# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION STATE OF OKLAHOMA HELD MAY 10, 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, May 10, 2019, at 10:01 a.m. Chair Karen Long ["Long"] opened the meeting, which was held in Room 432A, 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: Chair Karen Long, Vice-Chair Charles Laster ["Laster"], John Hawkins ["Hawkins"], Holly Johnson ["Johnson"] and Cathy Stocker ["Stocker"]. A quorum of members was declared.

Staff & Visitors.

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

Observing all or part of the meeting: Denise Lawson, Attorney; David White, Lobbyist; Caroline Dennis, Senate; Arnella Karges, Senate; Nolan Clay, The Oklahoman.

Open Meeting Act Compliance.

In compliance with Open Meetings Act.

Introductions and Announcements.

None.

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on minutes for the regular meeting, public hearing, and executive session held March 8, 2019.

Commissioner Stocker moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting, public hearing, and executive session held March 8, 2019.

Commissioner Hawkins seconded.

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

Motion carried.

Minutes of Regular Meeting held May 10, 2019

Consideration, discussion and possible action on request for waiver of Ethics Rule 5, Lobbyist Registration and Reporting, based upon a preexisting relationship pursuant to Rule 5.25.

W-19-03, request by Representative Avery Frix held over for next meeting.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on request for waiver of Ethics Rule 5, Lobbyist Registration and Reporting, based upon a preexisting relationship pursuant to Rule 5.25.

W-19-04, request by Representative Chris Sneed held over for next meeting.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on request for waiver of Ethics Rule 5, Lobbyist Registration and Reporting, based upon a preexisting relationship pursuant to Rule 5.25.

W-19-05, request by Representative Nicole Miller held over for next meeting.

Executive Director's Report,

Report was provided by Executive Director Kemp on agency expenditures for the months of March and April 2019, continuing education programs, compliance and outreach, 2019 legislation and budget update, and commission administrative procedures.

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

Commissioner Laster moved that pursuant to counsel's advice as set forth in the agenda, the Commission go into executive session in the Commission offices in Room G-27 to discuss the items listed in agenda item 9

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

Discussion or comments by commissioners. None.

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

Motion was carried to go into Executive/Closed session at 10:11 a.m.

Executive session was held in the conference room located within the Ethics Commission office on the groud floor of the Capitol, Rm. G-27.

Director of Compliance Black left Executive/Closed session at approximately 11:35 a.m.

Possible action to return to Open Session. Commissioner Laster moved to reconvene in Open Session at 11:58 a.m.

Commissioner Hawkins seconded.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. None.

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

### Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Laster moved to approve the resignation of General Counsel Preslar, effective May 31, 2019.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

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

### Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved the Commission approve the proposed settlement agreement to resolve Case No. 2017-14.

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

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

# Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved the Commission approve the proposed settlement agreement to resolve Case No. 2018-11.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

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

#### Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved to dismiss Case No. 2019-2.

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

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

## Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved the Commission approve the proposed settlement agreement to resolve Oklahoma Ethics Commission v. Marina Mangiaracina 2018 et al., Case No. CV-2019-65, in the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma.

Commissioner Hawkins seconded.

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

## Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved the Commission approve the proposed settlement agreement to resolve Oklahoma Ethics Commission v. Michael Beavor, Case No. CV-2019-66, in the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma.

Commissioner Hawkins seconded.

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

# Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved the Commission approve the proposed settlement agreement to resolve Oklahoma Ethics Commission v. Tyler Grey et al., Case No. CV-2019-63 in the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

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

#### Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved the Commission approve the proposed settlement agreement to resolve Oklahoma Ethics Commission v. Friends for Caryl Talley 2016 et al., Case No. CV-2019-59, in the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma.

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

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

# Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved to dismiss Case No. 19-01.

Commissioner Hawkins seconded.

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

# Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved to authorize a formal investigation on Complaint C-19-03 based on a determination that there is reasonable cause to believe that the person or persons named in the complaint have violated Lobbyist Ethics Rule 5.

Commissioner Johnson seconded.

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

#### Motion carried.

Commissioner Laster moved the Commission approve the proposed settlement agreement to resolve Oklahoma Ethics Commission v. Lucas Craig Cannon 2018 et al., Case No. CV-2019-298, in the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

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

Motion carried.

New Business.

None.

Adjournment,

Commissioner Laster moved to adjourn.

Commissioner Hawkins seconded.

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

Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 12:08 p.m.

ASHLEY KEMP, Executive Director

Approved on Behalf of the Commission:

KAREN LONG, Chair