

MINUTES

Friday, September 28, 2007 at 3:00 PM

**Board of Ethics
Special Meeting**

2nd Floor Conference Room – City Hall
224 West Ninth Street



ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dorothy Ecker, Bill O'Connor, John Peckham, Mari Robbennolt and Lloyd Stivers

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: R. Shawn Tornow, Sioux Falls City Attorney's Office, Mike Hall, Director of Central Services and Lorie Bossman, Recording Clerk.

Board Chair, Dorothy Ecker, called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mari Robbennolt and seconded by Lloyd Stivers to approve the minutes from the Quarterly Meeting of September 25, 2007. Five yeases. Motion carried.

BUSINESS OR ISSUES BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

1. REQUEST FOR ADVISORY OPINION FILED 9-24-07 by Jerry LaQua

A motion was made by John Peckham and seconded by Lloyd Stivers that the entire court file provided to the Board of Ethics be made part of the record. Five yeases. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bill O'Connor and seconded by Lloyd Stivers that Council Member Litz was in violation of Section 2.05 of the City Charter for knowingly holding other intra City offices while he was a current City Council Member. Five yeases. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bill O'Connor and seconded by Mari Robbennolt that there was an indirect financial interest that was not disclosed to the City Council regarding Council Member Litz's employment with the Sioux Empire Housing Partnership. Five yeases. Motion carried.

A motion was made by John Peckham and seconded by Lloyd Stivers that this matter be kept as an Advisory Opinion rather than initiating a formal complaint. Five yeases. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORT

Mike Hall reported that he had met with the Human Resources Director to discuss ethics training for City employees. Mike will prepare training material for the review of the Board of Ethics. Training will be conducted for management (exempt) employees before the end of 2007 and training for nonexempt employees will be held in the first quarter of 2008.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED

****No future meeting date was set****

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by John Peckham and seconded by Lloyd Stivers to adjourn the meeting at 4:10 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Clerk