

MINUTES OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION

OPEN MEETING OF OCTOBER 15, 2024

A meeting of the Baltimore County Ethics Commission was called to order at 1:03 p.m. on Tuesday, October 15, 2024. The meeting was held by WebEx and consisted of both an open session and a closed session. The initial (open) session began at 1:03 p.m. Present were:

Mandee Heintl, Chair
Laura Ray, Commissioner
Sasha Rousseau, Commissioner
Hunter Piel, Commissioner
Kevin Murphy, Commissioner

Also present were Tracey Paliath, Executive Director of the Ethics Commission, and James R. Benjamin Jr. County Attorney, counsel for the Commission.

Call to Order:

Chair Heintl called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Murphy to approve the open and closed meeting minutes for the October 1, 2024 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Report

Director Paliath Upcoming meeting with County Administrative Officer and Office of Human Resources Director to discuss who should be filing (with input from Office of Law). It's been about five years since this has been looked at and the County Administrative Officer asked us to review all job descriptions to determine who should be filing. Chair Heintl asked Director Paliath to report back on the outcome of the meeting.

Move into Closed Session:

A motion was made by Commissioner Piel to move into closed session as names of complaints and respondents would be mentioned and legal advice was needed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Murphy. The Commissioners were polled and the motion unanimously passed. The Commission went into closed session at 1:06 p.m.

End of Closed Session

At 1:29 p.m. Chair Heintz made a motion to go back into open session; it was seconded by Commissioner Ray and the members were polled. The motion passed unanimously. The Commission went back into open session.

Move into Open Session

The Commissioners discussed that they would like to hold the December meeting on December 12 at 3:30 p.m. in person with a telephone number to call in if there is anyone who can't attend in person. The next meeting will be held in person on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Commissioner Piel and seconded by Commissioner Murphy, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey Paliath, Executive Director