

**MINUTES  
CITY OF TEAGUE  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 15, 2017 6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM IS PRESENT: *The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Alderman Ron Rasbeary, Mayor Pro Tempore and Quorum was announced with all the Aldermen seated at their respective places with Mayor Earnest G. Pack and Alderman Chris Nickleberry being absent.*
2. INVOCATION: *Police Chief Dan Ramsey*
3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: *Alderman Marilyn Michaud*
4. VISITORS/CITIZENS COMMENTS: *At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the Agenda may speak to the Council for a maximum of three (3) minutes. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting. None*
5. CONSENT AGENDA:
  - a. Approve Minutes from the April 17, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
  - b. Approve the check register for the month of April 2017
  - c. Approve Financial Statement for April 2017

*Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Alderman Michaud, seconded by Alderman Mims. Motion carried 4-0.*

*At 6:04 PM Open Session convened into Executive Session*

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION: *"The City Council for the City of Teague reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of the meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney); 551.072 (Deliberation and Real Property); 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations); 551.074 (Personnel Matters); 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development)."*
  - Conduct employment interview with Sara Timberlake-Trevino, applicant for Bookkeeper. 551.074 (Personnel Matters)
  - Conduct employment interview with Robert Garcia, applicant for Public Works. 551.074 (Personnel Matters)
  - Conduct employment interview with Albert Jones, applicant for Assistant Public Works Director. 551.074 (Personnel Matters)

7. OPEN SESSION: *At 6:27 PM Executive Session Adjourned into Open Session*

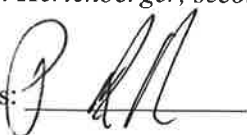
*6:28 PM Alderman Chris Nickleberry enters meeting*

8. TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY ON TOPICS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION:  
*Motion to hire Sara Timberlake-Trevino at \$15/hour on a 90 day to 6-month probation as the Bookkeeper was made by Alderman Hertenberger, seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 5-0.*

*Motion to hire Robert Garcia as \$13/hour on a 90 day to 6-month probation as an employee of Public Works was made by Alderman Mims, seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-1 (Alderman Michaud voting no)*

*Motion to hire Albert Jones at \$20/hour as the Assistant Public Works Director on a 90 day to 6-month probation was made by Alderman Hertenberger, seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 5-0.*

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9. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING THE AGREEMENT WITH GUSTAVO RAMIREZ TO PERFORM DUTIES FOR THE CITY OF TEAGUE'S PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AS A CONSULTANT:

*Motion to remove the approval of the agreement with Gustavo Ramirez to perform duties for the City of Teague's Public Works Department as a consultant was made by Alderman Michaud, seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 5-0.*

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF MAY 14 THROUGH MAY 20, 2017 AS NATIONAL POLICE WEEK:  
*Alderman Ron Rasbeary, Mayor Pro Tempore presented and signed the Proclamation declaring the week of May 14 through May 20, 2017 as National Police Week.*
- b. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING RESOLUTION 2017-05-15 CANVASSING RETURNS AND DECLARING RESULTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF BOARD OF ALDERMAN, PLACE 2, PLACE 4 AND PLACE 5:  
*Alderman Ron Rasbeary, Mayor Pro Tempore, opened and read aloud Resolution 2017-05-15 Canvassing returns and declaring results of the General Election for the purpose of Board of Alderman Place 2, Place 4 and Place 5.  
Motion to approve Resolution 2017-05-15 Canvassing returns and declaring results of the General Election for the purpose of Board of Alderman, Place 2, Place 4 and Place 5 was made by Alderman Mims, seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 5-0.*
- c. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION TO ELECTED ALDERMEN PLACES 2, 4 AND 5; AND ADMINISTER OATHS OF OFFICE:  
*Theresa Prasil, City Secretary, issued the certificates of election and administered the Oath of Office to the newly May 6, 2017 elected officials, Ron Rasbeary Alderman Place 2, Chris Nickleberry Alderman Place 4 and Marilyn Michaud Alderman Place 5.*
- d. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REORGANIZING THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND APPOINTING A MAYOR PRO TEMPORE:  
*Alderman Michaud stated that she would like to see it go back to like it was years ago and it rotated each year so that everyone has a fair shot at being Mayor Pro Tempore. She also stated she did some research and reading up in the manuals and that's how nearly all the cities do it.  
Alderman Nickleberry replied he doesn't care he just don't want to be it.  
Alderman Michaud replied to Alderman Nickleberry's response with don't argue with me now that's not the point I think we should rotate and give everyone a fair shot.  
Alderman Nickleberry said we have the same options, we have just been voting on the same one these last years, does anyone want to do it?  
Alderman Michaud states that's not the point, Marie wants to do it. Simultaneously, Alderman Hertenberger states I think 2 years is too much. She stated she thinks that we need a 3 or 6 month limit on the amount of time an Alderman can serve as Mayor Pro Tempore.  
Alderman Michaud states she thinks it needs to be from election to election but needs to rotate to another person each year.  
Alderman Nickleberry states Ron has had it for the last 2 terms because nobody wants to do it.*  
  
*Motion to let Marilyn be Mayor Pro tempore was made by Alderman Hertenberger.*



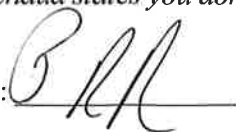
*Alderman Nickleberry asked Alderman Michaud do you want to do it?*  
*Alderman Michaud replies it doesn't matter, someone has to do it. I know you (Alderman Nickleberry) have said over and over you can't do it.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry states lets vote Mims to do it he doesn't work on Fridays no way.*  
*Alderman Mims shakes his head no.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry asked Alderman Rasbeary, Ron you don't want to do no more?*  
*Alderman Rasbeary states no I will still do it. It is whatever you all want to do.*  
*Alderman Hertenberger states it needs to rotate.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry asked is Ron not doing a good job?*  
*Alderman Hertenberger stated he is doing great.*  
*City Secretary Theresa Prasil reminds the Board of Alderman that a motion has been made.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry and Mims stated they didn't hear it.*  
*Alderman Rasbeary asked what was your (Alderman Hertenberger) motion?*  
*Alderman Hertenberger restated her motion to elect Alderman Michaud as the Mayor Pro Tempore.*

*Alderman Mims seconded the motion to elect Alderman Michaud as Mayor Pro Tempore.*

*Alderman Nickleberry asked Alderman Michaud if this is what she wanted to do.*  
*Alderman Michaud replied that's fine it is not that difficult.*

*Vote was taken. Motion carried 3-1. Alderman Rasbeary voting no and Alderman Michaud abstaining from vote.*

*Alderman Rasbeary states she is our new Mayor Pro Tempore.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry states is it 3 month, 6 months or 1 year.*  
*City Secretary Prasil states that this was not included in the motion.*  
*Alderman Hertenberger stated I know we are just now discussing that.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry states he is now confused.*  
*City Secretary Prasil reminds the council the motion was made, seconded, voted on and passed already.*  
*Alderman Rasbeary continues the discussion of the need for it to only change every year.*  
*City Secretary Prasil states that we can address the time frame at a future council meeting when it can be researched and put on the Agenda to be discussed.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry stated we had a motion before we were done discussing.*  
*Alderman Hertenberger and Rasbeary both state that they made the motion to elect her, now they want to make a motion on the time limit.*  
*City Secretary Prasil states that it is not on the Agenda and no action can be taken on it at this time.*  
*Alderman Rasbeary requested a motion be made to resolve the issue and bring it back to discuss.*  
*City Secretary Prasil suggest we do this at a future meeting when it can be added to the Agenda.*  
*Alderman Rasbeary states but the person who makes the motion can take it back and request to redo the motion.*  
*Alderman Hertenberger stated we did not make the motion about time limits we are just discussing it.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry states he did not realize a motion had been already made and done with.*  
*Alderman Michaud stated why don't we just let it be for now since it has been voted on and passed and bring it up at another time.*  
*City Secretary Prasil request to reference Robert's Rules of Order.*  
*Alderman Rasbeary states we should just leave it like it is.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry asked Alderman Michaud what is the big deal?*  
*Alderman Michaud replies with I just want to see a rotation and have a fair shot at it.*  
*Alderman Nickleberry replies everyone does have a fair shot when your voting.*  
*Alderman Michaud states you don't understand what we are going after.*



