OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

SEPTEMBER 3, 2015

THURSDAY 1:29 P.M. COMMISSION CHAMBERS GOVERNMENTAL CENTER

(CLERK'S NOTE: The following agenda items were taken out of order.)

- II. SWEARING AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONER BY CHIEF JUDGE JEFFREY COLBATH, 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
- II.a. Sarah L. Shullman appointed by the Palm Beach County Bar Association, Hispanic Bar Association and the Cunningham Bar Association

(CLERK'S NOTE: Chief Judge Jeffrey Colbath administered the oath of office to newly elected Commissioner Sarah Shullman.)

I. CALL TO ORDER

(CLERK'S NOTE: The numeric order of the agenda was restored.)

III. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS:

Michael S. Kridel, Chair Clevis Headley, Vice Chair – Absent Michael F. Loffredo – Absent Judy Pierman Sarah L. Shullman

STAFF:

Anthony C. Bennett, COE Investigator Steven P. Cullen, COE Executive Director Gina A. Levesque, COE Intake Manager

ROLL CALL - CONTINUED

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Solibel Rose, Deputy Clerk, Clerk & Comptroller's Office

IV. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Commission on Ethics (COE) Chair Michael Kridel said that all mobile telephones should be silenced.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 6, 2015

MOTION to approve the August 6, 2015, minutes. Motion by Judy Pierman, seconded by Sarah Shullman, and carried 3-0. Clevis Headley and Michael Loffredo absent.

VI. PROCESSED ADVISORY OPINIONS (CONSENT AGENDA)

VI.a. RQO 15-037

VI.b. RQO 15-038

VI.c. RQO 15-039

VI.d. RQO 15-040

VI.e. RQO 15-041

MOTION to accept the advisory opinions as published. Motion by Judy Pierman, seconded by Sarah Shullman, and carried 3-0. Clevis Headley and Michael Loffredo absent.

VII. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA – None

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VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS

VIII.a.

DISCUSSED: Expression of Thanks.

Steven P. Cullen, COE Executive Director, thanked the Hispanic Bar Association, the Palm Beach County Bar Association and the F. Malcolm Cunningham Bar Association with their assistance in the appointment of Commissioner Shullman.

VIII.b.

DISCUSSED: Proposed Ordinance Changes.

Mr. Cullen said that the Board of County Commissioners approved a preliminary reading and advertisement on the proposed changes to the COE Ordinance and the Code of Ethics. He added that a final hearing on the changes was scheduled for September 22, 2015.

IX. COMMISSION COMMENTS

IX.a.

DISCUSSED: Expression of Thanks.

Commissioner Shullman thanked Chief Judge Colbath, the bar associations and the COE board members, and said that she would fulfill her position with integrity to achieve the goal of fostering the public's trust in the County.

IX.b.

DISCUSSED: Welcoming Remarks.

Commissioner Pierman welcomed Commissioner Shullman.

Chair Kridel welcomed Commissioner Shullman and said that she would be a positive asset to the COE.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

At 1:37 p.m., the chair declared the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

hair/Vice Chair