

Minutes of the Fairfax County Consumer Protection Commission

November 15, 2016

7:30 PM Conference 4/5
Government Center
12000 Government Center Pkwy.
Fairfax, Virginia 22035
Chairman Fee, presiding

Attendance:

Commissioners: Callender, Fee, Gulakowski,
Hargraves, Kirk, Roark, Rosier, Woodruff

Absent:

Commissioners: Belkowitz, Hine, Kazmi,
Nguyen

Staff:

Michael S. Liberman, Director
Cable and Consumer Services
Rebecca Makely, Director
Consumer Services Division
Susan Hafeli, Senior Utilities Analyst
Public Utilities Branch
Susan C. Jones, Branch Chief
Consumer Affairs

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by Chairman Fee.

Minutes

The minutes for October 18, 2016, meeting were approved.

Report of the Chairman

Chairman Fee spoke about his experience dealing with a company about a gift card he won and the card was not activated.

Report of the Director

Director Liberman spoke about local results from the 2016 election. The three bond referenda passed and the meals tax referendum was not approved.

Commission Matters

Commissioner Gulakowski had no matters to bring before the commission.

Commissioner Callender had no matters to bring before the commission.

Commissioner Hargraves disclosed Samsung is a client and if anyone had issues with Samsung products, that information is provided on their website.

Commissioner Kirk had no matters to bring before the commission.

Commissioner Woodruff had no matters to bring before the commission.

Commissioner Roark had no matters to bring before the commission.

Commissioner Rosier had no matters to bring before the commission.

Old Business

There was no old business before the commission.

New Business

Susan Hafeli, Senior Utilities Analyst, Public Utilities Branch, explained the Department was requesting authority to advertise a public hearing on a taxicab company transfer of control application filed by Paul Wallace Management, Inc. Ms. Hafeli discussed the application overview, anticipated timeline for the hearing, the applicable code provision, and the evaluation factors such as areas of the county to be served, conformance of proposed operational facilities with zoning and legal requirements, financial status, vehicles to be used, and the applicant's character, responsibility, and related business experience.

Chairman Fee made the motion for the CPC authorize a public hearing in January 2017 for the consideration of a transfer of taxicab certificates held by Paul Wallace Management, Inc. Commissioner Kirk seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The next CPC meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. Nominations for the 2017 CPC Board will be discussed.

The meeting ended at 8:06 PM.