*Alderman Hertenberger ask Alderman Rasbeary how long have you done it?*

*Alderman Rasbeary replies 4 years but you all kept electing me.*

*Alderman Nickleberry states we had the opportunity to change but nobody wants to do it themselves.*

*Alderman Hertenberger states I don't have time to do it myself. I work at the Thrift Store and I have to work all summer.*

*Alderman Michaud states I don't have anything else to do I only exercise 3 days a week.*

*Alderman Rasbeary states all we have to do is make a motion to resend it back to what we just voted on.*

*City Secretary Prasil states that the problem is to reconsider how the motion was stated and adding a time limit and from quick referencing Robert's Rule of Order page 140 and 141 a motion to reconsider is an option and must be in the best interest of our organization.*

*Motion to reconsider the motion which is in the best interest of the organization and then I would like to now make the motion to nominate Alderman Michaud as Mayor Pro Tempore was made by Alderman Hertenberger seconded by Alderman Mims. Motion carried 4-0. (Alderman Michaud abstaining)*

*Alderman Rasbeary stated make your new motion and say everything you want it to say.*

*Alderman Nickleberry stated we need to discuss it.*

*Alderman Rasbeary stated its open up for discussion.*

*Alderman Michaud commented her previous statement still stands about needing to rotate people.*

*Alderman Nickleberry stated his discussion is if Ron is doing a good job then why change it. That is my discussion but I am not going to argue about it.*

*Alderman Hertenberger stated it does not have anything to do with if he is doing a good job or bad job it's just time for someone else who knows how to do the job of Mayor Pro Tempore to do it.*

*Alderman Nickleberry states you (Alderman Hertenberger), Mims and myself are the only ones who don't know how to do the job.*

*City Secretary Prasil reminds council they wanted to reconsider the motion for time limit.*

*Alderman Michaud restates it's about a time frame not someone else to be elected.*

*Alderman Rasbeary states why don't we just leave it like it is every year so it does not constitute any issues.*

*Alderman Hertenberger asked when was it set up like this?*

*Alderman Rasbeary replies it always has been set up like that. Every year after an election we elect a new Mayor Pro Tempore.*

*Alderman Hertenberger responds with I was here before you were and it has not always been like that.*

*Alderman Rasbeary states I am sorry, it's always been like that since I have been on it.*

*City Secretary replied I will need time to confirm the requirements by checking to see if there is a Resolution, Ordinance or law that outlines this requirement.*

*Alderman Hertenberger states ok 1 year.*

*Alderman Michaud states it's not whether he is doing a good job or not it's about giving everyone the opportunity to do it.*

*Alderman Nickleberry asked for clarification on if a motion to table this issue would be ok until verification of the information.*

*City Secretary Prasil states yes that is an option.*

*Motion to table Alderman Michaud as the Elected Mayor Pro Tempore was made by Alderman Mims.*

*Alderman Michaud questioned how can we reconsider who was elected when the reconsideration was referencing just the time limit?*

*Alderman Hertenberger seconded motion. Motion carried 5-0.*



- e. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING BUREAU VERITAS NORTH AMERICA, INC TO PERFORM BUILDING INSPECTIONS AS A CONTRACTOR FOR THE CITY OF TEAGUE; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TEAGUE AND BUREAU VERITAS NORTH AMERICA, INC:

*Theresa Prasil, City Administrator / Secretary, explained that the current building inspector, Shannon Wiggins, is unable to be successfully contacted by any City employee. She also explained that Bureau Veritas North America, Inc would become the City's actual building department handling all building inspections.*

*Motion to approve Bureau Veritas North America, Inc to perform building inspections as a contractor for the City of Teague; and authorizing the Mayor to sign the service agreement between the City of Teague and Bureau Veritas North America, Inc was made by Alderman Hertenberger, seconded by Alderman Rasbeary. Motion carried 5-0.*

