

BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA ETHICS COMMISSION

In the matter of:

Verified Complaint No. 2008-07

Respondent: Roger Wolfe, former Mayor, City of Dunbar

STATEMENT OF CHARGES AND NOTICE OF HEARING

On or about December 2, 2008 an ethics complaint was filed against Roger Wolfe, former Mayor, City of Dunbar, and was referred to the West Virginia Ethics Commission's Probable Cause Review Board.

On January 20, 2010, the members of the Probable Cause Review Board, by unanimous vote of those present, entered an Order finding probable cause to believe that the Respondent violated W. Va. Code § 6B-2-5, and directing the preparation of this Statement of Charges.

The members of the Probable Cause Review Board charge that within two years before the filing of the complaint in this matter, Roger Wolfe, as the elected Mayor of the City of Dunbar (City), did knowingly and intentionally use his office for his own private gain and/or for the private gain of others. It is hereby charged that Respondent Wolfe violated the Ethics Act as follows:

COUNT I

Roger Wolfe obtained reimbursement from the City for his meals without authorization or authority therefor.

COUNT II

Roger Wolfe obtained reimbursement from the City for his personal mileage or personal vehicle use without authorization or authority therefor.

COUNT III

Roger Wolfe obtained reimbursement from the City for home telephone and personal cell phone expenses without authorization or authority therefor.

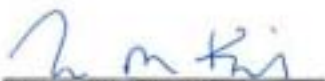
COUNT IV

Roger Wolfe "reimbursed" City employee and mayoral secretary Beth Williamson and Dunbar City Clerk Ron Rowley in lieu of their participation in the City insurance policy without authorization, and without offering such "reimbursement" to any other similarly situated City employee.

NOTICE OF HEARING

You are hereby notified that on or before April 20, 2010 at a specific date, location and time to be determined, a hearing will be held to determine the truth or falsity of the charges against you contained in the foregoing Statement of Charges.

Pursuant to the direction of the Commission, an independent hearing examiner appointed by the Commission will preside at the hearing. The record compiled by the hearing examiner will then be submitted to the members of the Ethics Commission who will make a final decision in this case.



Theresa M. Kirk
Executive Director



Date