

Allegheny County Council

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 23, 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 in attendance: Derek Uber for Mr. Flynn*

Council Staff in attendance: John Mascio and Jared Barker

II. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Council Member DeFazio, Council Member Cleary, Council Member Finnerty, and Council Member Frazier
Absent: Council Member Burn, Council Member Drozd, Council Member Fitzgerald, Council Member Fawcett, Council Member Gastgeb, Council Member Jabbour, Council Member Martoni, Council Member Nerone, Council Member Rea, and Council Member Robinson

III. Approval of Minutes

2430-06 Motion to approve the Minutes of February 16, 2006 Appointment Review Committee Meeting.

Summary: *The Chair moved to correct the Minutes of the February 16, 2006 Appointment Review Committee meeting to reflect that Council Member Martoni abstained from voting on the motion for a negative recommendation on Bill No. 2316-06. The Chair said that Mr. Martoni indicated to him prior to that meeting that he would not be voting. Ms. Cleary and Mr. Finnerty said that Mr. Martoni also indicated that to them. The Chair said that in a newspaper article Mr. Martoni said that when a voice vote was taken on the bill he did not voice an aye. He did, however, acknowledge that he should have registered an abstention but forgot to do so.*

The motion to correct the minutes passed unanimously.

Action: **A motion was made by Cleary, seconded by Finnerty, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried unanimously.**

IV. Agenda Items

2368-06 Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Glenn R. Flickinger to serve as a member to the Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority, and the Residential Finance Authority, all of which comprise the umbrella Authority that is the Finance and Development Commission, for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Mr. Flickinger provided the committee with a summary of his background and qualifications. He also provided them with highlights of his past term on the board and*

his future goals. Ms. Frazier asked him what the board does. He said that basically they approve various tax exempt bond issues for area authorities for economic development activity. Ms. Cleary asked him if the board ever rejected any proposals. He said that he although they amended a few, he could not recall ever rejecting any.

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

2369-06

Appointment - Approving the reappointment of Marilyn Liggett to serve as a member to the Allegheny County Industrial Development Authority, the Allegheny County Hospital Development Authority, the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority, and the Residential Finance Authority, all of which comprise the umbrella Authority that is the Finance and Development Commission, for a term to expire on December 31, 2009.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: Ms. Liggett provided the committee with a summary of her background and qualifications. She also provided the committee with highlights of her past term on the board and her future goals. The Chair asked her how the housing assistance aspect of the board operates. She explained this to the committee. She said that they assist people with housing finance. She said that she thinks there should be a better educational system to let the public know that this type of assistance is available. She said that they work with a list of various brokers. The Chair asked her to provide the Chief Clerk with that list. She said that she would do so.

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

2376-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Timothy M. Hazel to serve as a member of the Property Assessment Appeals and Review Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: Mr. Hazel provided the committee with a summary of his background and qualifications. He said that his experience in real estate will bring clarity and perspective to approaching some of the issues facing the board. Ms. Cleary asked him if he understood the concept of base year. He said he understood it very well.

Action: A motion was made by Frazier, seconded by Cleary, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

2413-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Erin Dalton to serve as a member of the Juvenile Detention Board of Advisors for a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: Ms. Dalton provided the committee with a summary of her background and qualifications. She said that she is very familiar with what Shuman does and is looking forward to learning more. Ms. Cleary asked her if she new what the board does. Ms. Dalton said that she assumed that they provide guidance and oversight.

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

2415-06

Appointment - Approving the appointment of Keith G. Kondrich to serve as a member of the Children Youth and Families Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

Summary: *Mr. Kondrich provided the committee with a summary of his background and qualifications. He also informed the committee of what his plans would be for the board should his nomination be approved.*

Action: **A motion was made by Frazier, seconded by Cleary, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried unanimously.**

V. Adjournment

Summary: *The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM*