

**MINUTES  
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
MEETING OF JULY 16, 2015**

The Civil Service Commission of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, convened on July 16, 2015, at the New Braunfels Municipal Building in Council Chambers.

**Commissioners present were:** Chairperson Jan Morton, Vice-Chairperson Pat Clifton and Commissioner Fritz Welsch, Jr.

**City Staff present were:** Gary Wuest, Human Resources/Civil Service Director; Tom Bushur, Human Resources/Civil Service Manager; Lori Stidham, Human Resources/Civil Service Associate; Becca Pence, Human Resources Specialist; Val Acevedo, City Attorney; Tom Wibert, Police Chief; Joe Vargas, Assistant Police Chief; Kenneth Jacks, Fire Chief; Rick Edwards, Battalion Chief; Garrick Herbert, Fire Captain; Robert Garcia, Fire Engineer; James Sellers, Fire Engineer; Reyes Villarreal, Firefighter; Jason Grohman, Firefighter; William Burnette, Firefighter; Michael Carrasco, Firefighter; Jon Barnhill, Firefighter; John McDonald, Police Captain; Craig Christopherson, Police Lieutenant; Randy Bryan, Police Officer; and Paul Marler, 911 Center Supervisor.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Morton at 3:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers in the City of New Braunfels Municipal Building.

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETINGS ON JUNE 29, 2015.**

Vice-Chairperson Clifton made a motion to approve; Chairperson Morton seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

**2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL ON NOTICE OF APPEAL BY THREE FIREFIGHTERS OF QUESTIONS NUMBER 70 AND 88 FROM THE FIRE ENGINEER EXAMINATION CONDUCTED ON JUNE 23, 2015 FOR THE NEW BRAUNFELS FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

Question # 70: Civil Service Director Gary Wuest introduced Firefighter William Burnette who is appealing question number 70, and presented and discussed the item. Mr. Burnette presented his appeal by explaining that according to the test instructions, there is only one correct answer. When he looked at the choices of answers he observed more than one correct answer and was confused by this and marked his answer as B. 14 days, which was not the correct answer.

Chairperson Morton asked if anyone else would like to speak regarding this question. Firefighter Jason Grohman presented

**3. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF THE ELIGIBILITY LIST FOR POLICE LIEUTENANT FROM THE PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION CONDUCTED ON JULY 2, 2015.**

Civil Service Director Gary Wuest presented and discussed the item.

Vice-Chairperson Clifton made a motion to approve; Commissioner Welsch seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

**4. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**DELIBRATE PENDING/CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION, SETTLEMENT OFFER(S), AND MATTERS CONCERNING PRIVILEGED AND UNPRIVILEGED CLIENT INFORMATION DEEMED CONFIDENTIAL BY RULE 1.05 OF THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 551.071, OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, RELATING TO JOSEPH TOVAR V. CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS, IT. AL, C2014-0928-A, 22<sup>ND</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT, COMAL COUNTY, TEXAS.**

**5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Civil Service Director Gary Wuest and Civil Service Lori Stidham presented a list of dates for possible future meetings.


**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

Date Approved: July 29, 2015

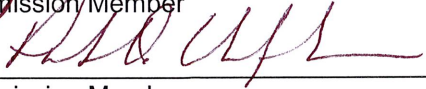
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GARY WUEST, Recording Secretary

  
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