

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting
October 4, 2017**

The Connecticut Real Estate Commission convened on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. in Hearing Room J, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT 06103

Commissioners Present: Joseph B. Castonguay, Acting Chairman (Broker – 2nd District)
Lana K. Ogrodnik (Broker – 5th District)
Amy Bergquist (Broker – 1st District)
Linda C. Burnham (Salesperson – 2nd District)
Peter L. Gray (Salesperson – 4th District)
Morag L. Vance (Public Member – 4th District)
Theodore F. Ells, Esq. (Public Member- 3rd District)

Commissioners Absent: None

Commission Vacancy: Public Member (1)

Attorney General's Office: None

DCP Staff Present: Kelly Harvey Karen Perham-Lippman, Deputy Commissioner
Paulette Annon Richard M. Hurlburt, Director
Robin Washbond William Zenga

Public Present: Beth Mecteau

SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBER, PETER L. GRAY

Attorney Paulette Annon swore in Peter L. Gray as a new member of the Connecticut Real Estate Commission.

The Commission members introduced themselves and congratulated Mr. Gray on his appointment.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Burnham, Commissioner Bergquist 2nd, and the motion carried to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2017 Connecticut Real Estate Commission meeting. Commissioners Ogrodnik, Ells and Gray abstained. Commissioner Vance was not present for the vote.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

None

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Colin Campbell – Application for Real Estate Salesperson license

Mr. Campbell was not present at 9:32 A.M. Attorney Annon informed the Commission that proper notice of this meeting was sent to Mr. Campbell.

It was moved by Commissioner Ells, Commissioner Gray 2nd, and the motion carried to deny his application for a Real Estate salesperson license. Commissioner Vance abstained.

REQUEST FOR WAIVER

Patricia Groves – Seeking waiver of Broker application fee

Ms. Groves did not appear at today's meeting and Examiner Kelly Harvey indicated that there was no application to present to the Commission. Examiner Harvey stated that by Statute the Commission does not have the authority to waive an application fee.

The Commission took no action on this matter.

NEW BUSINESS

2018-2020 Mandatory Course Topic: Agency

Ms. Harvey provided copies of the Connecticut 2008-2010 Buyer Agency mandatory course to the Commission for review. Examiner Harvey reported that recent field audits of several offices revealed that buyer agency agreements are not being properly executed. People are being shown properties without representation agreements in place. Ms. Harvey stated that the Department recommends reintroducing this course as a mandatory course requirement. Commissioner Ogrodnik will arrange a meeting of the education committee to review the course.

Waiver of 2016-2018 Continuing Education Requirements for licensed Commission Members

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the motion carried to waive the 2016-2018 continuing education requirements for licensed members serving on the Real Estate Commission. Only Public Members (Commissioners Vance and Ells) voted on this matter.

2018 Real Estate Commission Meeting Dates:

February 7, April 4, June 6, August 1, October 3, December 5

The Commission reviewed the 2018 meeting dates.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

- The Commission and Department staff discussed Commissioner Vance’s request to change the meeting time from 9:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the motion carried unanimously to change the meeting time to 10:00 a.m. effective with the December 6, 2017 meeting.
- Richard M. Hurlburt, Director of Occupational and Professional Licensing, informed the Commission that due to the elimination of the Trade Practices Division, the Real Estate and Appraisal Examiners, Kelly Harvey and Linda Kieft-Robitaille and their supervisor, William Zenga, are now assigned to the Occupational and Professional Licensing Division.
- Attorney Annon introduced Deputy Commissioner Karen Perham-Lippman to the Commission.
- Deputy Commissioner Perham-Lippman discussed Department staffing in light of the budget constraints.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Bergquist, Commissioner Burnham 2nd, and the motion carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Washbond
Commission Secretary

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860)706-1202.

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The next meeting of this Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 10:00 a.m., in Hearing Room J, 450 Columbus Blvd, Hartford, CT 06103