

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
EMERGENCY SPECIAL MEETING
VIA TELEPHONE
SEPTEMBER 16, 2018
12:30 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Mitch Colvin

Council Members Katherine K. Jensen (District 1); Daniel Culliton (District 2); Tisha S. Waddell (District 3); D. J. Haire (District 4); Johnny Dawkins (District 5); William J. L. Crisp (District 6); Larry O. Wright, Sr. (District 7); Theodore W. Mohn (District 8); James W. Arp, Jr. (District 9)

Others Present: Douglas Hewett, City Manager
Karen McDonald, City Attorney
Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager
Telly Whitfield, Assistant City Manager
Gina Hawkins, Police Chief
Ben Major, Fire Chief
Jay Toland, Interim Chief Financial Officer
Giselle Rodriguez, City Engineer
Kevin Arata, Corporate Communications Director
Jerry Newton, Development Services Director
Michael Gibson, Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Director
Tracey Broyles, Budget and Evaluation Director
Elizabeth Somerindyke, Internal Audit Director
Dave Trego, PWC, CEO/General Manager
Pamela Megill, City Clerk
Jennifer Ayre, Deputy City Clerk
Members of the Press

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Colvin called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

2.0 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

2.1 Updates on the Impact of Hurricane Florence on the City of Fayetteville

Mr. Ben Major, Fire Chief, stated there is danger of flash flooding. Residents in critical areas have been notified of the potential danger, and notified of the mandatory evacuation order. Doors have been marked with red tape if the residents have refused to leave, and a yellow tape if no one inside the home responded.

Ms. Gina Hawkins, Police Chief, stated police have been patrolling the evacuated neighborhoods in an effort to make sure those residences are secured. Patrol of black-out areas has also been an ongoing operation.

Ms. Giselle Rodriguez, City Engineer, stated the Street Maintenance Department has been very busy with the removal of 112 trees so far. Some trees, however, are still tangled in power lines. There are still 50 traffic signals not in operation and we have 13 roads closed. The dams are being closely monitored.

Mr. Dave Trego, PWC CEO/General Manager, stated there are now below 10,000 PWC customers without power. There are still some power poles broken, and because of the uncertainty of when all repairs will be completed, PWC is reluctant to tell customers a specific date for when they expect power to be restored. Mr. Trego stated he wanted to squash rumors regarding PWC intending to cut off water, and shutting down power; these rumors are unfounded and not true.

Mr. Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager, stated there are alternate plans in place if the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has to relocate due to flooding.

Ms. Sheila Thomas-Abat, Assistant Public Services Director, provided an update on the resumed solid waste and recycling collection services.

Mr. Kevin Arata, Corporate Communications Director, stated notification of the solid waste collection and recycling collection service schedules will be going out to the public shortly.

Discussion ensued following each update.

3.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:32 p.m.