

**MINUTES OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY  
TENANT-LANDLORD COMMISSION**

December 15, 2011

Fairfax County Government Center  
12000 Government Center Parkway  
Fairfax, Virginia 22035  
Conference Room 9  
Chair Liff presiding

Attendees:

Commissioners Liff, Kocsis,  
McEneaney, Geier-Smith, Panettieri, McRae

Absentees:

Kiffney, Vogl, Gomez

Staff Attending:

Michael S. Liberman, Director  
Cable and Consumer Services  
Susan C. Jones, Branch Chief  
Consumer Affairs Branch  
Vee Johnson, Staff Liaison  
Consumer Affairs Branch

The meeting was called to order at 6:50p.m. by Chair Liff.

**Minutes**

- A motion was made by Commissioner Kocsis and seconded by Commissioner Panettieri to approve the minutes from the November 17, 2011, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**Reports**

- Chair Liff will sign a letter to be mailed to former Commissioner Denton thanking him for his service on behalf of the Commission.

**Director's Report**

- Director Liberman had no matters to bring before the Commission.

**Committee Report**

- Commissioner Geier-Smith did not have a report. The Consumer Focus program *Bed Bugs* will continue.

## **Staff Report**

- Investigator Thompson met with the Culmore Community Group on Tuesday, December 13, 2011. The services provided by Consumer Affairs was reviewed. Liaison Johnson will meet with tenants at Bailey's Crossroads elementary school on Wednesday, December 21, 2011, to provide information and determine what intervention is needed.

## **Commission Matters**

- The calendar was reviewed. There were no changes or additions to the calendar.
- Commissioner Geier-Smith expressed appreciation regarding how the County's Housing Choice Voucher program is administered. She requested that staff thank the Department of Housing for their efficiency in offering this program. Director Liberman will share Commissioner Geier-Smith's sentiments.
- Commissioner Kocsis shared an article about the use of programmable thermostats with heat pumps. The information was discussed as it relates to the *Energy Saving Tips for Renters* document. No changes or adjustments will be made to this document based on the information presented.
- Commissioner Panettieri's appointment expires on 1/31/2012. She will notify Supervisor Smyth of her desire to be reappointed.

## **New Business**

- In accordance with Article IV of the Bylaws, the following slate of candidates was nominated:

Tenant Vice-Chair	Commissioner Panettieri
Landlord Vice-Chair	Commissioner Kocsis
Secretary	Commissioner Geier-Smith

This slate passed unanimously. The election will be conducted at the February meeting.

- Information submitted by Mr. Fernandes was discussed. Continued discussion was deferred until the January 19, 2012, meeting.

## **Old Business**

None

## **Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Panettieri and seconded by Commissioner McRae to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.