

MINUTES } CITY OF PIKEVILLE

SPECIAL MEETING - JANUARY 20, 1986

On January 20, 1986, the Pikeville City Commission was called to meet in a Special Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters only.

Police Chief Eugene Edmonds served the Notice of Special Meeting 24 hours prior to the specially called session as provided in the "Sunshine Law".

Mayor William C. Hambley, M.D., called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. with all members of the board being present as follows:

COMMISSIONER:	GREG JUSTICE
	ROBERT WEDDLE
	FRANK MORRIS
	ROBERT PAGE
MAYOR:	W. C. HAMBLEY, M.D.

City Attorney Larry Webster explained to the Commission and those present that this special meeting had been called pursuant to a personnel action in the Police Department for which a hearing had been scheduled. The Commission had the option of discussing this matter in a closed session but were told that if officer demanded a public hearing, he was entitled to it.

Robert Page made the motion to go into a closed session to discuss a personnel matter involving policeman, John Wright. Frank Morris seconded the motion. The motion carried at a vote of 5 - 0.

The meeting returned to open session upon the motion of Robert Page and seconded by Frank Morris. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried to reconvene to open session.

The City Attorney explained what had transpired in closed session. Officer Johnny Wright pleaded guilty to the charges levied against him in a closed hearing but questioned the legal validity of those charges. Officer Wright's attorney made several arguments in his behalf and several statements were made by the city's legal counsel as to the law. The City Commission deliberated after these arguments were heard.

Robert Page made the motion that the Commission find Officer Wright by reason of having admitted a social or personal relationship with a woman while on duty, be found in violation of section 3.5, subsection 20, and by reason of his personal relationship with the same woman while not on duty that he be found to be in violation of subsections 29, 49, and 53 of section 3.5 all referring to the Pikeville Police Department Patrol Manual and further moved his termination as a Police Officer retroactive to January 13, 1986. Frank Morris seconded the motion. Upon call of the roll the votes were as follows:

COMMISSIONER:	GREG JUSTICE	YES
	ROBERT WEDDLE	YES
	FRANK MORRIS	YES
	ROBERT PAGE	YES
MAYOR:	W. C. HAMBLEY, M.D.	YES

The Motion Carried.

There being no further business to discuss in this Special Meeting, Robert Page made the motion, seconded by Frank Morris to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED

W.C. Hambley, M.D.