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Civil Service Board Tuesday, June 25, 2013 5:15 p.m. – Mayor's Reception Room, 4th Floor, Duluth City Hall

Members Present: Michelle Hooey, Portia Johnson, and Marshall Stenersen

Legal: Steve Hanke, Alison Lutterman

Other Attendees: Audra Flanagan, Theresa Severance, Jim Benning, Howard Jacobson, AFSCME

Council 5 Representatives Deb Strohm and David Leonzal, L.S., Ken Butler (attorney

for L.S.)

Meeting called to order by temporary Chair Marshall Stenersen at 5:15 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

(Stenersen, Hooey, Johnson – Edwards absent)

2. <u>VETERANS HEARING (L.S. –DISCHARGE)</u>

Attorney Ken Butler appeared on behalf of L.S., an AFSCME Basic Unit employee, and military veteran, who was discharged for misconduct on approximately June 11, 2013. Assistant City Attorney Steve Hanke appeared on behalf of the City. Deputy City Attorney Alison Lutterman appeared as staff attorney for the Civil Service Board, since Steve Hanke usually fills that role. Ken Butler indicated he had been recently retained by L.S. to represent him in a veterans hearing appealing his discharge pursuant to the Minnesota Veterans Preference Act. Mr. Butler requested a continuance of the hearing so that he could prepare for the case. Mr. Hanke objected, indicating that the City is required by Minnesota law to pay L.S. until the Civil Service Board makes a decision regarding the discharge appeal. The Civil Service Board (Stenersen, Hooey, and Johnson) granted Mr. Butler's continuance request, and set the hearing for two weeks later, July 9, 2013, at 4:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED

July 9, 2013, 4:00 p.m., City Hall Room 303

NOTE: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m

Respectfully submitted,

Leighann Severance