

2013-07-08 Ethics Minutes

Thursday, August 08, 2013

**The Town of Brooklyn
Board of Ethics Commission****MEETING MINUTES**

Monday July 8, 2013 at 7pm

Brooklyn Town Hall

Joseph Cooper, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

- 1.) **Roll Call**-Joseph Cooper, Ronald Panicci, Pam Childs

Excused-Mike Barry

Absent-John Harris, Gary Peloquin

- 2.) **Approval of mintes-6/3/13** The minutes from the June 3, 2013 meeting were tabled because they were incomplete.

- 3.) **Public Commentary**-none

- 4.) **Correspondence**-The committee reviewed the complaint presented by an individual resident of Brooklyn. It was decided that there is a possible violation of ethics code 2-40.2, additional information such as "Statement of Accounts" indicating income and expenses will be needed before a final decision can be made.

Joseph Cooper made a motion to obtain additional information regarding the complaint, before a conclusion and decision will be made. Pam Childs seconds this motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Pam Childs made a motion to table the proposed violation until further information is obtained. Joseph Cooper seconds this motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

The committee also had a complaint from February 2013 which was presented. After reviewing the complaint it was concluded that this complaint was discussed in February so there was uncertainty as to what the complaint was asking.

Pam Childs made a motion to table #2 complaint from February until there is further clarification as to what is being asked from this complaint. Ron Panicci seconds this motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

- 5.) **Unfinished Business**-Discussion of the Code of Ethics was for discussion at tonight's meeting. This topic was tabled until there is full member participation so detailed discussion can be conducted.

Pam Childs suggested Brooklyn Ethics and Conflicts of Interest guidelines should include timelines, like the State of CT recommended that Putnam had. Pam Childs also reiterated transparency is important. The complainant's should also receive certified mailings as to when their complaint will be heard at the Ethics Meeting.

- 6.) **New or Other Business:** Joseph Cooper welcomed the new Recording Secretary, Lisa Scribner. Joseph Cooper explained that Lisa has experience recording the minutes for Planning & Zoning Commission as well as a few other small committees and also substituting for other meetings when needed.

- 7.) **Executive Session:** none

- 8.) **Adjournment:** Ron Panicci made a motion to adjourn. Pam Childs seconds this motion. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Scribner
Recording Secretary