



CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FL
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED SESSION
Held in City Hall Chambers 1600 Nela Avenue

Tuesday, August 29, 2023 * 6:30 pm
MINUTES

Present was:

Nicholas Fouraker, Mayor
District 1 Commissioner – Ed Gold
District 2 Commissioner – Anthony Carugno
District 3 Commissioner – Karl Shuck
District 4 Commissioner – Randy Holihan
District 5 Commissioner – Beth Lowell
District 7 Commissioner – Jim Partin

Absent was:

District 6 Commissioner – Stan Smith

1. Call to Order and Confirmation of Quorum

Mayor Fouraker called the meeting to order at 6:29 pm, and the Clerk confirmed the quorum.

Also present were Interim City Manager Grimm, Attorney Langley, Acting Chief Millis, Public Works Director Phil Price, Clerk Heidi Peacock, and Colin Baenziger-via Zoom.

2. Citizen's Comments

Mayor Fouraker called for citizen comments.

There being none, he closed citizen comments and opened for Council discussion.

3. New Business

a. Discussion and Selection of Top 5 City Manager Finalists: Poll Summary Spreadsheet

Colin Baenziger spoke on the process for selection of the top 5- candidates. If the Council chooses to interview the two prior candidates (Rooney and Rudometkin), they should be included in the tally; however, it is unnecessary. He recommended that the Council mark their sheets and submit their tally to the Clerk to announce the votes.

Mayor Fouraker called for a Motion to approve the same policy used at the First Round of Candidates providing reasonable travel expenses.

Comm Lowell moved to approve the motion.

Comm Holihan seconded the motion, which passed 5:1 with Comm Carugno, nay.

Council Member	Fouraker	Carugno	Gold	Holihan	Lowell	Shuck	Smith	Partin	Total
Candidate									
Andrew Clark	X		X		X			X	4
David Johnson				X					1
David Williams		X			X	X	X		4
Don King	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	7
James Gleason		X		X					2
Mark Rooney	X	X	X			X			4
Matthew Coppler	X			X	X	X	X	X	6
Paul Carlisle	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	7
Rick Rudometkin			X	X	X	X	X	X	6

Mr. Baenziger stated there is a good chance that someone may drop off, and it may be advisable to interview all seven candidates or select alternates. After the Council discussion on the selection process, the consensus was to interview all seven candidates.

Approval of the Candidate Meet and Greet - September 8 and Individual Interviews September 9

Council discussed approval of reception, interview, and special called session.

Comm Holihan moved to approve the schedule as follows,

- **Friday, Sept 8th – Meet & Greet Reception**
- **Saturday, September 9th – Individual Candidate Interviews**
- **Wednesday, September 13th – A Special Called Session - Final City Manager Selection**

Comm Lowell seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 6:0.

Other Business

CM Grimm presented the following Emergency Ordinance for consideration in preparation for Hurricane Idalia.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 23-06 - AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA, DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE CITY OF BELLE ISLE WITH THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY BY THE GOVERNOR; ADOPTING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS TO ADDRESS PREPARATION FOR AND THE AFTERMATH OF HURRICANE IDALIA; PROVIDING FOR NON-CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND SEVEN DAYS EXPIRATION UNLESS TERMINATED EARLIER OR EXTENDED FURTHER.

CM Grimm read Emergency Ordinance 23-06 by Title.

Comm Holihan moved to adopt Emergency Ordinance 23-06.

Comm Lowell seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 6:0.

CM opened a discussion for an extension of the Hurricane Clean-up contract with Pete Madison. The Council consensus was to review the original agreement and subsequent renewals at the following Council meeting.

4. Adjournment

With no further business, Mayor Fouraker called for a motion to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously at 7:10 pm.