

Board of Ethics Members

District 1 - Vacant

District 2 - Craig Simmons

District 3 - Vacant

District 4 - Anquilla Henderson, Chair

District 5 -Desmond McLain, Vice-Chair

Tax Commissioner's Appointees:

Cynthia Cornog

Antonio Taylor

Clerk of Superior Court's Selected Alternate

Members:

Thomas Loree

Felicia Harrell



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HENRY COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS
MEETING 6:00 PM, Tuesday, December 12, 2023
Meeting held in Board of Ethics Conference Room

I. In Attendance:

- **Desmond McLain**
- **Craig Simmons**
- **Cynthia Cornog**
- **Antonio Taylor**
- **Felicia Harrell (alternate)**
- **Gloria Banister, Ethics Administrator**
- **Obreziah Bullard, Ethics Officer**

II. Call to Order: 6:14pm, by Board Vice Chair Desmond McLain

III. Approval of Minutes

- **11/8/2023 – approved unanimously.**

IV. Agenda

A. Call to Order and Roll Call by Board Vice Chair Desmond McLain

B. Board Vote for Approval of meeting minutes for 11/8/23

- **Cynthia Cornog made the motion to approve meeting minutes for 11/8/23, Craig Simmons second the motion. Vote was unanimous.**

C. Updates by Ethics Administrator

- **Starting spendable budget was \$104, 683.00, as of December 7th \$23,337.73 has been spent on general supplies, case management software system for case load, monthly office equipment rentals, cell phone and MIFI devices for ethics administrator and ethics officer, promotional items for community outreach, purchase of ZOOM for board meetings, and consultation fee for Hilliard Starkey Law. Available Budget \$81,345.27**

D. Updates by Ethics Officer

E. Continuation of Disclosure 2023DC2 Rod Meadows as General Counsel on behalf of David Crow.

- **Craig Simmons made the motion that there is no conflict of interest between the Development Authority and 1st Bank. Cynthia Cornog second the motion. Vote was unanimous.**

F. Presentation by Ethics Officer of Probable Cause on case 2023EB10 Tina Coria v. Carlotta Harrell.

- **Cynthia Cornog recused herself from case 2023EB10, due to knowing and being neighbors with complainant Tina Coria.**
- **Antonio Taylor made the motion to Dismiss for lack of probable cause. Motion was Denied.**
- **Desmond McLain made the motion to table decision until complainant Tina Coria can provide more evidence before next meeting on January 9, 2024. Craig Simmons second the motion. Vote was 3 in favor, 1 opposed**

G. Board Executive Session

- **Felicia Harrell made the motion at to enter into executive session, Antonio Taylor second the motion. Vote was unanimous**
- **Cynthia Cornog made the motion to close out the executive session. Felicia Harrell second the motion. Vote was unanimous**
- **Cynthia Cornog made the motion to resume regular meeting. Craig Simmons second the motion. Vote was unanimous**

H. Adjourn meeting

V.

Closing Remarks- Open to all members

- **Cynthia Cornog made the motion to hire Hilliard Starkey Law as general counsel to the board. Craig Simmons second the motion. Vote was unanimous.**

VI.

Adjournment at 8:11pm- Desmond McLain motion, Second by Antonio Taylor

VII.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 6:00 p.m.