

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

November 15, 2007

Fairfax County Government Center,
12000 Government Center Pkwy.
Fairfax, Virginia 22035
Conference Room #8
Chair Liff, presiding

Attendees:

Commissioners: Geier-Smith, Kocsis, McRae,
Rosier, Liff, Gomez, Aho

Absentees:

Walde

Staff Attending:

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:30p.m. by Chair Liff.

Minutes

The October 18, 2007, minutes were amended to include all attendees. The minutes were approved as amended.

Reports

- Chair Liff thanked the Commissioners for their flexibility in rescheduling the meeting time so they could attend a training workshop offered by the Office of the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors.
- **Committee reports** - There were no Committee reports.

Staff reports

- Copies of the Spanish *Tenant Resource* Sheet were distributed to the Commissioners.
- The letter requesting recognition of Liaison Wagner remains under consideration. Staff will notify Commissioners when it will be considered by the Board of Supervisors so members will have the opportunity to attend the meeting.
- No questions or comments regarding the statistical reports.

Commission Matters

- No issues regarding the attendance record.
- No appointments have been made for the citizen and tenant member vacancies. According to Director Liberman, no action will be taken until the new Board of Supervisors is seated in January 2008.

Old Business

1. Bylaw
 - The changes suggested by County Attorney McGettrick were reviewed and a vote taken. The Bylaws were approved by a majority vote. They will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for consideration.
2. Tenant-Landlord program for Cable Channel 16
 - The Channel 16 Advisory Committee did not have a report.
 - The memo suggested by Commissioner Aho informing the Board of Supervisors of the Consumer Focus program on Channel 16 is being reviewed by Director Liberman. The memo will be forwarded after approval by Director Liberman.
3. Trespass Towing Letter
 - Staff obtained an update regarding the proposed amendments to the Trespass Towing ordinance from Branch Chief Reidenbach. Amendments and changes continue to be discussed and negotiated between the industry and state and local governments. The Commission will be notified when another review of the ordinance is needed for their input and consideration.

New Business

Speakers for upcoming meetings

- The Commissioners requested an invitation be extended to the Enhanced Code Enforcement Strike Team for the January 17, 2008, meeting. Staff will schedule.
- The Commissioners agreed to convene the December meeting at 6:30p.m. in order to meet for a holiday dinner at Bravos restaurant around 7 p.m. Staff will make reservations for the Commissioners.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:50p.m.