

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS
SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 24, 2013**

ATTENDANCE: AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia, Chair; Council President Thomas McCarthy; Denese Taylor-Moye; Jack Banta

OTHERS: Steve McKenzie

CALL TO ORDER.

Chairwoman Vizzo-Paniccia called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes of December 27, 2012 (Special Meeting)

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 27, 2012 SPECIAL MEETING.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

157-11 Appointment of Steven O. McKenzie (R) to the Ethics Commission.

Mr. McKenzie came forward and greeted the Committee members. He said he grew up in Bridgeport and graduated from Porter and Chester Institute. He has been working as an architect in the local area for a number of years. Mr. McKenzie said that he had started to become active with the NRZ groups. His children attend the Bridgeport schools. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and his business is in Bridgeport.

He said that with his education, his background and the collaborative efforts over the years, he feels that this is a wonderful opportunity to serve.

Council Member Taylor-Moye said that it was clear that Mr. McKenzie was well qualified, but she wished to know if Mr. McKenzie would be able to attend the meetings. He replied that he would put them on his schedule and attend.

Council President McCarthy asked him to describe the Ethic Commission in one word. Mr. McKenzie said it was "Integrity." He said that he was from Jamaica and that growing up under English rule, he learned that integrity was tremendously important.

Council President McCarthy stated for the record that Mr. McKenzie's taxes were up to date and he had no criminal record. Mr. McKenzie said that he was still affiliated with Sikorsky and they have very strict protocols about issues like that.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BANTA MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 157-11
APPOINTMENT OF STEVEN O. MCKENZIE (R) TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION
MR. MCKENZIE TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION
** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY SECONDED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Chairwoman Vizzo-Paniccia said that the council would be meeting in February and they would be voting on Mr. McKenzie's appointment.

ADJOURNMENT.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO ADJOURN.
** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE SECONDED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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