### ST. MARY'S COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION St. Mary's County Chesapeake Building Minutes of December 7, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Dan Carney, Chair Karin Bailey John Minichino, III
	Sean Rogers David Willenborg, Alternate
	Diane Gleissner, Recorder Wilmer R. Ticer, Legal Counsel for the Ethics Commission

## **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Elizabeth Long (excused)

# CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Carney at 2:00 p.m.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

<u>Next Meeting:</u> The next meeting of the St. Mary's County Ethics Commission will be held on Monday, January 4, 2016 in the Commissioner's Meeting Room located in the Chesapeake Building at 6:00p.m.

**<u>Review/Approve Minutes</u>**: A motion was made by Mr. Carney, seconded by Mr. Rogers, and unanimously adopted to approve the minutes of November 2, 2015.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

<u>Advisory Opinion #15-002</u>: A motion was made by Ms. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Minichino, and unanimously adopted to have Mr. Ticer draft a letter stating that the Ethics Commission agrees with actions stated in paragraph two of the letter received by the requester regarding recusing oneself, but felt giving an opinion is premature until a final decision is made in the hiring process.

**<u>Complaint #15-001</u>**: A motion was made by Ms. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Willenborg and unanimously adopted to table the complaint until January 4, 2016 to give the Ethics Commission a chance to review a portion of the Commissioner's meeting of November 3, 2015, that contains information regarding the complaint.

**Member Update:** With Ms. Long's second term expiring December 31, 2015, the Commissioners of St. Mary's County appointed Mr. Willenborg to serve as a regular member. His appointment starts on January 1, 2016. Ms. Gleissner will continue to advertise for an alternate member to take his place.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Elections:** A motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Bailey and unanimously adopted to table elections until the January 4, 2015 meeting so that Mr. Willenborg would be able to take part in the discussion. Elections:

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Minichino, and unanimously adopted to adjourn the meeting. The St. Mary's County Ethics Commission meeting was adjourned at 2:48 p.m.