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APPEARANCES:

Chairman Jim Hughes
Commissioner Jodie M. Taylor
Commissioner Karen L. Gillmor
Executive Director Tim Adams
Director of Adjudication Tom Connor
Chief Legal Counsel Jim Burkart

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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CHAIRMAN HUGHES: Good morning. This is the Ohio Industrial Commission special meeting. Today's date is May 13, 2021. This is Chairman Jim Hughes, and this special meeting of the Ohio Industrial Commission is now called to order. This meeting is being conducted telephonically and is being streamed on the Ohio Industrial Commission YouTube channel. The link to listen to our meetings is available on our public website. This meeting is being conducted in the format as a precaution against the spread of the Coronavirus Covid-19 in accordance with Substitute House Bill 404 signed into law by Governor Mike DeWine effective on November 22, 2020, which extended the time period in which public bodies may hold remote meetings.

The purpose of the special meeting is limited to the following; approval of 2019, 2020 and 2021 Ohio Industrial Commission meeting minutes ascribed from in-person meetings or audio recordings of meetings held through the Commission's YouTube channel. The meeting minutes being considered are for in-person meetings held April 10, 2019; April 24, 2019; September 10, 2019; October 29, 2019

1 and March 12, 2020, and for meetings held
2 telephonically through the Ohio Industrial
3 Commission's YouTube channel on April 15, 2020;
4 June 3, 2020; September 14, 2020; October 28, 2020;
5 January 20, 2021 and March 22, 2021.

6 During this meeting it is important
7 that prior to speaking each participant introduce
8 themselves by stating name and title. This is so
9 the record accurately reflects the proceedings and
10 the public is properly informed.

11 I now ask our Executive Director,
12 Mr. Tim Adams, to call the roll.

13 MR. ADAMS: This is Tim Adams,
14 Executive Director of the Ohio Industrial
15 Commission. As I call your name, please restate
16 your name and affirm your presence.

17 Commissioner Karen Gillmor.

18 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: Commissioner
19 Karen Gillmor. Here.

20 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner
21 Jodie Taylor.

22 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Commissioner
23 Jodie Taylor. Here.

24 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jim Hughes.

25 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Jim Hughes,

1 present.

2 This is Chairman Hughes. Let the
3 record show that a quorum is present and now the
4 floor is open to discuss approval of the meeting
5 minutes that were referenced in the introduction.
6 During discussion, please remember to state your
7 name prior to speaking. The first order of
8 business, as we talked about, was the meeting
9 minutes of April 10, 2019, and April 24, 2019.

10 As I was appointed to the Commission
11 by the Governor effective July 1, 2019, I will
12 not -- I will abstain from voting on the meeting
13 minutes, as well as any discussion of that. I will
14 ask my two colleagues to then take it regarding
15 these two minutes to see if they have any discussion
16 on those minutes or if they'd like to make a motion
17 regarding the minutes of April 10, 2019, and
18 April 24, 2019.

19 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is
20 Commissioner Taylor. I will make a motion to
21 approve the meeting minutes that were attached to
22 the special meeting agenda, and those dates are
23 April 10, 2019, and April 24, 2019.

24 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: This is
25 Commissioner Gillmor. I second the motion.

1 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Is there any
2 discussion from anyone?

3 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: Nope. I have
4 no discussion. This is Commissioner Gillmor.

5 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: I will now call
6 the -- it has been properly moved and seconded.
7 I'll now call to question those minutes ascribed in
8 Commissioner Taylor, as well as seconded by
9 Commissioner Gillmor's motion. I'll ask our
10 Executive Director, Mr. Tim Adams, to please call
11 the role. And I apologize. I should have said this
12 is Chairman Jim Hughes.

13 Mr. Adams.

14 MR. ADAMS: This is Tim Adams,
15 Executive Director of the Ohio Industrial
16 Commission. As I call your name, please restate
17 your name and state your vote.

18 Commissioner Karen Gillmor.

19 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: Commissioner
20 Karen Gillmor. Yes.

21 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jodie Taylor.

22 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Commissioner
23 Jodie Taylor. Yes.

