

West Virginia Ethics Commission

Meeting Minutes May 5, 2022

The May 5, 2022, meeting of the West Virginia Ethics Commission was called to order in the Commission's office at 210 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia, at 10:00 a.m. by Chairperson Robert J. Wolfe. Commissioners and the public were invited to attend in person and via telephone. Mr. Wolfe welcomed Mark Scott, Cabinet Secretary of the Department of Administration, to the meeting. Mr. Wolfe reported that a change to the meeting agenda has been made to postpone discussion of the lobbyist auditor reports to a later meeting of the Commission.

Present

Robert J. Wolfe, Commission chairperson
Lynn Davis, Commission member (by telephone)
Karen Disibbio, Commission member (by telephone)
Robert Harman, Commission member (by telephone)
Suzan Singleton, Commission member (by telephone)
Terry Walker, Commission member (by telephone)
Monté Williams, Commission member (by telephone)
Kimberly B. Weber, Executive Director
Theresa M. Kirk, General Counsel
Andrew Herrick, Staff Attorney
M. Ellen Briggs, Executive Assistant

Approve Minutes

Ms. Singleton made a motion to approve the minutes of the Commission's April 7, 2022, meeting. Ms. Disibbio seconded the motion, which passed as follows:

Davis – aye
Disibbio – aye
Harman – aye
Singleton – aye
Walker – aye
Wolfe – aye

Recap of Previous Month

Ms. Weber provided a summary of news and developments relating to the Ethics Commission during the previous month.

Employment Exemption Requests

EE 2022-18

Jimmy W. Pritt, Lab Coordinator, New Products Evaluation Coordinator, Materials Control, Soils and Testing Division, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-19

Keith Woodruff, Highway Transportation Engineering Technician (HTRET), Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-20

Michael R. Jones, Chemist 3, Environmental and Coatings Section, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-21

Paul M. Farley, Highway Engineer, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-22

Rion N. Wimer, Highway Engineer Associate - Senior, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-23

Richard C. Aliff, Senior Construction Technician, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-24

Marvin W. Carder, DO6 Construction Area Supervisor, HTRETCN, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-25

Brian L. Neely, Transportation Technician, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-26

Jason A. Marino, Highways Realty Agent, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

EE 2022-27

John P. Toomey, Division Manager 2, Department of Transportation,
Division of Highways

Mr. Harman moved that Employment Exemptions 2022-18 through 2022-27 be ratified. Ms. Singleton seconded the motion, which passed as follows:

Davis – aye
Disibbio – aye
Harman – aye
Singleton – aye
Walker – aye
Wolfe – aye

Advisory Opinion 2022-11

Mr. Wolfe called upon Ms. Kirk to present Advisory Opinion 2022-11 to the Commission for consideration. Ms. Kirk presented the proposed Advisory Opinion. Ms. Singleton made a motion that the Advisory Opinion be approved as presented. Mr. Harman seconded the motion, which passed as follows:

Davis – aye
Disibbio – aye
Harman – aye
Singleton – aye
Walker – aye
Wolfe – aye

Advisory Opinion 2022-12

Mr. Wolfe called upon Ms. Weber to present Advisory Opinion 2022-12 to the Commission for consideration. Ms. Weber presented the proposed Advisory Opinion. A motion was made by Ms. Singleton to accept the proposed Advisory Opinion. Mr. Harman seconded the motion. Further discussion ensued, and a motion was made by Ms. Davis that the Advisory Opinion be amended. Mr. Harman seconded the motion. The amendment to the Advisory Opinion carried as follows:

Davis – aye
Disibbio – aye
Harman – aye
Singleton – aye
Walker – aye
Wolfe – aye

The motion to approve the Advisory Opinion carried as follows:

Davis – aye
Disibbio – aye
Harman – aye
Singleton – aye
Walker – aye
Wolfe – aye

Advisory Opinion 2022-13

Mr. Wolfe called upon Mr. Herrick to present Advisory Opinion 2022-13 to the Commission for consideration. Mr. Herrick presented the proposed Advisory Opinion. Mr. Williams experienced a telephone issue and was now able to join in the voting. Mr. Harman made a motion that the Advisory Opinion be approved as presented. Ms. Singleton seconded the motion, which passed as follows:

Davis – aye
Disibbio – aye
Harman – aye
Singleton – aye
Walker – aye
Williams – aye
Wolfe – aye

Approve P-card Monthly Report

The Commission reviewed the P-card monthly report for March 2022. A motion was made by Ms. Davis to approve the report as presented. Ms. Disibbio seconded the motion, which passed as follows:

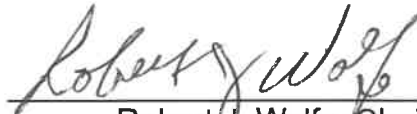
Davis – aye
Disibbio – aye
Harman – aye
Singleton – aye
Walker – aye
Williams – aye
Wolfe – aye

Adjournment

Ms. Singleton made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Disibbio seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows, and the meeting was adjourned.

Davis – aye
Disibbio – aye
Harman – aye
Singleton – aye
Walker – aye
Williams – aye
Wolfe – aye

The foregoing minutes of the West Virginia Ethics Commission were approved at the Commission's June 2, 2022, meeting.



Robert J. Wolfe, Chairperson
West Virginia Ethics Commission

ATTEST:



M. Ellen Briggs, Executive Assistant
West Virginia Ethics Commission