Regular Meeting

March 4, 2019

Members present: Pam Childs, John Harris, Jules D’Agostino and Marty Weiner

Public: none

1. Called to Order: 7:00

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

February 4, 2018

**Motion made**: 1st Jules D’Agostino 2nd Pam Childs

All in Favor

4. Public Commentary

None

5. Old Business

If procedures are included in the Ordinance, a town meeting would be required to change any procedure.

**Motion made**: To exclude the procedures from the Ordinance

1st John Harris 2nd Jules D’Agostino All in favor

Continued discussion of suggested revisions from Eric Callahan, Attorney:

Section 2-40.9 Discussion of excluding sexual harassment section of the Ordinance:

It was determined that the Board would like to understand why Mr. Callahan is taking this position and his suggestions as to how Ethics should handle sexual harassment in the Ordinance.

Marty Weiner obtained an opinion from a Lawyer and presented another point of view, as follows:

The position of Municipal Authority should not preclude the need to protect and defend.

The ethics code establishes the standard for sexual harassment.

John feels there is a difference between improper conduct and criminal conduct regarding sexual harassment. The Ethics board could make recommendations to the Selectmen involving improper conduct, in his opinion.

Section 2-40.2

Change “municipal employees” to” public employees”

Discussion

**Motion made:** 1st Jules D’Agostino 2nd John Harris All in Favor

Section 2-40.3

1. Add as last sentence: Removal from the Board of Ethics shall only be by majority vote of the Board of Selectmen.

**Motion made**: 1st Jules D’Agostino 2nd Marty Weiner All in Favor

1. No change
2. Add the word “annually” before elect

**Motion made**: 1st Jules D’Agostino 2nd Marty Weiner All in Favor

6. New Business

None

7. Adjournment

**Motion made**: 8:07

1st Marty Weiner 2nd John Harris All in Favor

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Boyle

Recording Secretary