## **Allegheny County Council**

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# **Committee Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, September 14, 2006 4:00 PM

**Conference Room 1** 

**Committee on Appointment Review** 

John DeFazio - Chair; Committee of the Whole

#### I. Call To Order

**Summary:** The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM

**Invited Guests:** 

Jim Flynn, County Manager or Designee Shawn Fox, Executive Assistant

Summary: Invited Guests Present: Mr. Flynn

Council Staff In Attendance: John Mascio, Jared Barker, and Stephanie Buka

#### II. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Caldwell, and Council Member Finnerty

Absent: Council Member Burn, Council Member Cleary, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fitzgerald, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Macey, Council Member Frazier, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member

Rea, and Council Member Robinson

## III. Approval of Minutes

2777-06 Motion to approve the Minutes of July 6, 2006 Appointment Review Committee

Meeting.

Action: A motion was made by Finnerty, seconded by Caldwell, that this matter be

Passed. The motion carried unanimously.

## IV. Agenda Items

## **Proposed Appointments**

2715-06 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Herky Pollock to serve as a

Member of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for a term to

expire on May 23, 2009.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

**Summary:** Mr. Pollack provided the Committee with a summary of his background and

qualifications. He said that he has a life long desire to maintain and grow our region

and to assist with the real estate efforts of the region.

The Committee had no questions for Mr. Pollack.

Action: A motion was made by Finnerty, seconded by Caldwell, that this matter be

Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

2744-06 Appointment - Approving the appointment of Timothy H. Johnson to serve as a

Member of the Retirement Board of Allegheny County for a term to expire on

December 31, 2007.

**Sponsors:** Chief Executive

**Summary:** 

Mr. Johnson provided the Committee with a summary of his background and qualifications. He said that his background reflects a deep understanding of fiduciary responsibility as it relates to private equity investments that the Retirement board makes.

The Committee had no questions for Mr. Johnson.

Action:

A motion was made by Finnerty, seconded by Caldwell, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

2745-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Eddie Edwards, Jr. to serve as a Member of the Allegheny County Port Authority for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

**Summary:** 

Mr. Edwards provided the Committee with a summary of his background and qualifications. He said that he was honored to be nominated to the Authority. He said that he plans to be active in attracting young people to remain in our county. He said that he wants to create diversity among the riders both ethnically and age wise.

Ms. Caldwell asked him if he were up to the task of facing possible fare increases or service cuts in order to work within a balanced budget. Mr. Edwards said that he would do whatever was appropriate. He said that the Authority must be run like a business but they would have to take into consideration the people they are serving.

There were no further questions.

**Action:** 

A motion was made by Caldwell, seconded by Finnerty, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Resolution

**2431-06** 

A Resolution of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, directing a working group to create a draft appointment term tracking policy for Allegheny County to be presented for review to Council and the Chief Executive within forty-five (45) days of passage of this resolution; with the expectation that the Council and the Chief Executive will review the policy and act upon its recommendations within thirty (30) days of their receipt of the policy.

**Sponsors:** William Russell Robinson

**Summary:** 

The Chair indicated that the bill was held at the request of the sponsor. He said that the sponsor was satisfied that the Administration was making progress on the bill.

Action: Held in Committee

### V. Adjournment

**Summary:** The meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM