

City of Reading Charter Board

September 3, 2013 – 7:00 pm

Penn Room

Members Present: Susan Gibson, Jerry Richter, Elizabeth Stanley

Board Solicitor: Eric Smith, Esq

Members of the Public: Mr. Don Spatz, Reading Eagle

I. Administration

- The Board's next meeting will be October 1, 2013, at 7:00 pm.
- The Chair announced there has been no new Right to Know requests.
- The 2013 Charter Board budget and August invoices were reviewed. Year to date total spent is \$136,891.21.
- The Chair noted that Mr. Fegley's appointment remains pending. Mr. Anewalt's appointment remains pending dissolution of the Charter Review Commission.
- Charter Board minutes were reviewed for meeting of 8/6/13. A motion to accept minutes was made by Mr. Richter, 2nd by Ms. Stanley. The motion passed by unanimous verbal vote.
- The Board chair noted that the Board has been invited to attend a meeting of the sitting Charter Review Commission (CRC). The Board will attend the meeting of 9/18/13, 6:00 pm in the Penn Room. The Board chair will present a brief history and overview of the Board, and highlights from the 2012 Annual Report. Mr. Spatz provided public comment relating to the Charter Board appearance before the CRC.

II. Education

- No current issues

III. Advisory

- No current Issues

IV. **Enforcement**

- The Board Chair announced an Executive Session to confer with counsel regarding pending litigation including 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), and procedural matters regarding Investigations #38, #39 and 40.
- The Board entered executive session at 7:20 pm and exited executive session at 7:45 pm.
- The Board Chair additionally notes the following :
 - Complaint #40 was filed on or about August 12, 2013.
 - Argument for the local agency appeal of Investigation #34 before the Berks County Court of Common Pleas is scheduled for September 16, 2013.

V. **Closing**

- Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Susan Gibson, Chair

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