

Minutes of the Public Meeting of the Frederick County Ethics Commission

Monday, July 13, 2020

Present: Stephen K. Hess, Commission Member
Ernest A. Heller, Commission Member
Deborah L. Lundahl, Commission Member
Dr. Anna Johnson-Winegar, Commission Member
Rev. Douglas P. Jones, Commission Member
James Stanker, Alternate Commission Member

Absent: Deidre R. Davidson, Commission Member
M. Shane Canfield, Commission Member

Secretary: Andrew J. Ford, Assistant County Attorney

The Frederick County Ethics Commission meeting started at approximately 4:00 p.m. on July 13, 2020 via WebEx which was streamed simultaneously on Facebook Live.

Mr. Hess initially chaired the meeting.

Item One of the Agenda: Election of Chair and Vice-Chair. Mr. Hess indicated that he was not able to serve another term as Chair, but he recommended Mr. Heller take over the role for the next year. Mr. Heller indicated that he would be willing to serve as Chair if Mr. Hess would be willing to serve as Vice-Chair, which he indicated he would.

MOTION: Mr. Stanker moved to have Mr. Heller serve a one-year term as Chair. Ms. Johnson-Winegar seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

At this time, Mr. Heller took over the running of the meeting from Mr. Hess.

MOTION: Ms. Lundahl moved to have Mr. Hess serve as Vice-Chair. Ms. Johnson-Winegar seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved

Item Two of the Agenda: Distribution of the Public Ethics Report (January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020). The Commission members received copies of the 2020 Public Ethics Report for the period January 1, 2020, through June 30, 2020, which was submitted by the Office of the County Executive. The Public Ethics Law requires that this report be provided to the Ethics Commission.

MOTION: Rev. Jones moved to accept the Report, and Mr. Hess seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Item Three of the Agenda: Prior to the meeting the Office of the County Attorney distributed information regarding the status of receipt of financial disclosure statements required by the Public Ethics Law. The members agreed to have the Office distribute to the members the financial disclosure statements already received while the Office continued to make efforts to obtain those which are outstanding.

Adjournment

MOTION: Mr. Hess made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Lundahl seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

The Ethics Commission adjourned its meeting at approximately 4:15 p.m.

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Andrew J. Ford
Assistant County Attorney