

Minutes of Jefferson Parish Ethics and Compliance Commission
Wednesday, June 19, 2019
Joseph S. Yenni Building
Room 208
1221 Elmwood Park Boulevard
Jefferson, LA 70123

Commission Members Present:

Warren R. Bourgeois, III
Dolores Hall
Sandra Joseph
Carroll W. Suggs

Commission Members Absent:

Howard Maestri

Call Commission Meeting to order

Meeting called to order by Chairman Suggs at 5:05 P.M. Roll call. Quorum is constituted.

Review and Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Commissioner Hall to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2019 meeting.

MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Joseph. The motion was voted upon and **PASSED** without opposition or abstention.

Public Hearing

None

Report of Inspector General

1. Planning Advisory Board

Paul Lumpkin presents the investigative report on the Planning Advisory Board which was made public on May 15, 2019. Jerry Sullivan and the Commissioners question Mr. Lumpkin and IG McClintock on the details of the report.

2. Reports

The Inspector General reports GNO, Inc Audit report was issued to the Commissioners today and will be presented at the next ECC meeting on July 17, 2019. The IG reports the Millage Advisory Report was issued by the Parish and no recommendations were made pertaining to the JPOIG or the ECC. Two investigative reports will be issued next week. IG McClintock reports that the Quality Assurance Review has been concluded, and he states the JPOIG will address the recommendations and findings.

3. Bus Bench Advertising

The Inspector General reports that the litigation is ongoing with Go Graphics and Councilman Mark Spears. 1st Assistant IG Kim Chatelain reports on all pending litigation.

4. Meetings

Inspector General McClintock reports that he met with a delegation from Cameroon regarding national anti-corruption policies.

5. BP

Paul Lumpkin reports there has been over \$964,000 in interest accrued on the BP funds. April 2019 expenses totaled \$102,097. Total expensed for all BP funds through May 2019 is \$28,402,051.33.

New Business

Jerry Sullivan presents draft letter addressed to the Personnel Board for approval by the Commissioners. He also recommends the ECC issue an advisory opinion with regard to the vetting process for Parish board members.

Advisory Opinion

MOTION by Commissioner Hall to issue an Advisory Opinion to the Parish President and Council regarding a vetting process for Parish board members. **MOTION SECONDED** by Commissioner Joseph. The motion was voted upon and **PASSED** unanimously, without opposition or abstention.

Executive Session

MOTION by Commissioner Hall to enter into Executive Session for discussion of confidential ethics investigation(s). **MOTION SECONDED** by Commissioner Joseph. The motion was voted upon and **PASSED** unanimously, without opposition or abstention.

MOTION by Commissioner Bourgeois to return to open meeting. **MOTION SECONDED** by Commissioner Joseph. The motion was voted upon and **PASSED** unanimously, without opposition or abstention.

Ethics Commission Investigation(s)

MOTION by Commissioner Bourgeois to terminate a confidential investigation of ethics matter which was discussed in Executive session and to issue a report and final statement that no further evidence has been submitted by the individual. **MOTION SECONDED** by Commissioner Hall. The motion was voted upon and **PASSED** unanimously, without opposition or abstention.

MOTION by Commissioner Bourgeois to authorize and direct IG McClintock to engage in an ethics investigation on behalf of the ECC regarding the PAB, the individual who may have committed fraud before during and/or after his appointment to the PAB. **MOTION**

SECONDED by Commissioner Joseph. The motion was voted upon and **PASSED** unanimously, without opposition or abstention.

Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting is July 17, 2019 at Yenni Building Council Chambers.

Adjournment

MOTION by Commissioner Hall to adjourn. **MOTION SECONDED** by Commissioner Joseph. The motion was voted upon and **PASSED** without opposition or abstention.

MEETING ADJOURNED