- f. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING ORDINANCE NO. 2017-05-15 AMENDING THE CITY OF TEAGUE'S FEE SCHEDULE:

*Theresa Prasil, City Administrator / Secretary, explained that the adopted current fee schedule does not reflect the water and sewer rate changes adopted last year. She also explained a wording change was needing to replace Mobile Home with Manufactured Home permits due to adopted ordinance. She described the newest change would be to the Build Permit Const. Inspection to reflect the fees outlined in Exhibit B, BVNA's Fee Schedule.*

*Motion to approve Ordinance 2017-05-15 Amending the City of Teague's Fee Schedule was made by Alderman Nickleberry, seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 5-0.*

- g. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING AND APPROPRIATING \$13,500.00 FROM THE FUND RESERVE FOR REPAIRS TO THE LIBRARY'S WINDOWS, ENTRY WAY FLOOR, FRONT DOOR AND OUTSIDE WALL; AND AMENDING EXPENSE LINE ITEM 03-45-5715 REPAIR AND MAINT. FACILITY:

*Diane Willis, Librarian, explained the need for repairs to the Library building. She also stated she had tried to get others to bid the project but would only give her a verbal estimate of \$20,000-\$40,000. She received a bid from Chad Williams' contract company which was included in the Council packets, in the amount of \$13,500 to fix all library issues.*

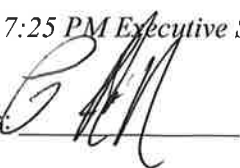
*Motion to approve and appropriate \$13,500 from the Fund Reserve for repairs to the Library's windows, entry way floor, front door and outside wall; and to amend expense line item 03-45-5715 Repair and Maint. Facility, was made by Alderman Nickleberry, seconded by Alderman Mims. Motion carried 5-0.*

*At 7:11 PM Open Session convened into Executive Session*

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: *"The City Council for the City of Teague reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of the meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney); 551.072 (Deliberation and Real Property); 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations); 551.074 (Personnel Matters); 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development)."*

- Discussion and possible action on the Property Located at 521 Main Street, Teague Texas (Old City Hall Building): **551.072 (Deliberation and Real Property)**

12. OPEN SESSION: *At 7:25 PM Executive Session Adjourned into Open Session*



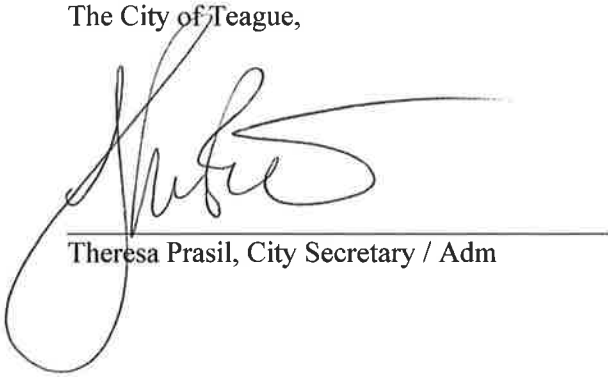
13. TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY ON TOPICS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

*Motion to board the windows of the Old City Hall with white painted boards was made by Alderman Hertenberger, seconded by Alderman Mims. Motion carried 5-0.*

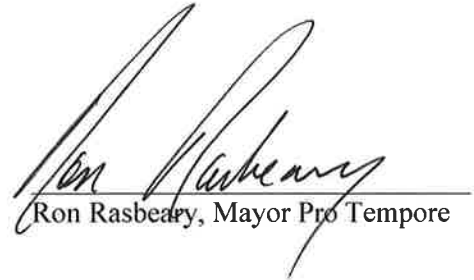
14. ADJOURNMENT: *At 7:30 PM motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Nickleberry, seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 5-0.*

*The meeting adjourned.*

The City of Teague,



Theresa Prasil, City Secretary / Adm



Ron Rasbeary, Mayor Pro Tempore

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