

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

February 16, 2012

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

Attendees:

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

Absentees:

Vogl, Gomez, McRae

Staff Attending:

Susan C. Jones, Branch Chief  
Consumer Affairs Branch  
Vee Johnson, Staff Liaison  
Consumer Affairs Branch

Guests:

Dave Reidenbach, Branch Chief  
Regulation and Licensing Branch  
Heni Stein McCartney, Investigator  
Regulation and Licensing Branch  
P.D. Le, Utilities Analyst  
Public Utilities Branch

The meeting was called to order at 7:30p.m. by Chair Liff.

**Minutes**

- A motion was made by Commissioner Kocsis and seconded by Commissioner Panettieri to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2012, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**Reports**

- Chair Liff discussed an article she read in the Washington Post about a lease checklist for renters. She facilitated a discussion regarding the information in the article.

**Director's Report**

- Branch Chief Jones introduced P.D. Le. She is the recent staff addition to the Public Utilities Branch. The Commissioners introduced themselves.

## **Committee Report**

- Commissioner Geier-Smith did not have a report. The program regarding bed bugs will continue.

## **Staff Report**

- National Consumer Protection Week is March 5-12th. The Consumer Affairs branch is offering workshops and learning opportunities for Fairfax county residents all week. An event schedule was provided to the Commissioners and their attendance encouraged.

## **Commission Matters**

- The calendar was reviewed. There were no changes or additions.
- Commissioner Panettieri was reappointed to the Commission. Her appointment expires in 2014.

## **New Business**

- Election of candidates.

In accordance with Article IV of the Bylaws, an election of the following slate of candidates was conducted:

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

A motion was made by Commissioner McEneaney and seconded by Commissioner Kiffney to accept the slate of candidates as presented. The slate was unanimously elected by the Commission. The term of each office will begin in March and continue until the next annual election.

- A presentation was requested from the Public Utilities Branch. Commissioners are interested in information about ratio utility billing and efficiency studies. Staff will extend an invitation to the Utilities Branch.
- An updated presentation was requested from the Regulation and Licensing Branch regarding the impact of the new trespass towing regulations adopted by the Board of Supervisors on January 24, 2012. It was suggested that an update be provided in November. Staff will follow up with an invitation for this presentation.

- Dave Reidenbach and Henri Stein McCartney provided an overview of the standards, practices, and regulations needed regarding the Massage Industry in Fairfax County. The Regulation and Licensing Branch (RALB), has partnered with other local, state, and federal agencies to identify establishments that operate outside of the law. Both tenants and landlords were encouraged to be aware of how this industry operates since many are set up in residential neighborhoods. Questions or issues of concerns should be reported to the RALB.

**Old Business**

- There was no old business.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Kiffney and seconded by Commissioner Geier-Smith to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:27p.m.