

LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

Local Government Ethics Law

April 11, 2018 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:18 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 was absent. Idida Rodriguez arrived at 9:29 am. A quorum was present. Also present were Patricia Parkin McNamara, Executive Secretary, Melanie Walter, Deputy Attorney General and staff members: Nick Bennett, Dana C. Jones, Paul Urbish, Dina Venero and Tina Vignali.

MINUTES

The March 14, 2018 minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Mr. Avery to approve the minutes. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.1. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and second by Mr. Mapp 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.2. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp 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.3. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp 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.4. A motion was made by Mr. Light and second by Mr. Mapp 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. Avery and second by Mr. Light 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. Avery and second by Mr. Light to dismiss the complaint for having no factual basis. A roll call was taken: 6 affirmative, 2 absent (Mr. Close and Ms. Rodriguez). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.7. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and second by Mr. Light to dismiss the complaint. 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. Avery and second by Mr. Blee to find a violation against (A), (B), (C) and (D) and to assess a fine in the amount of \$250.00 against each of the accused. A roll call was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Mr. Close). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.10. A motion was made by Mr. Mapp and second by Mr. DiRocco to address the assessment of a penalty pursuant to the appellate division decision. A roll call was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Mr. Close). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.11, the Board was apprised of the status of the 2018 Financial Disclosure Statement filing process and updates for the filing year.

At 9:39 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. Motion passed.

At 10:22 am, a motion was made by Mr. Cunningham and second by Mr. Blee to go into open session. A roll call vote was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Mr. Close). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.8. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Mr. DiRocco to find a violation. A roll call was taken: 3 affirmative, 3 negative 1 abstain (Mr. Mapp), 1 absent (Mr. Close). Motion failed. A motion was made by Mr. DiRocco and second by Mr. Avery to not find a violation. A roll call was taken: 3 affirmative, 3 negative, 1 abstain (Mr. Mapp), 1 absent (Mr. Close). Motion failed.

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