

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OHIO INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

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SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

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APPEARANCES:

Chairman Jim Hughes

Commissioner Dan Massey

Commissioner Cheri Hottinger

Deputy Chief Legal Counsel Amanda Brown

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MR. HUGHES: This is Chairman Jim Hughes and the Special Meeting of the Ohio Industrial Commission is now being called to order. The date is September 24th of 2024. It is also 11:30 in the morning. This meeting is being conducted in person and is being held in the main hearing room of the William Green Building, located at 30 West Spring Street in Columbus, Ohio. The meeting is also being streamed on the Ohio Industrial Commission's YouTube channel. The link to listen to this meeting is available on the Industrial Commission's public website.

The purpose of the Special Meeting is to vote on the hiring of an Executive Director. The agenda of the Special Meeting is as follows: Meeting called to order, roll call, meeting minute approval, vote to enter an Executive Session to discuss the hiring of an Executive Director, vote to hire an Executive Director, and adjournment.

During this meeting, it is important that prior to speaking the first time, each participant introduce themselves by stating their name and title. This is to ensure that the audio recording accurately reflects the

1 proceeding and the public is properly informed.

2 For those of you who are listening on the  
3 Industrial's Commission's YouTube channel, please be  
4 aware that if during a Special Meeting the Commissioners  
5 vote to enter an Executive Session, you will not be able  
6 to hear a live recording during the time. When the  
7 Commissioners exit Executive Session, the recording will  
8 reassume. I'll now ask our Deputy Chief Legal Counsel  
9 Amanda Brown to call the roll, please.

10 MS. BROWN: This is Amanda Brown, Deputy  
11 Chief Legal Counsel of the Ohio Industrial Commission.  
12 As I call your name, please state your name and affirm  
13 your presence. Commissioner Massey?

14 MR. MASSEY: Commissioner Massey, here.

15 MS. BROWN: Commissioner Hottinger?

16 MS. HOTTINGER: Commissioner Hottinger,  
17 present.

18 MS. BROWN: Chairman Hughes?

19 MR. HUGHES: Chairman Hughes, here. And  
20 we do have a majority and a quorum.

21 First thing we have is our meeting minutes,  
22 which is our first agenda and from August 5th, 2024. Is  
23 there any discussion of the meeting minutes from these  
24 special meetings?

25 Hearing none, I, Chairman Jim Hughes, will take

1 a motion to approve the August 5th, 2024 meeting  
2 minutes. Do I have a second to the said motion?

3 MR. MASSEY: This is Commissioner Massey,  
4 I will second.

5 MR. HUGHES: Thank you, Commissioner  
6 Massey, for your second. I now ask our Deputy Chief  
7 Legal Counsel Amanda Brown to call the roll.

8 MS. BROWN: As I call your name, please  
9 state your vote. Commissioner Massey?

10 MR. MASSEY: Yes.

11 MS. BROWN: Commissioner Hottinger?

12 MS. HOTTINGER: Yes.

13 MS. BROWN: Chairman Hughes?

14 MR. HUGHES: Chairman Hughes, yes. The  
15 motion does pass.

16 Hiring of an Executive Director. Before voting  
17 on the position of Executive Director, I will now open  
18 the floor to see if any of the Commissioners wish to  
19 make a motion to enter into Executive Session for any  
20 necessary legal advice regarding the hiring of an  
21 Executive Director.

22 I, Jim Hughes, will move that the Commission now  
23 move in Executive Session to receive any necessary legal  
24 advice regarding the hiring of an Executive Director.  
25 Do I have a second to the said motion?

1 MS. HOTTINGER: Commissioner Hottinger  
2 seconds.

3 MR. HUGHES: Thank you, Commissioner  
4 Hottinger, for your second. I'll now ask our Deputy  
5 Chief Legal Counsel Amanda Brown to call the roll.

6 MS. BROWN: As I call your name, please  
7 state your vote. Commissioner Massey?

8 MR. MASSEY: Yes.

9 MS. BROWN: Commissioner Hottinger?

10 MS. HOTTINGER: Yes.

11 MS. BROWN: Chairman Hughes?

12 MR. HUGHES: Yes. Said motion does carry.

13 Just for everybody to know, this Executive  
14 Session is limited to any necessary legal advice  
15 regarding the hiring of an Executive Director. All  
16 votes will be made in open session. Now since the  
17 motion was made to go into Executive Session, I  
18 respectfully request that anyone who has not been  
19 specifically invited to remain for Executive Session,  
20 please leave the hearing room until the Commission  
21 reconvenes, and please suspend the audio.

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24 (Break for Executive Session.)

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We are now back on the record, and have exited Executive Session. For the record, during Executive Session, no votes were taken and no decisions were made.

At this point in time I'm going to call roll call vote to take actions related to personnel matters. I, Chairman Jim Hughes, am now making a motion to approve the hiring of Jim Burkart as our Executive Director as discussed in Executive Session. Do I have a second for the motion?

MR. MASSEY: This is Commissioner Massey, I will second.

MR. HUGHES: Thank you, Commissioner Massey, for your second. Having received a proper second, I now ask our Deputy Chief Legal Counsel Amanda Brown to call the roll, please.

MS. BROWN: As I call your name, please state your vote. Commissioner Massey?

MR. MASSEY: Yes.

MS. BROWN: Commissioner Hottinger?

MS. HOTTINGER: Yes.

MS. BROWN: Chairman Hughes?

MR. HUGHES: Yes. Said motion does pass.

We have now considered all the items on our agenda for the Special Meeting. I, Chairman Jim Hughes,

1 move to adjourn. Do I have a second to that?

2 MS. HOTTINGER: Commissioner Hottinger  
3 seconds.

4 MR. HUGHES: Thank you, Commissioner, for  
5 your second. Will Amanda Brown please call the roll?

6 MS. BROWN: As I call your name, please  
7 state your vote. Commissioner Massey?

8 MR. MASSEY: Yes.

9 MS. BROWN: Commissioner Hottinger?

10 MS. HOTTINGER: Yes.

11 MS. BROWN: Chairman Hughes?

12 MR. HUGHES: Yes. Motion does carry. We  
13 are adjourned.

14 MS. BROWN: Thank you.

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16 (Whereupon, the special meeting was concluded.)

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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 14th day of October, 2024.

  
Shelby Anderson