

**City of Atlanta Board of Ethics Meeting
Minutes of July 21, 2011**

The monthly meeting of the City of Atlanta Board of Ethics was called to order by Chair Caroline Johnson Tanner at 6:10 p.m in the City Council Committee Room 2, 55 Trinity Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Attending the meeting were board members Brent Adams; Shukura Ingram; and Charmaine Ward. Board members Carol Snype Crawford, Cathy Daniels, and MaryAnne Gaunt were absent. Staff members Ginny Looney and Sherry Dawson also attended.

MINUTES

1. The Board approved the minutes of the May 19, 2011, meeting on a motion by Ms. Ingram and a second by Ms. Ward.

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE HEARINGS

2. No Appeals Filed - Nonfilers

11-FD-011. In the Matter of Oladele Olagbegi

Following evidence presented by Ms. Looney and a discussion by the Board, Ms. Ingram made a motion to adopt Ms. Looney's recommendation to uphold the administrative decision finding that Mr. Olagbegi violated section 2-814(e) of the Code of Ethics by failing to file the 2011 Financial Disclosure Statement by the filing deadline without reasonable cause, impose an administrative sanction of \$500, issue a public reprimand, and recommend to the City that it consider him ineligible for rehire for one year and require him to file his statement and pay the fine owed prior to his reemployment by the City. Mr. Adams seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

11-FD-006. In the Matter of Maurice Hill

Following evidence presented by Ms. Looney and discussion by the Board, Ms. Ingram made a motion to uphold the administrative decision and find that Mr. Hill violated section 2-814(e) of the Code of Ethics by failing to file the 2011 Financial Disclosure Statement by the filing deadline without reasonable cause, impose an administrative sanction of \$500, issue a public reprimand, and recommend to the City that it consider him ineligible for rehire for one year and require him to file his statement and pay the fine owed prior to his reemployment by the City. Ms. Ward seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

3. No Appeals Filed – Late Filer

11-FD-009: In the Matter of Larry Gardner

Following evidence presented by Ms. Looney, Mr. Adams moved to uphold the administrative decision and find that Mr. Gardner failed to file the 2011 Financial Disclosure Statement by the filing deadline without reasonable cause, impose an administrative sanction of \$50, issue a public reprimand, and recommend that the City consider him ineligible for rehire for one year and require him to pay the fine owed prior to his reemployment by the City. Ms. Ward seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

LEGISLATION

4. Ethics Officer's term of office

Ms. Tanner reported that she had sent a memorandum on behalf of the Board to the City Council recommending no change in code section 2-805, which states the Board shall appoint the Ethics Officer for a term not to exceed six years.

ETHICS OFFICER'S REPORT

5. 2010 Integrity Line Report

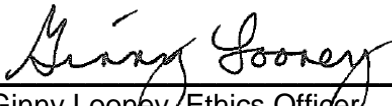
Ms. Looney presented the annual report to the Board showing that the Integrity Line has received 118 calls in 2010, closed 138 cases, and had 49 cases open at the end of the year. Ms. Ward left the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

OPERATIONS

6. Search Process for new Ethics Officer

Ms. Tanner announced that former board chair John Lewis, Jr. has agreed to chair the search committee to interview and recommend candidates for Ethics Officer and asked board members to nominate persons to serve on the search committee.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.



Ginny Looney, Ethics Officer
Approved August 18, 2011