



MINUTES OF AN OFFICIAL MEETING:

Regular / Special Meeting: Ethics Board

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.
Location: City Hall, Parks and Recreation Meeting Room, 2000 North Calhoun Road
Members Present: Karen Flaherty, Monica Riederer, and Christopher Steffe.
Members Excused: None.
Others Present: Board Legal Counsel Nicholas Cerwin, Alderman Jenna Meza, Attorney Julie Gay, Alderman Michael Hallquist, Alderman Scott Berg, Alderman Bill Carnell, and Human Resources Director James Zwerlein.

1. Roll Call

After noting a quorum was present, Chairperson Riederer called the Board to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Minutes of the October 21, 2021 Meeting

Ms. Flaherty moved to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2021 meeting. Seconded by Chairperson Riederer. Motion carried 2-0.

3. New Business

Mr. Steffe entered the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

- a.) Review Investigative report of Ethics Complaint dated August 6, 2021 and determine the action to be taken in regard to the Complaint pursuant to Section 2.20.080E of the Code.

The Board initiated its review of the investigative report and associated documents.

Alderman Carnell entered the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

After extensive discussion, the Board determined there are dispositive issues that need to be addressed prior to determining whether or not to schedule a hearing on the merits.

Alderman Meza entered the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Alderman Hallquist entered the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Alderman Berg entered the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

b.) Schedule upcoming meeting (if necessary).

Ms. Flaherty moved the following briefing schedule: The Respondent's brief on dispositive issues is due in the Human Resources Department at 5:00 p.m. on February 18, 2022. The Claimant's response brief is due in the Human Resources Department at 5:00 p.m. on March 11, 2022. The Respondent's rebuttal brief is due in the Human Resources Department at 5:00 p.m. on March 18, 2022. The next meeting of the Ethics Board will be on March 29, 2022 to evaluate the dispositive issues, to further review the Investigative Report; and to determine if and when a hearing on the merits should be scheduled. Seconded by Mr. Steffe. Motion carried 3-0.

4. Adjournment

Ms. Flaherty moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Steffe. Motion carried 3-0. 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
James Zwerlein
Human Resources Department/Human Resources Director