

MINUTES of the meeting of the NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

The Commission on Ethics held a public meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. at the following location:

State of Nevada Commission on Ethics Office 704 W. Nye Lane Suite 204 Carson City, NV 89703

Zoom Meeting Information

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88083961176?pwd=enby4aG9pg1S015RbWa7bizNfO22Kb.1

Zoom Meeting Telephone Number: 1-253-205-0468 Meeting ID: 880 8396 1176

Passcode: 231405

These minutes constitute a summary of the above proceedings of the Nevada Commission on Ethics. A recording of the meeting is available for public inspection at the Commission's office and on the Commission's YouTube channel.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

Chair Kim Wallin, CPA, CMA, CFM appeared via Zoom videoconference and called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Commissioners Michael E. Langton, Esq., John T. Moran III, Esq., and Stan Olsen also appeared via Zoom videoconference. Commissioner Scott Scherer, Esq. appeared in person at the Commission's office in Carson City. Vice Chair Thoran Towler, Esq. and Commissioners Teresa Lowry, Esq. and Amanda Yen, Esq. were excused. Present for Commission staff in Carson City were Executive Director Ross E. Armstrong, Esq., Commission Counsel Elizabeth J. Bassett, Esq., Senior Legal Researcher Wendy Pfaff and Executive Assistant Kari Pedroza. Chief Deputy Attorney General Gregory D. Ott, Esq. appeared via Zoom videoconference.

2. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes of the April 17, 2024, Commission Meeting.

Chair Wallin stated that all Commissioners were present for the April 17, 2024 Commission Meeting except Commissioner Langton who was not yet appointed and therefore precluded from participating in this item.

Commissioner Scherer moved to approve the April 17, 2024, Commission Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Olsen seconded the motion. The Motion was put to a vote and carried as follows:

Chair Wallin: Aye.
Commissioner Langton: Abstain.
Commissioner Moran: Aye.
Commissioner Olsen: Aye.
Commissioner Scherer: Aye.

4. <u>Discussion and approval of a Written Opinion concerning Ethics Complaint Case No. 23-056C regarding Hilary Schieve, Mayor, City of Reno, State of Nevada.</u>

Chair Wallin introduced the item and stated for the record that Vice Chair Towler and Commissioners Lowry and Yen served as members of the Review Panel and would be precluded from participating in this item pursuant to NRS 281A.220(4). She further provided that although Commissioner Yen was on the Review Panel, Yen disclosed and abstained from participating in the Review Panel. Chair Wallin noted that proper notice had been provided and waivers were received regarding this item.

Commissioner Langton explained that he would be abstaining from participating in the item as he did not have adequate time to review the Opinion and the case record prior to the meeting. Chair Wallin thanked Commissioner Langton and welcomed him to the Commission.

Chair Wallin asked a clarifying question regarding language in the Opinion and Chief Deputy Attorney General Ott provided the answer.

Commissioner Scherer moved to approve the written opinion as presented and instruct Chief Deputy Attorney General Gregory Ott, Acting Commission Counsel on this matter to finalize the opinion as to legal form and cause it to be properly served on all parties. Commissioner Moran seconded the motion. The Motion was put to a vote and carried as follows:

Chair Wallin: Aye.
Commissioner Langton: Abstain.
Commissioner Moran: Aye.
Commissioner Olsen: Aye.
Commissioner Scherer: Aye.

5. Commissioner Comments on matters including, without limitation, identification of future agenda items, upcoming meeting dates and meeting procedures. No action will be taken under this agenda item.

Commissioner Scherer welcomed Commissioner Langton to the Commission. Commissioner Langton thanked Commissioner Scherer.

Chair Wallin informed Commissioner Langton that if he ever has any questions he can always reach out to Commission Counsel Bassett. Commissioner Langton stated that he recently met with Executive Director Armstrong and Commission Counsel Bassett, noted that they were extremely helpful and thanked them both.

Chair Wallin noted that the next Commission meeting will be held in Winnemucca on June 26, 2024 and added that she looked forward to traveling down to Winnemucca.

6. Public Comment.

There was no Public Comment.

7. Adjournment.

Commissioner Olsen made a motion to adjourn the public meeting. Commissioner Scherer seconded the motion. The Motion was put to a vote and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:	Minutes approved June 26, 2024:
/s/ Kari Pedroza	/s/ Kim Wallin_
Kari Pedroza	Kim Wallin, CPA, CMA, CFM
Executive Assistant	Chair
/s/ Ross Armstrong	
Ross Armstrong, Esq.	
Executive Director	