

Pierce County Ethics Commission

Minutes of the May 10, 2023, meeting

Online open public meeting at Wheelock Branch – Tacoma Public Library & via Zoom

Call to Order: 4:32 p.m.

Quorum Call:

 X Rob Batey X Blake Patton X Lisa Petorak X Michael Stewart

If not present, minutes shall note any unexcused absence.

Hearing Officer Present:

 X Judge Judy Jasprica

Commission Legal Advisor present:

 X Sarah Eaquinto

Approval of Agenda: The Commission approved the agenda.

Approval of Minutes: The Commission approved the minutes of the April 12, 2023, meeting as amended to show both Hearing Officers Judge Jasprica and Judge Culpepper were present.

Old Business:

Complaint 2023-01: Hearing Officer Judge Jasprica found no probable cause. The report will be forwarded to the Executive Administrative Services Manager.

New Business:

Hearing Officer Contract Update: Beginning January 2024, the Pierce County Risk Department will require the Hearing Officer to carry the following three insurances, of which Pierce County is to be named an additional insured:

1. Commercial Autobody Liability Insurance
2. Commercial General Liability Insurance
3. Professional Liability Insurance

Upon being notified of this new requirement, Hearing Officer Judge Jasprica contacted her insurance carrier and requested a quote. The Commission agreed as this was a new condition to fulfill the job requirements, the additional required insurance should be a billable expense and will be addressed as such in the contract.

Mail Received: None received.

Informal Inquiries: None received.

Advisory Opinions: None requested.

Public Input: None.

Executive Session: None.

Adjournment: 4:54 PM

Next Meeting: June 14, 2023 @ 4:30PM @ **Wheelock** Branch/Tacoma Library + Online Zoom Conference Call.

The public is welcome to engage the Commission for all prescribed activities via the channels described on the web page.