

**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
September 20, 2019  
3000 Bellemead Drive, Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118**

**CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR**

The interview session began at 1:00 pm.

**ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Interviews for Special Magistrate and City Board Members.

Before the three responding firms were interviewed, Vice Mayor Bryan asked the other councilmembers to review the fee schedule from the City of Holly Hill. They use a flat fee structure instead of an hourly rate.

Jacob Schumer from the firm Shepard, Smith, Kohlmeyer & Hand explained that his firm spent 60-70% of their work with local government law. He had been with the firm for two years. He was very familiar with code enforcement and Chapter 162. He had not been a special magistrate before, but had attended Baker Act hearings. He didn't believe travel to the hearings would be a problem. When asked about a flat fee versus an hourly rate, he would prefer the hourly rate. He thought a flat fee could be a disservice to the city. The council discussed his lack of experience in municipal government and code enforcement.

Steve deLaroche provided his background for the councilmembers. He felt his years as a judge, skilled in rules of evidence, would be beneficial. He had worked extensively with the City of Holly Hill and the County of Volusia regarding a zoning land use change. He explained that he had reviewed our ordinances and was very familiar with our area. He used to live in Oceans 6 Condominium. Mr. deLaroche stated that he could negotiate with either a flat rate or an hourly rate. He related the reason as to why he was no longer a judge. He had used a lack of judgement regarding a family problem. The council felt he was very well prepared and very experienced.

Lori Sandman provided her background stating that she had been a planning commissioner for a small town. She had also worked as an ADR practitioner/mediator and a farm consultant in the past. When asked if she was familiar with Chapter 162 of the Florida Statutes, she admitted that she was not. She mostly worked with mediation for family matters and trusts.

The council felt that Steve deLaroche was the candidate most qualified for the Special Magistrate position due to his background and experience.

Board member interviews -

Tony Rembiszewski interviewed for Planning & Zoning member. He explained that he had been on the Board Of Adjustments for five years and also had past experience on boards in New Jersey. He loves living in the Shores and is eager to learn about this board.

Van Alder also interviewed for the Planning & Zoning Board. He was recently on the Code Enforcement Board. He explained that he loved working with the board members and even though he did not have experience with the Planning & Zoning Board, he had a career as a Systems Engineer and knows how to read plans.

The council discussed moving one of the current alternate members, Rick deLange, to regular member. He has been serving as an alternate for the past few months and has attended every meeting. It was also discussed that with Mr. Alder's background, he would

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting ended at 3:10 om.

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**MAYOR  
NANCY MILLER**

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**CITY MANAGER  
MICHAEL T. BOOKER**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK, CHERI SCHWAB**