

LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

Local Government Ethics Law

December 12, 2018 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 am by Melanie R. Walter, Chairwoman. Nick Bennett, staff member, 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: 7 members were present: Chairwoman Walter, Alan Avery, Francis Blee, Dominick DiRocco, Ted Light, Adrian Mapp and Idida Rodriguez. William Close was absent. William Close arrived at 9:12 am. A quorum was present. Also present were Patricia Parkin McNamara, Executive Secretary and staff members: Dana C. Jones and Dina Venero. Susan M. Scott, Deputy Attorney General arrived at 9:22 am.

MINUTES

The November 9, 2018 minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and second by Mr. Blee to approve the minutes. A roll call vote was taken: 7 affirmative, 1 absent (Mr. Close). Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.1. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Mr. Mapp to investigate the complaint against the accused. A roll call was taken: 8 affirmative. Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.2. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Mr. Mapp to investigate the complaint against the accused. A roll call was taken: 8 affirmative. Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.3. A motion was made by Mr. DiRocco and second by Ms. Rodriguez to investigate the complaint against the accused. A roll call was taken: 8 affirmative. Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.4. A motion was made by Mr. Blee and second by Ms. Rodriguez to find a violation and to assess a fine of \$100.00 for each of 3 violations for a \$300.00 total fine against the accused. A roll call was taken: 8 affirmative. Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.5. A motion was made by Mr. Avery and second by Mr. Mapp to dismiss the complaint against the accused. A roll call was taken: 8 affirmative. Motion passed.

Concerning the matter of III.A.6. A motion was made by Ms. Walter and second by Ms. Rodriguez to transmit the matter to the Office of Administrative Law as a contested case. A roll call vote was taken: 8 affirmative. Motion passed.

At 9:22 am, a motion was made by Mr. DiRocco and second by Mr. Mapp to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing complaints, advisory opinions and to receive legal advice. A voice vote was taken. Motion passed.

AO 18-005 was discussed. Ms. Walter was absent for a portion of the closed session.

At 9:58 am, a motion was made by Mr. Close and second Mr. Blee to go into open session. A voice vote was taken. 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