

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE COMMON BOARD OF ETHICS**

DATE: NOVEMBER 28, 2023

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

PLACE: CITY HALL, OEM CONFERENCE ROOM, 6TH FLOOR

BOARD OF ETHICS MEMBERS

PRESENT:

DENNIS COHEN, EX OFFICIO

JOHN LAFFEY, VICE-CHAIR

SEAN BARRAVECCHIO, BOARD MEMBER

TORI PIECHOCNISKI, BOARD MEMBER

ELIZABETH TRESTON, BOARD MEMBER

ABSENT:

FELICIA SOLOMON, CHAIR

MEETING MINUTES

- JOHN LAFFEY MADE A MOTION TO OPEN THE MEETING
 - ELIZABETH TRESTON SECONDED THE MOTION.
 - MEETING COMMENCES.
- REVIEW OF BOARD OF ETHICS OCTOBER 24TH MEETING MINUTES
 - TORI PIECHOCNISKI MADE A MOTION APPROVAL MEETING MINUTES
 - SECOND MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHN LAFFEY.
 - ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIES
- DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE REST OF 2023 THROUGH 2024:

2023

December Tuesday December 26, 2023

2024

January Tuesday January 30, 2024

February Tuesday February 27, 2024

March Tuesday March 26, 2024

April Tuesday April 30, 2024

May Skip due to City Council & Budget Work Session Meetings

June Tuesday June 25, 2024

July Tuesday July 30, 2024

August Tuesday August 27, 2024

September Tuesday September 24, 2024

October Tuesday October 29, 2024

November Tuesday November 26, 2024

December No suitable December date due to both Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve being on a Tuesday.

- JOHN LAFFEY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT MEETING SCHEDULE
 - A SECOND MOTION WAS MADE BY ELIZABETH TRESTON.
 - ALL IN FAVOR MOTION CARRIES.
- DISCUSSION ENSUED REGARDING A NEW ANNUAL FINANCIAL & ETHICAL DISCLOSURE FORM PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL TO THE BOARD OF ETHICS. IT WAS DRAFTED BY COMPARING AND REVIEWING DISCLOSURE FORMS FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES, SUCH AS NORTH HEMPSTEAD, SUFFOLK COUNTY AND GLEN COVE.
 - DENNIS COHEN REQUESTS FOR THE NEWLY DRAFTED FORMS TO BE REVIEWED BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING.

- ELIZABETH TRESTON INQUIRES IF THE FORM WILL BE REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL BY CITY COUNCIL; DENNIS COHEN CONFIRMS THAT IT WILL BE DUE TO THE CITY OF LONG BEACH FORM BEING LISTED IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH CHARTER.
- DENNIS COHEN QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANY ADDITIONAL INPUT ON WHO SHOULD FILE THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL AND ETHICAL DISCLOSURE FORMS.
 - JOHN LAFFEY STATES THE LIST DISCUSSED IN OCTOBER 24TH MEETING WAS ACCEPTABLE.
 - OCTOBER 24TH MEETING MINUTES LISTS ON PAGE THREE & FOUR WHO SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT, WHICH WAS APPROVED.
 - JOHN LAFFEY RECOMMENDS THE FORM TO BE CREATED AND ACCESSIBLE ON THE COMPUTER AT HOME; DENNIS COHEN WILL BE SURE TO INQUIRE WITH THE IT DEPARTMENT.
- DENNIS COHEN MAKES A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER MEETINGS LAW §105 F. THE MEDICAL, FINANCIAL, CREDIT OR EMPLOYMENT, PROMOTION, DEMOTION, DISCIPLINE, SUSPENSION, DISMISSAL OR A REMOVAL OF A PARTICULAR PERSON OR CORPORATION.
 - SECOND MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHN LAFFEY.
 - ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIES.
- CAME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION; DENNIS COHEN STATES TO RESOLVE ETHICAL COMPLAINT NO. 2023-2.

- JOHN LAFFEY MAKES A MOTION TO FIND NO VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF ETHICS; HOWEVER MAKES A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY MANAGER THAT THE SUBJECT OF THE COMPLAINT BE ADVISED/DIRECTED NOT TO ENGAGE THE CONDUCT THAT WAS THE SUBJECT OF THE ALLEGATION.
 - A SECOND MOTION WAS MADE BY TORI PIECHOCNISKI.
 - ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIES.
- DENNIS COHEN MAKES A MOTION TO ADJOURN BOARD OF ETHICS MEETING.
 - SECOND MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHN LAFFEY.
 - ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIES.