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not adjusted. In an interview given Monday night, the jury foreman said three votes were taken during deliberations. He described the proceedings as containing controlled periods of calm and heated debate.

He said the jury based its decision on the overall evidence without giving extra consideration to any particular item. Members of the jury also said there was no dissent by jurors on the basis of race or sex.

According to the jury foreman, the three guilty verdicts were based on the plaintiff having a stronger case and not giving consent. "I think we looked at not only a moment in the bedroom, but at a chain of events which occurred that evening," he said. "It was clear that consent was not given."

Garrison said the verdict

HAWKINS CLEARED

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Earlier this week, a police report stated that there appeared to be no violation of law or impropriety on the part of Councilman Hawkins, and that there was no basis for continuing a criminal investigation of Hawkins on the matter.

"As long as I'm city councilman, I'll continue to fight to keep local dollars in the state of Nevada in hopes of giving local firms the first opportunity to do business with the city of Las Vegas", Hawkins said.

shows sports celebrities cannot ignore the morality of the communities they are in.

"One time anyway, this behavior was not tolerated," he said. Fuller offered no comment on the case but was granted an extra 10 days to file post-trial motions.

On Monday, both sides wrapped up their respective cases with closing arguments. Both Tyson and his accuser were present in the courtroom for those statements.

Barbara Trathen summarized the state's case against Tyson for the prosecutor's office.

"I would submit to you that the defendant used his fame and his reputation in the same manner that a thug in an alley uses a knife or a gun," she said.

Trathen described Tyson as "a wolf in sheep's clothing" who

picked up in a young girl's admiration and abused it. She noted Tyson called his accuser "a Christian girl" and was wearing a "Together in Christ" button at the time.

Trathen retold the teenager's account of being asked out by Tyson during a Miss Black America pageant rehearsal last July. She said the teenager gave Tyson her room number with hopes of going out to dinner or to a party. When Tyson called the teenager's hotel at approximately 2 a.m., the contestant had already went to bed and was tricked by Tyson into visiting his hotel room, Trathen said.

Tyson's accuser was easily fooled because of Tyson's references to Christianity and because her grandfather, father and brother were fans of the boxer, the prosecutor said.

"What is she to think?" Trathen asked. "What would you expect the perception of an 18-year-old to be."

Trathen said the teenager never had a chance to consent to sex because after talking with Tyson in his room, the boxer attacked her. It was Fuller who addressed the jury on Tyson's behalf.



United Airline's captain Richard Lofton spent the day with students of Mabel Hoggard's Sixth Grade Center to discuss the high and lows of the airline industry. Pictured also is the schools principal Shirley Barber and students

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"You will be the most important component of our judicial system," he told the jury. Fuller stressed the nature of their decision in terms of being unanimous and beyond a reasonable doubt.

The defense lawyer also made a case for implied consent by noting Tyson's accuser was educated and mature for her age.

"(The accuser) may be young in years, but she was not young in her experience dealing with adults," Fuller said. "For a man to phone a woman at that hour is notice of something."

Fuller also made a point of telling the jury that Tyson clearly stated his intention to have sex earlier in the day and kissed the teenager in the limousine.

"Ask yourself what woman, not having sex on her mind, would walk into a man's bedroom at 2 a.m. in the morning and hop on the bed," Fuller said.

He also questioned the teenager's behavior in going to the bathroom when Tyson said she was turning him on and asked how Tyson could have

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