City of Hyattsville Ethics Commission Tuesday, January 10, 2024 5:00 p.m.

VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

In attendance: Mark Graham, Michael Horlick (chair), T. Carter Ross (recordkeeper), Katie Siemon, David Sip. Staff: Nate Groenendyk, Laura Reams.

1. A quorum was noted and the meeting called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Chair Michael Horlick.

2. Prior Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the meeting of November 14, 2023, were approved on a voice vote.

3. Review of Annual Reports

The Commission reviewed the annual reports of candidates with open campaign accounts. Deputy Clerk Groenendyk noted that the following revised report had been received since the Commission's September meeting.

Lisbeth Melendez Rivera (Ward 2)

In reviewing the report from Ms. Melendez Riveria, it was noted that the candidate is making good-faith efforts to clear the report, but some confusion remains. The Commission approved Chair Horlick and Recordkeeper Ross reaching out to the candidate and treasurer to walk through correcting the form and then report back to the Commission.

4. Election of Officers

Deputy Clerk Groenendyk noted that city committee rules require elections for leadership annually. In discussion, no new candidates for chair or recordkeeper came forward, and the Commission reelected the current officers.

5. New Business

Deputy Clerk Groenendyk noted that some new language regarding special elections is under legal review, which may have an impact on future Ethics Commission activities. Katie Siemon also asked the Deputy Clerk about the previously mentioned person who wished to register as a lobbyist. Groenendyk reported that the registration requirements and form are also under legal review, but there is nothing further to report at this time.

6. Adjournment

Absent an unanticipated need, the next Ethics Commission meeting will be held at 5 p.m. on February 6, 2024.

There being no further business, Chair Horlick adjourned the meeting at 5:19 p.m. on a voice vote.