far as he was concerned, in his personal opinion, she's had ample amount of time to get this taken care of. I think the quicker the better because obviously, I don't know if, I'm guessing you guys here are neighbors, (they said yes) we've already had complaints about this from them about how can one person get away with this and if I was to do this I would never be able to get away with it. That's a fact, not with this council here. LaJohnna stated that is was not about what it is or who it is, it's about the process and the process wasn't followed otherwise it wouldn't have gone that far. Charles said "correct" and Andy Perdue stated it was the written law just like our constitution, we have to stand by what's written and we

can't vary from that. Charles stated that was right, we are here to serve our citizens. There are no exceptions, it doesn't matter who, the laws are for everybody, citizens, the Mayor, it doesn't matter who. Charles stated, so we decided on a week from now, is that what we're going to do and Mayor Waters stated it was up to you guys. Charles asked Michael Lowe if he had anything to say and he stated that things were moved in before permits were acquired and the process wasn't followed. Charles stated that all the progress has been made without a single permit being pulled, no inspections no nothing. Jan Clark asked if there was a remedy if it was not cleaned up and Mayor Waters stated that it would be taken out by court order. Charles stated that we have to vote on this to take it to the next step. Mayor Waters stated If it's not moved then the City will get the court order to move it and Ms. Nichols will be billed for the removal and a lien placed in her property. Charles asked if the lien would accrue interest and Mayor Waters stated that it would. Mayor Waters asked for a vote on the removal and Charles asked if they were all in agreement on a week. LaJohnna said she was thinking 10 – 15 days because she has things she needs to get moved or arrangements for her Mother and she needs time for that. Andy Perdue stated that would be more reasonable than a week because if bad weather sets in then nobody can move anything like that and Charles said we do need to take that into consideration. Mayor Waters stated that it has already been over 180 days and it keeps getting pushed back and the neighbors are getting frustrated because nothing is happening. Charles stated he agreed with the week. Andy asked if we needed a motion. Candice Watson stated that the citizens weren't trying to be jerks and that if she needed 10 or 15 days then she agreed with that but no more than that. She watched them bring it in on a tow truck and she understands the 10 – 15 days even though she's had ample time but she knows construction and it may take a little longer so 10 – 15 days she agrees with but she's not sure about her other neighbors. She lives behind her and has to look at it but still doesn't want to be a jerk just wants everyone to follow the rules. Charles stated that the citizens spoke and Jan Clark said she doesn't agree with the 10 – 15 days. Andy stated that if after the 15 days the City would take action. Upon motion by LaJohnna Wells and a second by Charles Longacre; the vote was four (4) for and none opposed to give Ms. Nichols until March 11, 2022 to remove the container. Motion carried. Mayor Waters told Wanda Nichols she could film all she wanted but that she had until March 11<sup>th</sup> to remove her container. Wanda Nichols asked if she could ask a question and asked if the City had the money to repair her house when they pull the container out to repair the hole in her house. She stated she would see them in court.

**5. Adjourn.**

Upon motion by Andy Perdue and a second by LaJohnna Wells; the vote was four (4) for and none opposed to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm. Motion carried.

*These minutes passed and approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022.*

APPROVED

ATTEST:

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Skippy Waters, Mayor

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Shirley Kirksey, City Secretary