24 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jim Hughes.

25 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: I will abstain.

1 The motion as receiving two, the
2 majority to pass, the motion is carried on those two
3 meeting minutes.

4 I'll next bring up the other meeting
5 minutes that we have, which are September 10, 2019;
6 October 29, 2019; and March 12, 2020. Is there any
7 discussion on those three meeting minutes of any of
8 the Commissioners?

9 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: This is
10 Commissioner Gillmor. Mr. Chairman, we need a
11 motion before we can discuss.

12 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: Thank you. This is
13 Jim Hughes. Thank you, Commissioner Gillmor. I
14 will move for approval of those meeting minutes
15 September 10, 2019; October 29, 2019; and
16 March 12, 2020. I'll properly move. Is there a
17 second to my motion?

18 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: This is
19 Commissioner Gillmor. I second it.

20 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: Thank you,
21 Commissioner Gillmor.

22 Now it's been properly moved and
23 properly seconded on moving for approval of those
24 three minutes. Is there any discussion on those
25 three meetings by any of the Commissioners? If not,

1 this is Chairman Jim Hughes. I ask that
2 Mr. Tim Adams --

3 I'm sorry, Commissioner Gillmor. Or
4 Commissioner -- go ahead, Commissioner Taylor.

5 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: I'm sorry. This
6 is Commissioner Taylor. I was waiting to see if
7 Commissioner Gillmor had any discussion.

8 The only discussion I have is -- I'm
9 trying to get to it. On the March 12, 2020, meeting
10 minutes, and I can't tell the page. It's toward the
11 bottom. It's where I was discussing with Mr. Connor
12 about hearing spikes and backlogs. And Mr. Connor
13 answered about the term spike is no longer in the
14 law, and we were talking about whether they would be
15 a backlog. And I asked -- inquired to Mr. Connor
16 whether two hearings an hour, because that's what he
17 was recommending at the time, would cause a backlog.
18 And at that time he indicated that it would probably
19 cause a backlog. And I don't see that reflected in
20 the minutes. I would move to add that Commissioner
21 Taylor inquired if two hearings an hour would cause
22 a backlog and Mr. Connor indicated that it probably
23 would.

24 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Jim Hughes,
25 Chairman. Do we have -- this is an amendment to the

1 minutes. Do we have a second to the Commissioner
2 Taylor's motion?

3 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: This is
4 Commissioner Gillmor. I second the motion.

5 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: It's been properly
6 moved and seconded for an amendment to the minutes
7 of March 12, 2020. I will ask Mr. Tim Adams to call
8 the roll and see if the amendment has the proper and
9 necessary votes to become part of the meeting minutes
10 for March 2020.

11 MR. ADAMS: This is Tim Adams,
12 Executive Director of the Ohio Industrial
13 Commission. As I call your name, please restate
14 your name and state your vote.

15 Commissioner Karen Gillmor.

16 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: Commissioner
17 Karen Gillmor. I vote yes on the amendment.

18 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jodie Taylor.

19 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is
20 Commissioner Taylor. And I vote yes on the
21 amendment.

22 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jim Hughes.

23 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Commissioner
24 Jim Hughes. I vote yes on the amendment.

25 The amendment does have the necessary

1 votes to become part of the bill -- or part of the
2 minutes. Is there any other discussion on the
3 minutes of either March 12, 2020; October 29, 2019;
4 or September 2019?

5 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is
6 Commissioner Taylor. Could I just have one minute,
7 Mr. Hughes? I want to look at something real fast.
8 Okay?

9 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Chairman
10 Jim Hughes. Of course.

11 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Okay. No. This
12 is Commissioner Taylor. I have nothing further.

13 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Jim Hughes,
14 Chairman. Thank you.

15 Commissioner Gillmor, do you have any
16 other lingering questions on those three meeting
17 dates?

18 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: This is
19 Commissioner Gillmor. I have no questions. Thank
20 you.

