

**MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING
THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP
FEBRUARY 25, 2009**

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTIES OF HARRIS & MONTGOMERY §

The Board of Directors of The Woodlands Township, met in special session, open to the public, on February 25, 2009, posted to begin at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Meeting Room at The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel and Convention Center, 1601 Lake Robbins Drive, The Woodlands, Texas, within the boundaries of the Township. The roll was called of the duly elected and appointed members of the Board of Directors, to wit:

Nelda Luce Blair

Chairman

Lloyd W. Matthews	Vice-Chairman
Bruce Tough	Second Vice-Chairman
Vicki D. Richmond	Treasurer/Assistant Secretary
Alex Sutton III	Secretary
Thomas Campbell	Director
Kemba DeGroot	Director
Peggy S. Hausman	Director
Claude Hunter	Director
Edmund W. Robb III	Director
Robert C. Kinnear	Director

with all of said persons being present, except Second Vice-Chairman Bruce Tough, thus constituting a quorum. Also present for conducting business and assisting Board members were Don Norrell, Nick Wolda, Steve Sumner, Anjanette Sauers, Marcy Hicks, Joel Deretchin, Jeff Long, Chief Benson, John Powers, Monique Sharp, Miles McKinney, Susan Welbes, Mary Connell, Karen Dempsey, Kim Cogburn, Taunya Stevenson, Renee Williford, and Kristin Freeman.

Chairman Blair called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. She announced that a quorum was present and that sufficient notice of this

meeting had been duly posted as required by law. Chairman Blair then requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Director Hunter moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Secretary Sutton and passed unanimously.

Next, Chairman Blair recognized the following public officials attending the meeting: George Van Horn, The Woodlands Community Associations Director and Bruce Cunningham, President of Grogan's Mill Village Association. The Public Official's Sign in Sheet is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Chairman Blair then called on Don Norrell, President for The Woodlands Township, to make opening remarks and introductions. Mr. Norrell provided background information about Partners for Strategic Action, Inc. (PSA), a multi-disciplinary community planning firm. Curt Dunham, Co-Founder and CEO of PSA and Audra Koester Thomas, a Senior

Associate with PSA were then introduced. Mr. Dunham and Ms. Thomas served as facilitators of the Visioning Process workshop.

Next, the Board and staff entered into discussion of matters relating to the Strategic Plan of The Woodlands Township. Mr. Dunham began the session by asking Board and staff to participate in a “Get to Know Your Neighbor” exercise. Following this exercise, Mr. Dunham gave a PowerPoint presentation that provided an overview of the Planning Process. Additionally, the following key issues were identified and addressed:

- Determining the Priority Functions and Structure of the Township
- Maintaining Quality Services
- Consensus Vision
- Addressing Major Transitions
- Public Education and Engagement
- Leadership Cohesiveness
- Legislation
- Transition to Seven Member Board

- Reaching Consensus on the Budget and Long Term Financial Needs

Director Robb left the meeting at 7:03 p.m. and Directors Kinnear and Sutton left the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Following Mr. Dunham and Ms. Thomas' presentation, each panel member was given a brief evaluation form to complete. Mr. Dunham then gave an overview of what would take place at the next session on the following morning. Next, Chairman Blair thanked the facilitators and panel members for their input. A copy of Mr. Dunham's PowerPoint presentation is attached hereto as Exhibit "B". A copy of the Planning Process Issue Paper is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

Chairman Blair then called on names from the Public Comment Roster. Marti Meerscheidt, Cochran's Crossing Village Association, addressed the panel in regard to the Vision/Planning process. The Public Comment Roster is attached hereto as Exhibit "D".

The Chairman then asked for a motion to adjourn. Treasurer Richmond moved to adjourn the meeting. Director Hunter seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

(SEAL)
Directors

Alex Sutton III
Secretary, Board of

EXHIBIT OMISSIONS*

EXHIBIT "A"

EXHIBIT "B"

EXHIBIT "C"

EXHIBIT "D"

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