

MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF ARIZONA

Held at 800 W. Washington  
Conference Room 308  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Thursday, January 29, 2009 – 1:00 p.m.

Present:	Brian Delfs	Chairman (telephonic)
	Joe Gosiger	Vice Chairman (telephonic)
	Louis W. Lujano, Sr.	Member
	Marcia Weeks	Member
	John A. McCarthy, Jr.	Member
	Laura McGrory	Director
	Andrew Wade	Acting Chief Legal Counsel
	Noreen Thorsen	Claims Manager
	Darin Perkins	Director, ADOSH
	Gary Norem	Chief Accountant
	Glenn Hurd	Accountant
	Kara Dimas	Office Manager, Legal Div.
	Teresa Hilton	Commission Secretary

Commissioner Lujano convened the Commission meeting at 1:00 p.m. noting a quorum present. Also in attendance were Scot Butler, the agency's lobbyist, Jeremy Richardson of CST Risk Management, Jenypher Jones of Snell & Wilmer and Jeremy Bethancourt of LeBlanc Building Co.

Approval of Minutes of January 22, 2009 Meeting

The Commission unanimously approved the Minutes of the January 22, 2009 meeting on motion of Mr. McCarthy, second of Mrs. Weeks.

Discussion &/or Action regarding Legislation

Scot Butler advised that the legislature held a special session last night regarding the \$1.6 billion budget deficit. This morning, bills were released in draft version. With respect to the agency, there is a proposal to sweep another \$3.3 million from the Administrative Fund along with an expenditure reduction and ensuing sweep of \$1.4 million from the Administrative Fund. He explained the issues associated with the proposed sweeps and that the bills attempt to make the budget adjustments effective February 28<sup>th</sup>. The Appropriations Committees will be meeting today and there will be floor actions tomorrow. Mr. Lujano asked if employment will be reduced. Mr. Butler advised that the hiring freeze is still in effect. He understands that the intent of the bills is to direct agencies as to the amount to cut and to give the agencies the discretion to determine how it should be done. Mrs. Weeks asked if the Legislature expects the Commission to borrow funds from the Special Fund. Mr. Butler responded that was not clear.

Mr. Butler provided the Commissioners with an updated legislative report of bills that would affect the agency. He stated there would be one more bill coming in from Senator Leff that deals with the reasonable, usual and customary standard for medical fees not covered by the







workers' compensation and staff recommends that the Commission request exceptions for all five packages. Following discussion, the Commission unanimously agreed to request the exceptions on motion of Mr. McCarthy, second of Mr. Gosiger.

Discussion &/or Action regarding Operations of the Industrial Commission

Laura McGrory advised that this is a continuing agenda item and that she has nothing new to report at this time. Mr. McCarthy asked whether the Commission wanted to schedule one of the meetings in February for Tucson. It was agreed that this would be discussed at next week's meeting.


Announcements

Ms. Hilton reminded the Commissioners that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.

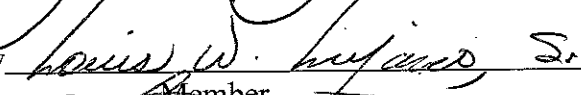
There being no further business to come before the Commission and no public comment, Commissioner Lujano adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

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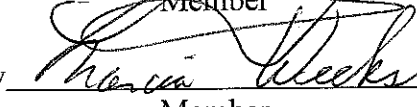
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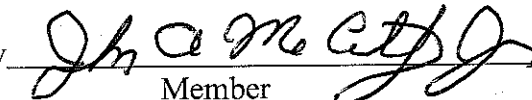
By   
Vice Chairman

By   
Member

ATTEST:

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Member

  
Commission Secretary

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Member