

City of Milwaukee

Meeting Minutes

ETHICS BOARD

ANNIE WACKER, CHAIR, Robert Shelledy, Vice Chair Joanne Barndt, Patricia Hintz, and Bradley Kalscheur Staff Assistant, Molly Kuether-Steele, 286-2775 Fax: 286-3456, molly.kuether-steele@milwaukee.gov Legislative Liaison, Tea Norfolk, 286-8012, tea.norfolk@milwaukee.gov

Tuesday, January 16, 2018

9:00 AM

Room 303, City Hall

The meeting convened at 9:02 AM

1. Roll call and approval of the minutes from the previous meeting.

Ms. Barndt was present via phone.
ACA Peter Block was also present.
Ms. Hintz moved approval of the minutes, seconded by Mr. Kalscheur. There were no objections.
Present: 5 - Hintz, Wacker, Barndt, Shelledy, Kalscheur

2. The Board may convene into closed session to hear disciplinary matters and related information pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(b) and/or (f), Wis. Stats., and to consider and render confidential advice pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(h), Wis. Stats.

The Board convened in closed session at 9:44 AM to hear a request for confidential opinion.

3. The Board may then convene into open session as authorized by s. 19.85(2), Wis. Stats.

The Board reconvened into open session at 10:05 AM Ms. Wacker stated the response to the confidential opinion will be sent to the requestor.

4. Communication from the Assessor's Office regarding changes to the Positions Ordinance

Steve Miner, Assessor requested that the Board reconsider his request to add a Y footnote to the position of assessors in the Position Ordinance. He stated the Ch. 303 in being implemented inconsistently and is looking for clarification. Peter Bronek, Chief Assessor stated the senior property appraisers feel that this is an overreach to require the senior property appraisers to file a Statement of Economic Interest. Elizabeth Kessler, President of AFSCME Local 40, Council 32 read a prepared statement regarding the request to require the senior property appraisers to file a statement of economic interest.

Tom Mishefske, Department of Neighborhood Services stated inspectors or those issuing permits are required to file the statement of economic interest. Mr. Kalscheur moved, seconded by Ms. Hintz to removed the property assessors from to recommendation of Y footnotes to Finance & Personnel. Mr. Shelledy was the only objector.

Mr. Kalscheur moved to hold the request for further investigation to review all the Y footnotes, Ch. 303, and seek guidance from the City Attorney, seconded by Mr. Shelledy. There were no objections.

5. Report from staff assistant relating to office activities of the previous month.

Ms. Kuether-Steele stated the email to file annual statements of economic interest was sent out at the beginning of the January. She stated that the Mayor's Office was contacted regarding appointments of new members from the NAACP and the MMAC. She added Whitney Gould has requested an extension because she is hospitalized. Mr. Kalsheur moved to grant Ms. Gould a 3 month extension, seconded by Ms. Hintz. There were no objections.

6. Set next meeting date(s).

The next meeting was set for February 20, 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 AM. Molly Kuether-Steele Staff Assistant