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Board of Ethics Commission

Regular Meeting
May 5, 2014

Members present: Jules D'Agostino, John Harris, Pam Childs, Ronald Panicci, Michael Barry and Rick Ives

Members absent: none

Public attended: none

1. Called to Order: 7:02

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2014 regular meeting minutes

Motion made: 1st John Harris 2nd Mike Barry

Discussion: Mr. D'Agostino would like the adjournment time noted in the minutes.

Motion passed All in Favor

4. Public commentary

None

5. Unfinished business

Mr. Ives will discuss the final draft of the Code of Ethics at the BOS meeting on Thursday. It is an agenda item. If the draft is approved by the selectmen, it will be sent to a firm, for the correct placement of wording, in book form. It will then be presented at a town meeting.

Motion made: The town of Brooklyn will call a meeting on or before July 15, 2014 and bypass the June 5th town meeting.

1st John Harris 2nd Pam Childs

Discussion: John Harris will present the Revised Code of Ethics at the Town Meeting

All in Favor

Procedures

Exhibit B (taken from the Town of Brooklyn Board Of Ethics Commission Meeting Minutes)

The Ethics Commission is continuing to revise the procedures. The following is a discussion on the revisions.

Filing complaints

1. All complaints alleging a violation of the Brooklyn code of Ethics shall be filed in writing on forms provided by the Board. Complaints shall be filed with the Town Clerk. All complaints shall be signed by the Complainant, who shall swear to the truth thereof. All complaints and preliminary proceedings on complaints shall be kept confidential.

Motion made: to accept this wording 1st Mike Barry 2nd Ron Panicci All in Favor

2. The Board will consider the Complaint at its next scheduled meeting or at a special meeting convened within 30 days of the receipt of the Complaint, to determine the need for further documentation and or testimony. If the Board determines that no further action is necessary, the Board shall notify the Complaint forthwith.

Motion made: to accept this wording 1st John Harris 2nd Mike Barry All in Favor

3. Motion made: to change the following wording:

1st Investigation-- change to further consideration

2nd Investigation—(change to procedure)

Add: Complaint and Respondent will be notified by registered or certified mail, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

1st Jules D'Agostino 2nd Ron Panicci All in Favor

4. The Board may, for the purposes of completing this phase of its examination of the facts presented, adjourn or continue said meeting. Not later than 3 business days after the close of said meeting, The Board shall either dismiss the Complaint or order a hearing be held for the purpose of obtaining more information.

Motion made: to accept the changes the Commission made

1st John Harris 2nd Ron Panicci All in Favor

5. Motion made: proceed with revisions made in November. Also Strike the following: "and compel the attendance of witnesses by subpoena." Add : The Board, as it shall deem necessary, shall have the power to require administration of oath for testimony.

1st John Harris 2nd Mike Barry All in Favor

6. New or other business

None

7. Adjournment

Motion made: Time: 9:02 1st Ron Panicci 2nd Harris All in Favor

Submitted by: Chris Boyle

Christine E Boyle