

**The Accountability, Conduct, and Ethics Commission Meeting Minutes**

July 6, 2017

11:00AM

**Members Present:** Tonya Johnson, Esquire, Dr. Ronald Stone, Jesse Torisky, Esquire, William F. Ward, Esquire

**Solicitor Present:** Ted Trbovich

**Support staff present:** Jessica Sharp

**Members of the public:** none

**Called to order:** By: Chairperson Tonya Johnson

Roll Call: Quorum of 4 members

**Approval of the Minutes of the April 6, 2017 Meeting:**

Motion to Approve: W. Ward

Seconded by: J. Torisky

**Old Business:** In regard to Complaint #30: A second letter was sent to County Council and the County Executive, regarding the recommendations by The Commission. Without a response by either party further action will be taken by The Commission and will be discussed in the Executive Session.

**New Business:** A motion was made by W. Ward and seconded by J. Torisky to determine if we have the scope and authority to hire an investigator on an as needed bases on the existing budget.

**Executive Session:** In: 11:30am

Out: 11:36pm

**Announcements:**

An executive session was held.

A conference call will be scheduled in approximately 30 days to discuss any response or further action regarding Case #30.

“On June 6, 2017, Mr. William (Bill) Graham, Deputy Director of the Department of Human Resources, received the county’s Exemplary Employee Award. Nominated by Human Resources Director Laura Zaspel, Bill is being recognized in the category of efficiency and productivity. A dedicated and committed employee of the department since 2007, Bill has - as a primary role - the operations of the county’s large and complex array of benefit programs. His efforts are critical to the well-being of every employee, as well as to the financial health of the county as a whole. Bill tackles every day with an unparalleled work ethic, a highly professional presence, a positive “will do” attitude, sincere compassion and empathy for every person that he speaks with, a healthy dose of humor, and a whole lot of smarts. He demonstrates a true understanding of every big-picture, but analyzes the myriad of details necessary to carry them all out.

Deputy Director Graham was surprised during a department meeting by the County Executive, County Manager and members of the administration and department. He was formally presented with a joint county proclamation on behalf of the County Executive, Council Member Cindy Kirk and the full Council acknowledging the recognition of his work.”

*(Allegheny News, Fitzgerald Submits Six Bills for Consideration at July 5 County Council Meeting)*

The Accountability, Conduct, and Ethics Commission would like to thank Mr. William Graham for his continued support.

The next meeting of the ACE Commission will be held on October 5, 2017 at 11:00AM

**Motion to adjourn:** By: Chairperson Tonya Johnson

Seconded by: Dr. Stone