



Ethics Commission Meeting Agenda

210 Brooks Street, Third Floor Conference Room,
Charleston, WV 25301

February 6, 2014
10:00 a.m.

1. Approve Minutes of **January 21, 2014 Special Meeting (Chairperson Morton)**
2. Next meeting date:
March 6, 2014 or at a date and time to be determined by the Commission
3. Recap of Previous Month (**Ms. Parker**)
4. Advisory Opinion Requests
 - AO 2013-61** (Mr. Visnic)
A **Mayor** asks if the Ethics Act permits him to communicate in his public capacity with public agencies on matters of concern to the City.
 - AO 2014-01** (Ms. Parker)
A **County Economic Development Authority** asks if it may solicit and spend funds to underwrite its "County Day at the Legislature".
 - AO 2014-02** (Ms. Weber)
A **State Board** asks whether its members who have relationships with particular municipalities must recuse themselves from reviewing, evaluating, and /or voting on applications submitted by these municipalities.

AO 2014-03 (Ms. Weber)

A **County Hospital** asks whether its Board of Trustees Members may solicit donations of cash or products from community businesses, individuals, and other organizations for hospital projects.

AO 2014-04 (Ms. Parker)

An **Assistant Park Superintendent**, whose brother has a contract to operate a marina at the same park, asks whether he may serve as Park Superintendent and, if so, whether he may be involved with the marina.

5. Contract Exemption Requests

6. School Board Advisory Opinion Requests

SBAO 2014-01 (Ms. Parker)

A **County Board of Education Employee** asks if he may keep his job as Attendance Director/Alternative School Liaison and be a candidate for membership on the same County Board of Education.

7. Property Exemption Requests

NONE

8. Employment Exemption Requests (**Ms. Parker**)

EE 2014-01 Lou Ann Lee, Division of Air Control, Dept. of Environmental Protection

9. Miscellaneous Matters (**Ms. Parker**)

(a) P-Card Monthly Report (enclosure)

(b) Consider taking a position on legislation to amend the Ethics Act

(1) **HB 2029**-a bill to require reporting and publication of all lobbyist compensation, including "contingent compensation"

(2) **HB 2748**-A bill requiring reporting and publication of all lobbyist compensation, including the source of that compensation.

(3) **HB 2796**-A bill requiring lobbyists to disclose the compensation agreements for each registered employer

(4) **SB 28** - a bill to amend the Ethics Act to add a prohibition against certain campaign contributions by lobbyists during legislative session

(5) SB 217 - a bill to amend the Ethics Act to add a prohibition against public officials and employees using public funds for self-promotion

(6) SB 2885 – a similar bill to SB 217, but this bill also amends the Ethics Act to add a prohibition against public officials and employees from placing their likeness on publicly owned vehicles

(7) Committee Substitute/SB 365 - a bill to amend the Ethics Act's exception to the prohibition against having a financial interest in a public contract.

(c) Consider authorizing Executive Director to act in the name of the Ethics Commission by taking an official position on legislation proposed during the 2014 session.

10. Adjourn