

ALASKA PUBLIC OFFICES COMMISSION
MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
APRIL 13, 2010

A special meeting of the Alaska Public Offices Commission came to order at 9:09 a.m. on Tuesday, April 13, 2010. The meeting was held at 2221 E. Northern Lights Blvd. Rm. 128, Anchorage, Alaska.

Brackets [] indicate an agenda item number and that an information packet is included in the meeting binders. Asterisk * indicates no information was included in the meeting binders.

In Attendance:

COMMISSION: Elizabeth Hickerson – Chair (Telephonically)
Kathleen Frederick – Vice Chair (Telephonically)
Shirley Dean – Commissioner (Telephonically)
Kathleen (Kate) Ballenger – Commissioner (Telephonically)
Kathleen King – Commissioner (Telephonically)

Staff: Jerry Anderson – Assistant Director
Patricia Ware – Project Administrator, Juneau Office
Jason Brandeis – Associate Attorney II
Amy H. Robinson – Associate Attorney II
Vullnet Greva – Paralegal II
Heather Hebdon – Paralegal I
Wynona Sampson – Recording Secretary

Attendees: John Ptacin – Assistant Attorney General, Dept. of Law
Michelle Toohey, Campaign Manager for Gov. Parnell (Telephonically)

ON RECORD: TIME 9:09 a.m.

Chair Hickerson called the meeting to order.

Advisory Opinion Request AO 10-07-CD, (1) Parnell for Governor’s participation in the Republican Party Convention during Legislative session; (2) Parnell for Governor’s Contribution of Campaign Funds to host a reception for Republican Convention attendees at the Governor’s Mansion.

Ms. Robinson presented staff’s proposed response to the advisory opinion request from the Parnell for Governor Campaign.

John Ptacin appeared telephonically in support of staff and to answer any questions that the Commission might have regarding the opinion request and staff’s proposed answer.

OFF RECORD 9:16 a.m.

Deliberation

ON RECORD 9:29 a.m.

The Commission deliberated on the Advisory Opinion Request AO 10-07-CD, **(1) Parnell for Governor's participation in the Republican Party Convention during Legislative session; (2) Parnell for Governor's Contribution of Campaign Funds to host a reception for Republican Convention attendees at the Governor's Mansion.**

The Commission considered and approved the staff's proposed advisory opinion by unanimous vote.

During the deliberation the Commission discussed and wished to note that the Parnell for Governor Campaign and other participants need to be aware and mindful of any implication that the Executive Ethics Act may attach to the activities described in the opinion. Secondly, the Commission noted that the burden is on any campaign that participates in the convention, including the Parnell campaign, to completely comply with the statutes governing the proposed activities.

Adjourn

OFF RECORD 9:49 a.m.