

ALASKA STATE PERSONNEL BOARD MEETING

December 15, 2008, 12:00 p.m.

Frontier Building

3601 C Street, Suite 880

Anchorage, Alaska

In person: Anchorage

Debra English, Chairperson

Alfred Tamagni, Board Member

Present by teleconference:

Laura Plenert, Board Member

Nicki Neal, Secretary to the Personnel Board

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson English called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. on December 15, 2008.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved with the addition of the following item as requested by Member Tamagni:

Alaska Police Standards Council (APSC)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for the meeting held on October 31, 2008 were moved and approved. The minutes for the meeting held on November 3, 2008 were moved and approved with a correction to the address of the meeting location.

4. ETHICS DISCLOSURE:

Board members had no disclosures to make.

5. REVIEW OF ETHICS CASES:

The board went into executive session at 12:22 p.m. to discuss pending ethics cases. The executive session concluded at 12:50 p.m.

Upon conclusion of the executive session the board moved and approved proceeding to secure contracts with the following firms for independent counsel for the purpose of investigating ethics complaints in accordance with AS 39.52.310(c).

Delaney Wiles, Inc. – Howard A. Lazar, Esq.

DeLisio Moran Geraghty & Zobel, P.C. – Michael Geraghty, Esq.

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP – Perry Grover, Esq.

Perkins Coie – Thomas Daniel, Esq.

It was agreed that as complaints are received, the Chair will assign Independent Counsel rotating through the list.

This process was approved by Vern Jones, Chief Procurement Officer, through a Limited Competition Request for Alternate Procurement (RAP).

The complaint dated 12/4/2008 will be assigned to Howard A. Lazar, Esq. If a conflict exists, it will be assigned to Thomas Daniel, Esq.

The complaint dated 12/18/08 will be assigned to Michael Geraghty, Esq. If a conflict exists, it will be assigned to Thomas Daniel, Esq.

6. ALASKA POLICE STANDARDS COUNCIL

Member Tamagni requested that Secretary Neal arrange for a briefing from the Attorney General's Office regarding the authority and responsibilities of the APSC. Member Tamagni is particularly interested in APSC's authority to investigate complaints against Police Officers and if a member of the public can appeal to the APSC if they are not satisfied with the handling of a complaint by the employing agency.

7. OTHER MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD

The board requested the following of the Secretary:

- ensure that the meeting room is a "turnkey operation" when board members arrive for a scheduled meeting;
- provide support with the generation of correspondence;
- assign a staff member to attend each meeting in person; and
- ensure a staff member is assigned to take notes and to be the point of contact when the Secretary has a conflict or is otherwise unavailable.

Member Tamagni also requested that the board secure a transcription service for the purpose of taking minutes. Secretary Neal explained that Personnel Board expenses are paid from the Division of Personnel and Labor Relations' budget and this is not an expense the division can absorb at this time.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.