Minutes of Meeting
Monday, March 10, 2008

I. SPECIAL SESSION (EXECUTIVE SESSION) – 5:30 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM – Mayor Cindy Siegel.

Mayor Cindy Siegel called the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, to order at 5:35 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008. The Bellaire City Council met at that time and on that date in Special Session (Executive Session) under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, evaluation, and duties of the Associate Judge of the Bellaire Municipal Court. The Special Session (Executive Session) was held in the Council Conference Room (open and closed portions), First Floor of City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, Texas 77401. Mayor Siegel announced that a quorum was present consisting of herself and the following members of City Council:

Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., Position No. 2;
Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk, Position No. 3; and
Councilman John Jeffery, Position No. 6.

Councilman Pat McLaughlan, Position No. 5, arrived at 5:37 p.m. Other officials present were City Manager Bernard M. Satterwhite, Jr., City Clerk Tracy L. Dutton, Bellaire Municipal Court Judge Lisa A. Wesely, and Bellaire Municipal Court Prosecutor Robert C. Richter, Jr. City Clerk Tracy L. Dutton did not participate in the closed portions of the Special Session (Executive Session).

B. CONVENE in Executive Session (Closed Session) under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, evaluation, and duties of the Associate Judge of the Bellaire Municipal Court.

MOTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED SESSION):

A motion was made by Councilman John Jeffery and seconded by Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., to convene in Executive Session (Closed Session) under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, evaluation, and duties of the Associate Judge of the Bellaire Municipal Court.
VOTE ON MOTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED SESSION):

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
     Avioli, James P., Sr.
     Faulk, Peggy
     Jeffery, John

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Hickman, Will
       Nauert, Phil
       McLaughlan, Pat*

*Councilman Pat McLaughlan arrived at 5:37 p.m. and went directly into Executive Session (Closed Session).

City Council convened in Special Session (Executive Session) at 5:35 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008.

C. RECONVENE (Open Session) and take action, if any, on item(s) discussed in Executive Session – Action by Members of City Council.

City Council reconvened in Open Session at 6:20 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008.

MOTION TO DIRECT CITY STAFF:

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk and seconded by Councilman Pat McLaughlan to direct City Staff to change the City’s ordinance to reflect state law with a Presiding Judge and Associate Judge for the Bellaire Municipal Court and naming Lisa A. Wesely as Presiding Judge.

VOTE ON MOTION TO DIRECT STAFF:

Motion carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
     Avioli, James P., Sr.
     Faulk, Peggy
     McLaughlan, Pat
     Jeffery, John

OPPOSED: None
D. ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk and seconded by Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., to adjourn the Special Session (Executive Session) of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, at 6:21 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008.

VOTE ON MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy  
Avioli, James P., Sr.  
Faulk, Peggy  
McLaughlan, Pat  
Jeffery, John

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Hickman, Will  
Nauert, Phil

II. SPECIAL SESSION (INTERVIEWS) – 6:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM – Mayor Cindy Siegel.

Mayor Cindy Siegel called the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, to order at 6:21 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008. The Bellaire City Council met at that time and on that date in Special Session for the purpose of interviewing, discussing, and evaluating applicants for a position on the Board of Adjustment of the City of Bellaire, Texas 77401. The Special Session was held in the Council Conference Room, First Floor of City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, Texas. Mayor Siegel announced that a quorum was present consisting of herself and the following members of City Council:

Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., Position No. 2;  
Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk, Position No. 3;  
Councilman Pat McLaughlan, Position No. 5; and  
Councilman John Jeffery, Position No. 6.
Other officials present were City Manager Bernard M. Satterwhite, Jr., and City Clerk Tracy L. Dutton.

B. INTERVIEW, discussion, and evaluation of applicants for a position on the Board of Adjustment of the City of Bellaire, Texas.

The City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, interviewed the following applicants for a position on the Board of Adjustment of the City of Bellaire, Texas: Andrew Haut, Nick Bacile, Marc Steinberg, James Bettis, and Dr. Aashish Shah.

C. ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Councilman Pat McLaughlan and seconded by Councilman John Jeffery to adjourn the Special Session (Interviews) of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, at 7:25 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008.

VOTE ON MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR:  Siegel, Cindy  
       Avioli, James P., Sr.  
       Faulk, Peggy  
       McLaughlan, Pat  
       Jeffery, John

OPPOSED:  None

ABSENT:  Hickman, Will  
          Nauert, Phil

III. SPECIAL SESSION (EXECUTIVE SESSION) – 7:15 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM – Mayor Cindy Siegel.

Mayor Cindy Siegel called the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, to order at 7:25 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008. The Bellaire City Council met at that time and on that date in Special Session (Executive Session) under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the possible appointment of an Associate Judge for the Bellaire Municipal Court, including interviews of potential candidates.
The Special Session (Executive Session) was held in the Council Conference Room (open and closed portions), First Floor of City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, Texas 77401. Mayor Siegel announced that a quorum was present consisting of herself and the following members of City Council:

Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., Position No. 2; Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk, Position No. 3; Councilman Pat McLaughlan, Position No. 5; and Councilman John Jeffery, Position No. 6.

Other officials present were City Manager Bernard M. Satterwhite, Jr., City Clerk Tracy L. Dutton, Bellaire Municipal Court Judge Lisa A. Wesely, and Bellaire Municipal Court Prosecutor Robert C. Richter, Jr. City Clerk Tracy L. Dutton did not participate in the closed portions of the Special Session (Executive Session).

B. CONVENE in Executive Session (Closed Session) under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the possible appointment of an Associate Judge for the Bellaire Municipal Court, including interviews of potential candidates.

MOTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED SESSION):

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk and seconded by Councilman John Jeffery to convene in Executive Session (Closed Session) under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the possible appointment of an Associate Judge for the Bellaire Municipal Court, including interviews of potential candidates.

VOTE ON MOTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED SESSION):

Motion carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
Avioli, James P., Sr.
Faulk, Peggy
McLaughlan, Pat
Jeffery, John

OPPOSED: None
ABSENT: Hickman, Will  
Nauert, Phil

Applicants for the Associate Judge position in the Bellaire Municipal Court that were interviewed during the Executive Session (Closed Session) were: Randy Smith, William Henderson, and Jerel Twyman.

C. RECONVENE (Open Session) and take action, if any, on item(s) discussed in Executive Session – Action by Members of City Council.

City Council reconvened in Open Session at 8:32 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008.

MOTION TO DIRECT CITY MANAGER:

A motion was made by Councilman John Jeffery and seconded by Councilman Pat McLaughlan to direct the City Manager to run a background check on all applicants for Associate Judge for the Bellaire Municipal Court.

VOTE ON MOTION TO DIRECT CITY MANAGER:

Motion carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy  
Avioli, James P., Sr.  
Faulk, Peggy  
McLaughlan, Pat  
Jeffery, John

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Hickman, Will  
Nauert, Phil

D. ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Councilman Pat McLaughlan and seconded jointly by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk and Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., to adjourn the Special Session (Executive Session) of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, at 8:35 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2008.
VOTE ON MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR:
Siegel, Cindy
Avioli, James P., Sr.
Faulk, Peggy
McLaughlan, Pat
Jeffery, John

OPPOSED:
None

ABSENT:
Hickman, Will
Nauert, Phil

Respectfully submitted,

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Tracy L. Dutton, TRMC
City Clerk
City of Bellaire, Texas

Approved:

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Cynthia Siegel, Mayor
City of Bellaire, Texas