

*workforce*CONNECTIONS
Local Elected Officials Consortium

MINUTES

January 8, 2013

1:00 p.m.

7251 W. Lake Mead Blvd.
Suite 200 Conference Room
Las Vegas, NV 89128

Members Present

Commissioner Butch Borasky	Councilwoman Gerri Schroder
Councilwoman Peggy Leavitt	Councilman Bob Coffin
Councilwoman Anita Wood	

Members Absent

Commissioner Lawrence Weekly

Staff Present

Ardell Galbreth	Suzanne Potter	Jim Kostecki
Heather DeSart	Carol Turner	Janice Greer

Others Present

Sandra Douglas Morgan, Legal Counsel	Scott A. Marquis, Marquis, Aurbach & Coffing
Matt Cecil, Fisher & Phillips, LLC	Keith Hosannah, DETR/WISS
Jack Eslinger, City of Las Vegas	Dr. Tiffany Tyler, Nevada Partners, Inc.
Michael Oh, City of Henderson	

(It should be noted that not all attendees may be listed above)

1. CALL TO ORDER, confirmation of posting, roll call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Councilwoman Anita Wood at 1:04 p.m. Staff confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed and posted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Approve the Agenda with inclusions of any emergency items and deletion of any items

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented by Councilwoman Gerri Schroder and seconded by Commissioner Butch Borasky. Motion carried.

3. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

None

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Approve the Minutes from the Local Elected Officials Consortium Meeting of November 13, 2012

A motion was made to approve the Minutes from the Local Elected Officials Consortium Meeting of November 13, 2012 by Councilwoman Peggy Leavitt and seconded by Councilwoman Gerri Schroder. Motion carried.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Approve New Board Member Application for Matt Cecil, Fisher & Phillips, LLP representing the business category.

Ardell Galbreth stated that Mr. Cecil comes highly recommended by his employer Fisher & Phillips and that he would be a good addition to the Board.

Councilwoman Gerri Schroder inquired if Mr. Cecil's former position as legal counsel to the Board would fall under the *cooling off period* observed for former staff members.

Sandra Douglas Morgan verified that she looked into NRS 281(a) which applies to ethics in government and public officers and stated that Mr. Cecil did not meet that definition. The LEOs legal counsel reviewed all the statutes and do not believe there is any conflict.

Councilman Bob Coffin expressed concern about Mr. Cecil being from the "old school" aka, John Ball school of thinking. Coffin asked Mr. Cecil to talk a little bit about the past and how he is going to be an independent person serving on the Board.

Ms. Morgan advised that Mr. Cecil should not talk about the past due to his former capacity as the Board's attorney. Ms. Morgan stated that legal counsels have thoroughly vetted Mr. Cecil's application and feel that he meets the qualifications to serve and represent the business community on the Board.

Mr. Galbreth briefly explained the composition requirements for the Board and verified that Mr. Cecil was nominated by his employer.

Councilwoman Peggy Leavitt commented that Mr. Cecil's history with the Board will be beneficial to the organization because he is familiar with Workforce Connections and will not have to go through a learning curve, which can be steep for those who are new to WIA. Mr. Cecil will be a positive influence to the Board, Leavitt stated.

Following discussion,

A motion was made to approve new Board Member Application for Matt Cecil, Fisher & Phillips, LLP representing the business category by Councilwoman Gerri Schroder and seconded by Councilwoman Peggy Leavitt. Councilman Bob Coffin opposed. Motion carried.

6. LEO Consortium Closed Session

The Consortium went into a closed session at 1:20 p.m. and returned at 1:52 p.m.

7. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

Matt Cecil thanked the LEOs for giving him the opportunity to serve on the Board. He is looking forward to serving and said there is a personal benefit to working on this Board as Workforce Connections' is one of the better governmental agencies - it gives the community a hand up rather than a handout.

8. LEO Consortium Member Comments

Regarding the Board recertification, Councilwoman Wood commented that Mr. Galbreth and his staff have done a wonderful job.

Councilman Coffin, Councilwoman Schroder and Councilwoman Wood requested staff to update the Board Roster with their correct ethnicity information.

Commissioner Borasky announced that his is the Chairman for Nye County Commission this year and he was thinking about sending an alternate Commissioner to serve on the Workforce Connections Board; however, one of the alternates is overloaded with duties and the other three are anti-grant funded individuals so he has decided to continue serving on the Board.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.