

City of Reading Charter Board

March 19, 2013 – 7:45 pm

Penn Room

Members Present: Susan Gibson, Jerry Richter, Elizabeth Stanley

Board Solicitor: Eric Smith, Esq

Members Absent: None

Members of Public and Invited Guests: none

I. Administration

- The Board's next meeting of April 2, 2013, will be rescheduled to 7:45 pm. Public notification will be coordinated through the Clerk's office.
- The Chair announced there has been no new Right to Know requests.
- February 2013 invoices were distributed for review. Budget summary year to date reflects total expenditures of \$42,682.26.
- Meeting minutes for March 11, 2013 will be presented for review on 4/2/13.

II. Education

- No current issues

III. Advisory

- The Board has before it two requests for Advisory Opinion dated March 11, 2013 from Councilor Randy Corcoran. Mr. Corcoran's requests, labeled as Advisory Opinions #31 and #32 ask the following:

#31 – to render an Advisory Opinion regarding the City's requirement or obligation to provide legal counsel to an elected official when his or her actions or behavior violates the City's Charter, Administrative Code, or Ethics Code.

#32 – to render an Advisory Opinion regarding the Mayor's ability to enter into a memorandum of Understanding regarding the transfer of trash and recycling billing to RAWA without Council authorization.

IV. **Enforcement**

- The Board Chair announced an Executive Session to confer with counsel regarding pending litigation including appeal of Right to Know requests REQ1AMD and REQ2, the appeal of the Final Opinion and Order of Investigation #32, the Declaratory Judgment Action and appeal of the Final Opinion and Order of Investigation #34 (Docket #1320083). The Board will also confer with counsel regarding Advisory Opinion requests #31 and #32.
- The Board entered executive session at 8:05 pm and exited executive session at 9:15 pm.

V. **Closing**

- Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Susan Gibson, Chair

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