

TO: Freedom of Information Commission
FROM: Thomas A. Hennick
RE: Minutes of the Commission's regular meeting of February 13, 2019

A regular meeting of the Freedom of Information Commission was held on February 13, 2019, in the Freedom of Information Hearing Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, Connecticut. The meeting convened at 2:10 p.m. with the following Commissioners present:

Commissioner Owen P. Eagan, presiding
Commissioner Jay Shaw (participated via speakerphone)
Commissioner Jonathan J. Einhorn
Commissioner Matthew Streeter

Also present were staff members, Mary E. Schwind, Victor R. Perpetua, Kathleen K. Ross, Valicia D. Harmon, Paula S. Pearlman, Matthew D. Reed, Danielle L. McGee, Cindy Cannata, and Thomas A. Hennick.

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to approve the Commission's regular meeting minutes of January 23, 2019. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

Those in attendance were informed that the Commission does not ordinarily record the remarks made at its meetings, but will do so on request.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0562](#)

Charles Marshall v. Chief, Police Department, City of Waterbury; Police Department, City of Waterbury; and City of Waterbury

Charles Marshall participated via speakerphone. Attorney Richard Scappini appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0103](#)

Vincent Larobina v. Tax Assessor, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford

Attorney Burt Rosenberg appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0323](#)

Vincent Larobina v. Corporation Counsel, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford

Attorney Burt Rosenberg appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0126](#)

Andrea Veilleux v. Janet M. Robinson, Superintendent of Schools, Stratford Public Schools; Teresa Lycoudes, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Secretary to the Board of Education, Stratford Public Schools; Susan Nicholson, Accounting Manager, Stratford Public Schools; and Stratford Public Schools

Andrea Veilleux appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Rebecca Goldberg appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were recorded digitally.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0265](#)

Tania Barnes v. Superintendent of Schools, Stratford Public Schools; Chairman, Board of Education, Stratford Public Schools; Board of Education, Stratford Public Schools; and Stratford Public Schools

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0127](#)

Linda Czaplinski v. Chairman, Planning and Zoning Commission, Town of Oxford; Planning and Zoning Commission, Town of Oxford; and Town of Oxford

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0255](#)

Stephanie Borise and Stamford Advocate v. Mayor, City of Stamford; Director of Human Resources, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to amend the Hearing Officer's Report. The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report as amended.* Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0293](#)

Jessica Stedman v. Pam Vogel, Superintendent of Schools, Regional School District #1; and Regional School District #1

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0344](#)

Gerald Scully v. Mayor, Town of Manchester; and Town of Manchester

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0409](#)

Daunne Blake v. Chief, Fire Department, City of New Haven; Fire Department, City of New Haven; and City of New Haven

Duanne Blake appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Kathleen Foster appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were recorded digitally.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0471](#)

Joseph Sastre v. Jonathan Fontneau, Chief, Police Department, City of Stamford; Police Department, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0486](#)

Tom Weik v. Chief, Morris Volunteer Fire Department; and Morris Volunteer Fire Department

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0573](#)

Mark Graves v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Willimantic; Police Department, Town of Willimantic; and Town of Willimantic

The Commissioners voted, 3-0, to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. Commissioner Shaw did not participate in this matter.

[Docket #FIC 2018-0594](#)

Mark Graves v. Chief, Police Department, Town of Willimantic;
Police Department, Town of Willimantic; and Town of
Willimantic

The Commissioners voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report.

Mary E. Schwind and Victor R. Perpetua reported on pending appeals.

Mary E. Schwind introduced new staff attorney Danielle L. McGee to members of the commission.

Mary E. Schwind reported that staff had been monitoring proposed legislation.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Thomas A. Hennick

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* See attached for amendments

AMENDMENTS

[Docket #FIC 2018-0255](#)

Stephanie Borise and Stamford Advocate v. Mayor, City of Stamford; Director of Human Resources, City of Stamford; and City of Stamford

The Hearing Officer's Report is amended as follows:

5. It is found that on May 30, 2018, [prior] **SUBSEQUENT** to the filing of the complaint in this matter, as described in paragraph 6, below, the Mayor's office issued a press release and a list of city employee earnings. It is found that the respondents provided the complainants with a copy of such list, which was responsive to their January 15th request.

11. It is found that the records requested by the complainants are public records and must be disclosed in accordance with §§1-200(5), 1-210(a), 1-211(a) and 1-212(a), G.S., **TO THE EXTENT SUCH RECORDS EXIST.**