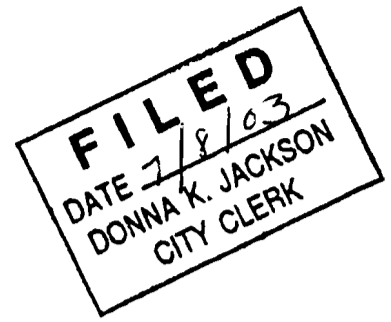


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Vice Mayor Perrin;

At the council meeting Monday night, Alderman Province requested an explanation for the paving of a city parking lot at the corner of Church and Cate. I would like to offer this information since Mr. Province is concerned about the \$ 4,000 expense involved.

1. During the week of Jan. 23, 2003 I met with Mr. Province and Jason Wilky at the lot to discuss the possible use of the lot by skateboarders and cyclist. Both agreed with the idea. At this time the lot was occupied by 4 abandoned cars, 1 burned out car, 1 trailer, and several commercial vehicles. I asked Mr. Province to develop some rules to govern the use of the city lots by private business and as a storage facility by private business, to my knowledge this still has not been addressed.

2. On Monday Feb. 3, 2003 I met with the parks committee to ask if the grant for the skate park on Race could be changed to the parking lot on Church, the committee along with Jason agreed that to change the grant at such a late time might cause the city to lose said grant. Mr. Young said that maybe as chair of the street committee that I could find the money in the street budget.

3. At the next meeting of the infrastructure committee, Mr. Barnett said that he had enough in the overlay budget to cover the paving of the lot, the committee voted to approve pending ADA compliance with Mrs. Hackney.

4. A couple of months went by without the paving being completed. I called the Mayor's office 2 weeks ago to find out what the holdup was and he said that there was no holdup. The Mayor told me he would check into the problem and the lot was paved 4 days later.

I appreciate Mr. Province's concern about the use of taxpayer's money. Maybe Mr. Province would like to attend the next infrastructure committee meeting to hear the report from the city engineers office. The report will deal with the \$ 800,000 worth of ditch paving that Mr. Province's in-laws completed that is now failing. The committee will now have to find a way to pay for this mistake.

Thank you



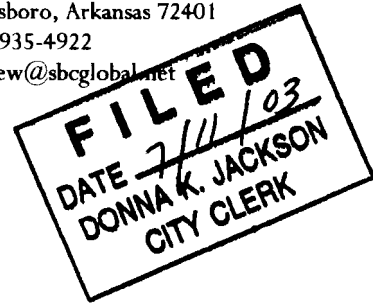
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July 10, 2003

Vice Mayor Perrin

This letter is in response to Alderman Moore's letter of July 8, 2003.

Evidently Mr. Moore still does not realize that the questions asked at the council meeting of July 7, 2003 was not one of money but one of rules, regulations, and proper procedure.

Yes, I met with Alderman Moore and police officer McDaniel on January 23, 2003 and yes, I made the statement that I saw no problem in using half of the parking lot at Cate and Church as an area for skate boarding.

At the first meeting of the Parking Committee, the committee agreed that we should prioritize the parking needs of the city, specifically the downtown area. The first priority was to be the restriping and signing of the downtown area with the second priority being the parking lots and alleys and their use and misuse in the downtown area. The paving of the parking lot in question was discussed with the committee agreeing that nothing should be done until we had looked at all parking lots and the alleys.

Mr. Moore then met with the Parks Committee on February 3, 2003 and asked that a grant be changed to accommodate his request of paving the parking lot for skate boarding, and was told that any change in the grant application could jeopardize the total grant. The Parks Committee chairman, Mr. Young, said that maybe he (Mr. Moore) could find the money in the street budget.

The Jonesboro Sun quoted Mr. Moore as stating the Parks Committee had approved the plan. The Parks Committee never approved the plan. Mr. Moore in his letter stated the Infrastructure Committee had approved the

plan. Why did he go to the Infrastructure Committee over the Parking Committee?

Again, Mr. Moore did not follow proper protocol and procedure by presenting his request to the Parking Committee, but chose to bypass the Parking Committee by going to the Infrastructure Committee which approved his request.

Mr. Moore has been totally unprofessional in the manner in which he took action by choosing to ignore the rules and regulations as set forth by the City Council, of which he is a member. By his unethical actions, Mr. Moore has shown his total disregard of the City Council.

As I mentioned in the opening of this letter, my primary concern was for the total disregard of approved procedure. Had Mr. Moore followed the rules properly, in all probability, the Parking Committee would have honored his request.

Not only has Mr. Moore been totally unprofessional, Mr. Moore has been highly unethical and irresponsible by casting aspersions that I personally, through my son's ex-marriage, had been involved in a controversial action by the city of Jonesboro. My ex-daughter-in-law Kirsten Gamble Province **is not** the daughter of Fred Barnett as insinuated by his statement. He is her step-dad but that does not make me related to him.

The people of Jonesboro deserve better than this and I feel that they are seeing more and more of what is truly happening to their city.

Mr. Moore has now shown his true colors and character.



Cecil K. Province, Jr.

Parking Committee Chairman