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STEVEN W. HAMM
INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MINUTES SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING OPEN SESSION

February 21, 2017 (Audio)

The audio conference meeting was called to order by Chairman James I. Warren, III, at 10:03 a.m. Chairman Warren asked for a roll call. Present were Vice Chair Sherri A. Lydon, Julie J. Moose, Sandy Templeton, Thomas M. Galardi, Francis E. Grimbball, Twana N. Burris-Alcide, and Brian M. Barnwell. Absent was Regina Lewis.

The news media was duly notified.

Staff present: Ami R. Franklin, and Karen A. Wiggins.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Warren asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of having a discussion on hiring an Interim Director, then return to Open Session, and then entertain a motion to vote for the Interim Director. A motion was made by Mrs. Burris-Alcide, seconded by Mrs. Moose, to go into Executive Session. There being no discussion or opposition, the motion carried with an 8 – 0 vote. Mrs. Lewis was absent.

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

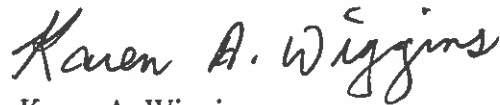
Upon return from Executive Session, there was no motion taken to adopt and ratify actions in Executive Session since it was only a discussion session. Chairman Warren then asked for a motion on the matter of a permanent Interim Director. Mr. Grimbball made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Moose, to offer the position of permanent Interim Director to Steven W. Hamm at the minimum salary. There being no discussion or opposition, the motion carried with an 8 – 0 vote. Mrs. Lewis was absent.

Chairman Warren then asked for any further business. Discussion ensued concerning the great job Mrs. Franklin has done as Acting Interim Director. Mr. Grimball made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Moose, to increase Mrs. Franklin's salary to the minimal as Acting Interim Director for the period January 1, 2017, through February 26, 2017, and Mr. Hamm will start Monday, February 27, 2017, as Permanent Interim Director. Chairman Warren asked for further discussion. There being none, the motion carried with an 8 – 0 vote. Mrs. Lewis was absent.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Warren asked for any further discussion. There being no further business, Mr. Grimball made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Moose, to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. The motion carried with an 8 – 0 vote. Mrs. Lewis was absent.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Wiggins
Administrative Specialist