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SOUTH DAKOTA OPEN MEETINGS COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

December 31, 2020

Members participating via teleconference: Mark Reedstrom, Grant County State's Attorney (Chair); Cassie Wendt, Butte County State's Attorney; Katelynn Hoffman, Turner County State's Attorney and Alexis Tracy, Clay County State's Attorney. Steve Blair and Jenna McFarlane, Office of the Attorney General, assisted the Commission. Emily Sovell, Sully County State's Attorney (Co-Chair) was absent.

Chair Reedstrom called the meeting to order at approximately 3:00 p.m. Ms. Tracy moved to approve the proposed agenda; Ms. Wendt seconded. A roll call vote was held: Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Tracy, Ms. Wendt, and Chair Reedstrom all voted aye.

A time was provided for public comment as required by SDCL 1-25-1; no member of the public provided comment to the Commission.

**The following is a summary (not verbatim) of the matters discussed.**

October 23, 2020 and December 18, 2020 minutes

Ms. Wendt moved to approve the draft minutes of the October 23, 2020 and December 18, 2020, meetings. Ms. Hoffman seconded. A roll call vote was held: Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Tracy, Ms. Wendt, and Chair Reedstrom all voted aye.

In the Matter of Open Meeting Complaint 20-01, Board of Trustees for the City of Ward

The Commission considered proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law drafted regarding this matter. Ms. Tracy made a motion to approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as drafted which was seconded by Ms. Wendt. A roll call vote was held: Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Tracy, Ms. Wendt, and Chair Reedstrom all voted aye.

In the Matter of Open Meeting Complaint 20-02, Belle Fourche City Council

The Commission considered proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law drafted regarding this matter. Ms. Hoffman made a motion to approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as drafted which was seconded by

Ms. Tracy. A roll call vote was held: Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Tracy, and Chair Reedstrom all voted aye. Ms. Wendt abstained.

In the Matter of Open Meeting Complaint 20-03, Yankton County Commission

The Commission considered proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law drafted regarding this matter. Ms. Wendt made a motion to approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as drafted which was seconded by Ms. Tracy. A roll call vote was held: Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Tracy, Ms. Wendt, and Chair Reedstrom all voted aye.

In the Matter of Open Meeting Complaint 20-04, Pierre City Commission

The Commission considered proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law drafted regarding this matter. Ms. Tracy made a motion to approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as drafted which was seconded by Ms. Hoffman. A roll call vote was held: Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Tracy, Ms. Wendt, and Chair Reedstrom all voted aye.

Scheduling future meetings

A discussion was held on scheduling the Commission's next meeting.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Tracy seconded by Ms. Wendt, at approximately 3:15 p.m. Roll call was made with Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Tracy, Ms. Wendt and Chair Reedstrom voting aye and the Commission adjourned.

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Emily Sovell, Chair  
On behalf of the Open Meeting Commission