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Minutes

ROCKLAND COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS MEETING

Held Thursday 11/15/2023 at 5:30 PM in Room # 641, 6th Floor of Building A, 50 Sanatorium Road. Pomona NY 10970

Members Present: Andrea Composto, Vincent Frankel, and Joshua Konecni

Non-Members Present: William Hartnagel, Assistant County Attorney and Janice Maurer, Confidential Secretary to the Board of Ethics.

Meeting called to order: at 5:40 by Vincent Frankel, Acting Chairperson

Topics:

1) Review and Discuss Board of Ethics Advisory Opinion Request El-136 – Employee Seeking Advisory Opinion

The Board discussed and reviewed the inquiry. A. Composto moved to draft a letter to the Employee, J. Konecni seconded, the motion was unanimously passed. Approved as amended.

2) Review and Discuss New Ethics Complaint EC-227

The Board cannot respond to this letter as it was sent anonymous, the complaint was reviewed and was found to be outside of the purview of the Rockland County Board of Ethics. As this complaint was an allegation of discrimination, The Board noted the Town of Haverstraw has its own Board of Ethics, and this is a matter that should be pursued with the Town of Haverstraw. The Board also forwarded this matter to the Rockland County Commissioner of Human Rights who was copied on the original.

- 3) No Conflicting Interest or Activity Affidavit Review for Rockland County Board Non-Filers The Board reviewed this, J. Konecni motioned to give the is remaining non-filers until December 7th to file. A. Composto seconded; the motion was passed unanimously. The Secretary will follow with Members, Chairpersons and Board Attorneys.
- 4) Removal of Boards from the Resolution
 - SV Urban Development
 - RC Health Facilities
 - Workforce Development Board
 - Board of Appeals

The Board discussed removing these Boards from the future Resolutions. The Board asked the Board attorney to investigate.

5) Training Update – See memo from CE office All Board Members need to complete the mandatory training. The secretary is working with the Board and internal staff to be sure this is completed by 12/30/2023.

New Business

Old Business