

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
HELD NOVEMBER 8, 2019

Call to Order.

Upon notice, with the agenda being properly posted at the Commission office at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the commencement of the meeting and notice being filed at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance with the Office of the Secretary of State, a regular meeting of the Ethics Commission of the State of Oklahoma ["Commission"] was called to order on Friday, November 8, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Chair Charlie Laster ["Laster"] opened the meeting, which was held in Room 511A of the State Capitol Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Determination of Quorum.

Roll was called to determine the existence of a quorum for the transaction of business. Commissioners answering present were: Holly Johnson ["Johnson"], Cathy Stocker ["Stocker"], Gregg Engle ["Engle"], and Jarred Brejcha ["Brejcha"]. A quorum of members was declared.

Staff & Visitors.

Commission staff members present at all or part of the meeting were Ashley Kemp ["Kemp"], Stephanie McCord ["McCord"], and Ariel Koerner ["Koerner"].

Observing all or part of the meeting: Jim Dunlap, Lobbyist; Christina Hanley, LegisOK; Denise Lawson, Attorney; Curtis Maloy, Professional Firefighters of OK; Arnella Karges, Senate; Nolan Clay, The Oklahoman; Barbara Hoberock, Tulsa World, AJ Ferati, Citizen; Amy Anderson, ALEC.

Open Meeting Act Compliance.

In compliance with Open Meeting Act.

Introductions and Announcements.

None.

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on minutes for the regular meeting, public hearing, and executive session held October 11, 2019.

Commissioner Stocker moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting, public hearing, and executive session held October 11, 2019.

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Stocker - yes, Johnson - yes, Laster - yes, Engle - yes, Brejcha - yes.

Motion carried.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on Commission process for late reports and failure to file reports for FY 2020.

Chair Laster invited discussion from Commissioners. No comments. Chair Laster deferred action on this item at this time.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on meeting dates and times for the Ethics Commission during calendar year 2020.

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt the dates and times provided as the dates for the Commission meetings during calendar year 2020.

January 10, 2020 at 10:00 am, February 14, 2020 at 10:00 am, March 13, 2020 at 10:00 am, April 10, 2020 at 10:00 am, May 8, 2020 at 10:00 am, June 12, 2020 at 10:00 am, July 10, 2020 at 10:00 am, August 14, 2020 at 10:00 am, September 11, 2020 at 10:00 am, October 9, 2020 at 10:00 am, November 13, 2020 at 10:00 am, and December 11, 2020 at 10:00 am.

Commissioner Engle seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Johnson - yes, Engle - yes, Laster - yes, Stocker - yes, Brejcha - yes.

Motion carried.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on Commission's FY 21 budget request.

Discussion by Commissioner Brejcha and Engle.

Commissioner Brejcha moved to create a committee of two Commissioners of the Chair's choosing to work with the Executive Director to review the preliminary FY 2021 budget request and bring recommendations to the full Commission at its December meeting for review and action on a final FY 2021 budget request.

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Brejcha - yes, Johnson - yes, Laster - yes, Stocker - yes, Engle - yes.

Motion carried.

Chair Laster appointed Vice-Chair Johnson and Commissioner Engle to the subcommittee.

Executive Director's Report.

Report was provided by Executive Director Kemp on agency expenditures for the month of October 2019, advisory opinion request 2019-02 status, COGEL conference 2019, continuing education programs, and compliance.

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on Closed/Executive session.

Commissioner Stocker moved that pursuant to counsel's advice as set forth in the agenda, the Commission go into executive session in the Ethics Commission office, room G-27 of the State Capitol.

Commissioner Brejcha seconded.

Discussion or comments by commissioners. None.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Stocker - yes, Brejcha - yes, Laster - yes, Johnson - yes, Engle - yes.

Motion was carried to go into Executive/Closed session at 10:14 a.m.

Possible action to return to Open Session.

Commissioner Stocker moved to reconvene in Open Session at 11:13 a.m.

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. None.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Stocker - yes, Johnson - yes, Laster - yes, Engle - yes, Brejcha - yes.

Motion carried.

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on items considered in executive session.

Commissioner Stocker moved to appoint Stephanie McCord as General Counsel effective November 8, 2019.

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Stocker - yes, Johnson - yes, Laster - yes, Engle - yes, Brejcha - yes.

Motion carried.

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New Business.

None.

Adjournment.


Commissioner Johnson moved to adjourn.

Commissioner Brejcha seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Johnson - yes, Brejcha - yes, Laster - yes, Stocker - yes, Engle - yes.

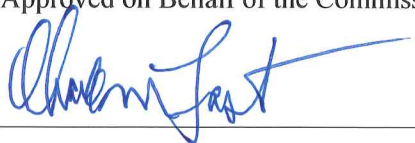
Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 11:15 a.m.



ASHLEY KEMP, Executive Director

Approved on Behalf of the Commission:



CHARLIE LASTER, Chair