

Ethics Commission Meeting Minutes Louis L. Redding City/County Building 800 N. French Street 5th Floor Atrium Conference Room Wilmington, DE 19801

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Johnston, Chair, at 4:07 p.m. The following people attended:

Commission Members – Denison Hatch, Jr., Frank Hawkins (Vice Chair), William D. Johnston (Chair), Katherine M. Klocko, and Charles Toliver, IV. A quorum was established.

Members Faith Meisinger-Petit, and Melvin Philips, were not in attendance.

City Solicitor's Office - William Larson and Javette Lane.

Members of the public - None.

Mr. Johnston moved to go into executive session to review and approve the November 13, 2018 and December 12, 2018 Executive Session minutes pursuant to 29 <u>Del. C.</u> § 10004(b)(6) and 29 <u>Del. C.</u> § 10002(I)(10) at 4:08 p.m. Ms. Klocko seconded. Motion passed unanimously. At 4:09 p.m. Mr. Johnston moved to return the meeting back to regular session. Mr. Hawkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the December 19, 2018 Commission meeting were reviewed. It was properly moved by Ms. Klocko and seconded by Mr. Hawkins to accept the minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Communications - None

Report of Committees – Mr. Larson informed the Commission that he will be working with the Department of Integrated Technology to create a fillable format for the new disclosure form. The letter that will accompany the form will be ready by the next Commission meeting.

Ms. Klocko moved to adopt the new form. Mr. Hawkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished business – Mr. Johnston and Mr. Larson are working to confirm a date for the upcoming hearing in the pending Complaint. The Commission discussed March 21, 2019 as a possible date. Mr. Larson will confirm availability of the Commission members not present at this meeting.

Miscellaneous business – Mr. Johnston informed the Commission that Mr. Larson would soon be leaving the City to return to private practice. Mr. Johnston presented Mr. Larson with a Resolution commending him on a job well-done representing the Commission and moved for the Resolution's adoption. Mr. Hawkins seconded. The Resolution was unanimously adopted (copy attached).

The next meeting of the Ethics Commission will be Tuesday, February 12, 2019, 4 p.m., Louis L. Redding City/County Building, 5th Floor Atrium Conference Room. It was properly moved by Mr. Hatch and seconded by Ms. Klocko to adjourn the meeting at 4:52 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Javette Lane

RESOLUTION

This 8th day of January, 2019,

WHEREAS, William B. Larson, Jr., Esquire, City of Wilmington Senior Assistant City Solicitor, has served with great distinction as counsel to the Wilmington Ethics Commission (the "Commission"); and

WHEREAS, the members of the Commission wish to express their gratitude for that service, which has assisted the Commission in the performance of its duties under the City Employees' and Elected and Appointed Officials' Code of Conduct (the "Code of Conduct") and has promoted public trust and confidence in the Code of Conduct;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Commission unanimously and enthusiastically thank William B. Larson, Jr., Esquire, also known as "Young Bill," for his sage counsel and wish him all the best.

William D. Johnston, Chair

Frank Hawkins, Vice Chair

Denison H. Hatch, Jr.

Katherine M. Klocko

Faith Meisinger-Petit

Melvin Phillips

Hon. Charles H. Toliver, IV (Ret.)