



Ethics Board for the Town of New Paltz

Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 17th, 2014

Call to order

Alan Stout called to order the public meeting of the **Ethics Board** at 19:04 on Monday, November 17th, 2014

Meeting was held at the Town of New Paltz Community Center.

Roll call Alan Stout, Mary Woodburn, Kelly O'Donnell and Philippe Robbins.

Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from the June 26th, 2014 were accepted by quorum.

Agenda:

- Alan Stout recognized Kelly O'Donnell as new member.
- Alan Stout confirmed that meetings are Open to Public.
- Kelly O'Donnell will submit minutes to Town Clerk: Rosanna Mazzaccari

Public Comment No comment(s)

New business:

- New Code of Ethics was adopted at the meeting of the Town Board on July 17th, 2014.
- Chairman brought up a review of the new wording in section 15-18 – Letter I #2 of the new Code of Ethics.
- Alan Stout shared with the Board Susan Zimet remarks: She is proud of the work we have done and our Model is being looked at by other communities.
- The Board of Assessments chose as a group not file the FDS. Ethics board will look into to this for the new year 2015

Old Business:

- Financial Disclosure Forms – FDS. Updating the form to include email addresses for better follow up. Also a possible clarification of “dependents” listing on the FDS.
- Board will review ways to have the FDS filled out properly by all 60+ people that hold a seat on a committee or commission.
- Phil Robbins will remain secretary for the Board of Ethics.

Minutes:

- Discussion regarding the FDS and proposed enhancement for 2015
- A brief discussion was held regarding the Board of Assessments refusal to file the FDS.



- Kelly O'Donnell will share her email sent out to the ZBA & Planning Board committees in regards to filing the FDS.

- Mary Woodburn has offered to replace Alan Stout, as he steps down, as Chairman of the Ethics Board.
- Kelly O'Donnell made motion to accept Mary as new Chairman; Philippe Robbins offered second motion and Alan Stout voted positively.

- Mary Woodburn accepted the position and title effective immediately.

- A search for a new member will be implemented.

- Kelly O'Donnell will notify Carol Connolly to place an ad in the local paper for a new member for the Board of Ethics

- All future meetings will be held at the Community Center located at 1 Veterans Drive, New Paltz, NY 12561

- Mary Woodburn will meet with Kelly O'Donnell to assist in the transition of keys and email access.
- Mary will meet with Rosanna Mazzaccari to get most updated list of all personnel require to file an FDS.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 2nd , 2015

Adjournment: Alan Stout adjourned the meeting at 8:34 pm.

Minutes Submitted: Philippe Robbins

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Mr. Alan Stout

The Members of this Board would like to extend a grateful **Thank You** to Alan Stout for 1 + years of service, dedication and guidance to this Board of Ethics and the Town of New Paltz.

We wish him the very best on all his future endeavors.
