

TO: Freedom of Information Commission
FROM: Thomas A. Hennick
RE: Minutes of the Commission's regular meeting of November 17, 2021

A regular meeting of the Freedom of Information Commission was held on November 17, 2021. Due to public health concerns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission meeting of November 17, 2021 was conducted telephonically. The meeting convened at 2:09 p.m. with the following Commissioners present:

Commissioner Owen P. Eagan, presiding
Commissioner Jonathan J. Einhorn
Commissioner Matthew Streeter
Commissioner Christopher P. Hankins
Commissioner Lenny T. Winkler
Commissioner Stephen Fuzesi Jr.

Also present were staff members, Colleen M. Murphy, Mary E. Schwind, Kathleen K. Ross, Valicia D. Harmon, Paula S. Pearlman, Danielle L. McGee, Matthew D. Reed, C. Zack Hyde, Jennifer F. Miller, Cindy Cannata, Linda Fasciano and Thomas A. Hennick.

The Commissioners voted, 5-0, to approve the Commission's regular meeting minutes of October 27, 2021. Commissioner Winkler abstained.

Those in attendance were informed that the October 27, 2021 regular meeting of the Commission was being recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0368](#) Jose Melendez v. Christine Perra Rapillo, Chief Public Defender, State of Connecticut, Office of Chief Public Defender; and State of Connecticut, Office of Chief Public Defender

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0409](#) Jonathan Wilson v. Rollin Cook, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Correction; and State of Connecticut, Department of Correction

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2021-0082](#)

Troy Perry v. Jason Thody, Chief, Police Department, City of Hartford; Police Department, City of Hartford; and City of Hartford

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0133](#)

Joseph R. Sastre v. Brandon Robertson, Town Manager, Town of Avon; and Town of Avon

Joseph Sastre appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Michael Harrington appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0210](#)

Elaine Papas v. Executive Director of Human Resources, Hartford Public Schools; Executive Director of Internal Investigation and Security, Hartford Public Schools; Labor Relations Information Specialist, Hartford Public Schools; and Hartford Public Schools

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0451](#)

Altia Lawrence-Bynum v. Water Pollution Control Authority, City of Waterbury; and City of Waterbury

Altia Lawrence-Bynum appeared on her own behalf. Attorney Richard Scappini appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0462](#)

Gregg Jerolman v. Superintendent of Schools, Branford Public Schools; and Branford Public Schools

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0522](#)

Gregg Jerolman v. Superintendent of Schools, Branford Public Schools; and Branford Public Schools

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0463](#)

Nancy Chapman v. Chair, Oak Hills Park Authority, City of Norwalk; and Oak Hills Park Authority, City of Norwalk

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0500](#)

Patrick Gaynor v. Corporation Counsel, Department of Law, City of Meriden; Department of Law, City of Meriden; and City of Meriden

Patrick Gaynor appeared on his own behalf. Attorney Christopher Clark appeared on behalf of the respondents. The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2020-0506](#)

Tom Curran v. Chief, Police Department, City of Shelton; Police Department, City of Shelton; and City of Shelton

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

[Docket #FIC 2021-0058](#)

John Hernandez v. Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; and State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

The Commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report. The proceedings were digitally recorded.

Colleen M. Murphy and Danielle L. McGee reported on pending appeals.

Colleen M. Murphy reported that staff had begun testing new software that will allow two FOI hearings to be conducted simultaneously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.