

LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

Local Government Ethics Law

August 8, 2018 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 am by Timothy J. Cunningham, Chairman. Emma Salay, Deputy Executive Secretary stated that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, C.10:4-6 et seq., proper notice was given to the Secretary of State, the *Star-Ledger* and the *Times of Trenton*. A roll call vote was taken; 6 members were present: Alan Avery, Francis Blee, Timothy J. Cunningham, Ted Light, Dominick DiRocco and Adrian Mapp. William Close and Idida Rodriguez were absent. William Close arrived at 9:22 am. A quorum was present. Also present were Patricia Parkin McNamara, Executive Secretary, Melanie R. Walter, Acting Director (Appointed), Cameryn Hinton, Deputy Attorney General and staff members: Nick Bennett, Dana C. Jones, Dina Venero and Tina Vignali.

MINUTES

The July 11, 2018 minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. Light to approve the minutes. A roll call was taken: 5 affirmative, 1 abstain (Mr. Avery), 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.1. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. Avery to investigate the complaint. A roll call was taken: 5 affirmative, 3 absent (Mr. Close, Mr. Cunningham and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.2. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and second by Mr. Blee to investigate the complaint. A roll call was taken: 5 affirmative, 3 absent (Mr. Close, Mr. Cunningham and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.3. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Mr. Light to investigate the complaint. A roll call was taken: 5 affirmative, 1 abstain (Mr. DiRocco), 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matters of III.A.4. A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham and second by Mr. Blee to investigate the complaint. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.5. A motion was made by Mr. Light and second by Mr. Blee to investigate the complaint. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.6. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. Light to dismiss the complaint against the accused as having no reasonable factual basis. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Mr. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.7. A motion was made by Mr. Light and second by Mr. Blee to find a violation and to assess a fine of \$100.00 against each accused. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.8. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. Blee to find a violation and to assess a \$100.00 fine against the accused. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.9. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Mr. Avery to find a violation and assess a \$500.00 fine against each accused. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.10. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Mr. Avery to find a violation and to assess a \$100.00 fine against the accused. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.11. The matter was deferred.

Concerning the matter of III.A.12. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and second by Mr. Blee to transmit the matter to the Office of Administrative Law as a contested case. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.13. A motion was made by Mr. Light and second by Mr. Avery to find a violation and to waive the fine against each accused. A roll call was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

At 9:23 am, a motion was made by Mr. Cunningham and second by Mr. Blee to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing complaints, advisory opinions and to receive legal advice. A roll call was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

AO 18-008 and AO 18-009 were discussed.

At 10:35 am, a motion was made by Mr. Cunningham and second by Mr. Close to go into open session. A roll call vote was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

The Local Finance Board determined to break from the Ethics portion of the meeting and take a brief recess. A brief recess was taken. The Local Finance Board will reconvene to consider applications.

The Local Finance Board reconvened to consider applications.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Parkin McNamara

Executive Secretary