

**CITY OF GILBERT
MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 8TH, 2012
COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bellerud at 5:30 PM

Present: Mayor Bellerud, Councilors Garrity, Gentile, Nemanick and Shutte

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Clerk Darrow, City Attorney Brunfelt

Mayor Bellerud opened the meeting and asked the council to rise for the pledge of allegiance. Mayor Bellerud stated that the purpose of this meeting was to accept the resignation of City Clerk Mike Darrow as well as to begin the process of finding a replacement for the Mr. Darrow. Discussion on this issue occurred and members of the audience were invited to speak. City Attorney Brunfelt mentioned during the discussion that the focus on this meeting should be on the transition and not on reasons why the clerk is leaving.

City Attorney Brunfelt and Mr. Darrow presented to the City Council a plan to begin the hiring process. City Council member Shutte indicated that she would recommend not using the hiring firm of the past to due to the hiring, but rather would prefer to post an add for an interim city clerk. Mr. Darrow mentioned that Fort & Company would be available for 4-6 hours per week to assist during the transition.

After additional discussion, a motion was made by Council member Garrity and seconded by Shutte to accept the resignation of the City Clerk Mike Darrow. Motion was passed by a 3-2 vote with Mayor Don Bellerud and Council members Garrity and Shutte voting in favor and Council members Gentile and Nemanick voting against.

The council also directed the City Clerk to post the Interim City Clerk ad in the newspapers, on-line as well on the City's webpage.

Motion by Garrity and second by Shutte to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 pm. All approved.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk