

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

5:45 p.m., Wednesday, October 5, 2011

The regular meeting of the Personnel Committee was held at 5:45 p.m., Wednesday, October 5, 2011 in Council Chambers of City Hall, 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, South Carolina. Attending the meeting were Councilmembers Bettelli and Piening, Chair Thomas, City Administrator Tucker, Assistant to the Administrator Dziuban and City Clerk Copeland. A quorum was present to conduct business.

1. Chair Thomas called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the press and public had been duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

MOTION: Councilmember Bettelli moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 11, 2011 as submitted; Chair Thomas seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **Citizen's Comments** – None

4. **Old Business** – None

5. **New Business**

Discussion of Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Chair Thomas noted that nine (9) terms on boards and commissions are expiring at the end of 2011; one (1) of the expiring terms on ATAX, Rick Linville, has stated that he is not interested in being re-appointed. Administrator Tucker related that Mr. Linville fills a Lodging seat on the ATAX Committee, and Councilmember Bettelli explained that the state has established guidelines regarding the composition of the local ATAX advisory boards. The state requires two (2) representatives from Hospitality Lodging, two (2) representatives from Hospitality Other, one (1) representative from Cultural and two (2) representatives referred to as At-Large.

Commenting that she did not personally know all of the candidates in the pool, Administrator Tucker voiced the opinion that Melinda Mitchell was the only person that she knew could fill the seat since she has rental property on the island. Ms. Mitchell has indicated on her application that she is interested in serving on the Planning Commission, but the Committee could determine if she would consider ATAX when she is interviewed.

The Administrator informed the Committee that David and Janet Somers had contacted the City Clerk and indicated that their names should be withdrawn from consideration as they will be off-island most of the winter months. In addition, Tim Ahmuty has not responded to multiple attempts to determine whether he desires to remain in the candidate pool, but assume he continues to be interested in serving.

Resuming the discussion of the ATAX Committee, Administrator Tucker informed the Committee members that they have the ability to reclassify existing members of the Committee if they could fill another seat. The Administrator put forth David Nelson as an example of a member who could fill the Lodging seat since he is employed by the Wild Dunes resort; he

currently fills a Hospitality-Other seat. In many respects, filling a Hospitality-Other seat is easier than a Lodging seat.

Since the Committee has, in the past, expressed a need for continuity of service, as well as a desire to give candidates the opportunity to serve, Administrator Tucker informed the Committee of the following information relative to board or commission members with expiring terms:

ATAX	Sandy Ferencz is completing a first term;
BoZA	Michael Layman is completing a second term;
Code Board of Appeals	Mary Carter is completing a first term;
	William Mitchell is completing a second term;
Planning Commission	Ron Denton is completing a second term;
	Diane Oltorik is completing a first term; and
	Noel Scott is completing a second term.

Councilmember Bettelli commented that the Code Board of Appeals seldom meets; the Administrator recalled that this group has met only once in her eleven (11) years with the City. Councilmember Bettelli added that the City is required by law to have this board because it has adopted the state and national building codes. According to Administrator Tucker, this board is called upon when a request is made to deviate from a requirement in the building code, and there appears to be a justifiable reason for the deviation.

The decision for the Committee tonight is when they want to set the interviews with new candidates. After brief decision, the Committee agreed to interview the five (5) new candidates Tuesday, October 11 beginning at 6 p.m.

6. Miscellaneous Business

Next Meeting Date: 5:45 p.m., Wednesday, November 9, 2011.

7. Executive Session – not needed

8. Adjourn

MOTION: Councilmember Bettelli moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m.; Councilmember Piening seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted:

Marie Copeland
City Clerk