21 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is Chairman
22 Hughes. What I'll do at this point in time with no
23 further discussion, we will call the question. So
24 we'll be voting on the minutes of
25 September 10, 2019; October 29, 2019; and

1 March 12, 2020, as with the amendment from
2 Commissioner Taylor. I'll now call upon our
3 Executive Director, Mr. Tim Adams, to call the role
4 on those three dates of minutes meetings and the one
5 that's amended in that.

6 Mr. Adams.

7 MR. ADAMS: This is Tim Adams,
8 Executive Director of the Ohio Industrial
9 Commission. As I call your name, please restate
10 your name and state your vote.

11 Commissioner Karen Gillmor.

12 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: Commissioner
13 Karen Gillmor, yes.

14 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jodie Taylor.

15 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is
16 Commissioner Jodie Taylor, yes.

17 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jim Hughes.

18 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Commissioner
19 and Chairman Jim Hughes, yes.

20 The three dates of September 10th,
21 October 29th and March 12th having the proper number
22 of votes is adopted by the Commission.

23 The last issue that we have before our
24 minutes meetings are the dates that were from the
25 audio from April 15, 2020; June 3, 2020; September

1 14, 2020; October 28, 2020; January 20, 2021; and
2 March 22, 2021. I move for the approval of the
3 minutes -- of these. Is there a second?

4 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: This is
5 Commissioner Gillmor. I second.

6 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Chairman
7 Jim Hughes. Thank you, Commissioner Gillmor.

8 Is there any discussion on the
9 approval of the minutes that I just read that was
10 seconded by Commissioner Gillmor?

11 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is
12 Commissioner Taylor. I have no discussion.

13 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: This is
14 Commissioner Gillmor. I have no discussion.

15 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Chairman
16 Jim Hughes. I have no further discussion either.

17 Thank you both, Commissioners.

18 I will now go to our Executive
19 Director, Mr. Tim Adams, please call the role on the
20 motion of the minutes to be approved of
21 April 15, 2020; June 3, 2020; September 14, 2020;
22 October 28, 2020; January 20, 2021; and
23 March 22, 2021.

24 Mr. Adams.

25 MR. ADAMS: This is Tim Adams,

1 Executive Director of the Ohio Industrial
2 Commission. As I call your name, please restate
3 your name and state your vote.

4 Commissioner Karen Gillmor.

5 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: Commissioner
6 Karen Gillmor. Yes.

7 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jodie Taylor.

8 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is
9 Commissioner Jodie Taylor. Yes.

10 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jim Hughes.

11 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Commissioner
12 Jim Hughes. Yes. The minutes meeting of
13 April 15th, June 3rd, September 14th, October 28th,
14 January 20th and March 22nd having the proper number
15 of votes is adopted by the Commission. That is all
16 we had on our agenda.

17 Is there a motion to adjourn the
18 meeting? I, Jim Hughes, will move to adjourn the
19 meeting. Is there a second?

20 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is
21 Commissioner Taylor. I will second.

22 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Chairman
23 Jim Hughes. Any discussion on the minutes -- or on
24 the motion?

25 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: This is

1 Commissioner Gillmor. I have no discussion.

2 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: This is

3 Commissioner Taylor. I have no discussion.

4 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Chairman
5 Jim Hughes. I have no discussion. I'll call to
6 question, Mr. Tim Adams, would you please call the
7 role for the motion to adjourn.

8 MR. ADAMS: This is Tim Adams,
9 Executive Director of the Ohio Industrial
10 Commission. As I call your name, please restate
11 your name and state your vote.

12 Commissioner Karen Gillmor.

13 COMMISSIONER GILLMOR: Commissioner
14 Karen Gillmor. Yes.

15 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jodie Taylor.

16 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Commissioner
17 Jodie Taylor. Yes.

18 MR. ADAMS: Commissioner Jim Hughes.

19 CHAIRMAN HUGHES: This is Jim Hughes.
20 Yes.

21 The motion does carry. The meeting
22 has concluded. Thank you very much, Commissioners.

23 And everybody please have a great day.

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete written transcript of the audiotaped proceedings in this matter, reduced by me into stenotypy, to the best of my ability, and transcribed from my stenographic notes on the 22nd day of June, 2020.



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Notary Public in and for
the State of Ohio

My commission expires February 13, 2026.