

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Burkburnett, Texas met in a special called meeting on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 501 Sheppard Road, Burkburnett, Texas. The meeting was open to the public with notice being given in compliance with the Open Meeting Act. The following Commissioners were present:

Carl Law	Mayor
Charlene Lewis	Mayor Pro-Tem
Bill Lindenborn	Commissioner
Ted Kwas	Commissioner
Josh Andrajack	Commissioner
Chase Thornton	Commissioner
Raymond Holland	Commissioner

Other's present: Trish Holley, Interim City Manager/City Clerk and Ron Holifield, Strategic Government Resources.

Item 1. Mayor Law called the meeting to order.

Item 2. The invocation was given by Mayor Pro-Tem Lewis.

Item 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Lindenborn.

Item 4. Mayor Law closed the meeting at 9:01 and opened the Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code; the Board of Commissioners may convene in Executive Session regarding the following matters: A. Section 551.074(a) Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee. (1) Ron Holifield-Strategic Government Resources to discuss City Manager candidates.

Item 5. Mayor Law reconvened to regular session at 11:00 am.

Motion was made by Commissioner Lindenborn, seconded by Commissioner Holland to authorize the Mayor to enter into negotiations with Tim James as our sole remaining finalist to become the next City Manager of Burkburnett. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. Commissioner's comments.

Mayor Pro-Tem Lewis thanked Mr. Holifield and stated this had been an exciting process and looking forward to a new beginning; we've all worked well together through this process.

Commissioner Holland stated as always I hope you all are having as much fun as I'm having; it has been a learning experience. Mr. Holifield, we send our condolences to your family, you've done a remarkable job and we appreciate it; I've enjoyed working with everyone even though we don't always agree, we can still work together.

Commissioner Thornton thanked Mr. Holifield, and stated he did a fabulous job bringing candidates and for kept the board on track, everyone worked well together for the betterment of the city, it has been an interesting process that I hope we don't have to go through for a long time and I thank the Commissioners for their hard work.

Commissioner Andrajack stated months ago he drew on a big sheet of paper a target with a bulls-eye in the center and said if we tried to go through this process alone we would have a small field of candidates but if we engaged Strategic Government Resource or a like firm, the field would be expanded significantly. Thank you Mr. Holifield and kudos to you and your firm for the work you've done; I think we have found the right candidate and I hope he becomes the next City Manager for Burkburnett.

Commissioner Kwas also voiced his condolences to Mr. Holifield and stated he has done a terrific job in leading us in the right direction, I think we made a good choice, we take this seriously, all of us have a commitment to the city and the people and I appreciate everyone working together.

Commissioner Lindenborn stated he will echo the same comments already made and that Mr. Holifield has a done a great job making our job easier, this has been difficult with some of the things that have recently happened, thank you Mayor and Trish for stepping up and handling the situation; it's been a pleasure working with the board and I think we have made the best decision and choice for the City of Burkburnett.

Mayor Law stated he will have a formal statement for the press after the meeting and I want to thank the Commissioners for the hard work they have done.

Item 7. Motion was made by Commissioner Holland, seconded by Commissioner Thornton to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Carl Law, Mayor

ATTEST:

Trish Holley, City Clerk