

CITY OF SPOKANE  
ETHICS COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2015 MEETING

In attendance:

Monica Holland, Member  
Mike Piccolo, Asst. City Attorney  
Troy Bruner, Chair  
Levi Liljenquist, Member  
Brian Steverson, Member  
Tyler Wasson, Member  
Alice Buckles, Member  
Patrick Erickson  
Grace Ditzler (media)  
Jamie Pendleton (Complainant)  
Christy Jeffers (Interviewee for Salary Review Commission)  
James King, Attorney for Mayor Condon

Troy begins by welcoming all present.

Troy notes that the Commission has a quorum today despite Stephen Sennett being absent. Troy states all the members should have received the Findings regarding Mayor Condon from the last meeting.

The first agenda item is to approve the Coddington and Sanders complaint findings.

The Commission members affirm they have reviewed the Findings in re: Sanders and Troy makes a motion to approve, second by Brian, and the Findings are approved by all members.

As to Coddington, Levi makes a motion to approve the findings and Monica seconds. All approve.

The second agenda item are the new complaints against Mayor Condon:

- 1) Jamie Pendleton
- 2) Joe Shogan

The Commission reviews and reads a third complaint filed by Spitzer.

Mike Piccolo states that, procedurally, we should start with the first item. There is the issue of time allowance to respond. They have 30 days within which to set the initial hearing. Mike thinks therefore the thought is to schedule the meeting 30 days out.

The members agree to January 13, 2016 for the first hearing in order to give respondents time to prepare and respond. That hearing will be a jurisdiction hearing only.

Mike Piccolo suggests that all of the similar fact complaints regarding Mayor Condon be consolidated.

All members are available for January 13 and it will so be scheduled.

Troy inquires as to consolidating the complaints. Mike states that they are virtually identical. Levi agrees and notes that the citations to the code claim violated are very similar – enough to be consolidated. Levi moves to consolidate the similar complaints against the Mayor and Brian seconds. Motion carries unanimously.

Scheduling will be the first jurisdictional hearing for the complaints on January 13<sup>th</sup> at 4 and the second hearing for any matters not dismissed on jurisdiction will be heard on January 27, 2016.

The next item is the interview of Christy Jeffers for the Salary Review Commission. She states she moved back to Spokane from Deer Park. She works for Spokane County. She chose this Committee and Plan Commission as possible venues for her volunteer efforts – think where she could be the most help. She does not serve on any other boards or commissions. She understands the Committee to review information to determine if a salary set for employees is fair and reasonable pay.

There are no further questions or comments. Troy moves to proceed to recommend Ms. Jeffers to the Mayor for the Salary Review Commission. Alice Buckle seconds, all approve, motion carries.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes review and approved.

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