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# TOWN OF HAMDEN CONNECTICUT

## BOARD OF ETHICS

Wayne Thomas Spies, Chairman

Carolyn Westerfield, Clerk

## MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING <sup>31, cw</sup> January 30, 2014

*Jan. 30 is Thurs.  
not Fri.*

The Hamden Board of Ethics held a Special Meeting on Friday, January 30, 2014 in the First Floor Conference Room of the Hamden Government Center. <sup>31, cw</sup>

Present were: Chairman Wayne Thomas Spies; Members, Charles Elbert and Craig Gelman; Clerk Westerfield.

The MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 8:00pm by Chairman Spies who stated that there was a quorum present, and that if the urgent business before the Board is completed this evening, the Regular Meeting of Tuesday February 4 will be cancelled.

Chairman Spies presented a letter from the Mayor's office (all members of the Board have previously received a copy) asking if there could be a Conflict of Interest, or other limitations vis a vis the Ethics Regulations of the Town of Hamden – i.e. if a member of the General Assembly were appointed to a position within the Town Government. The letter pointed out that the possible appointee has already secured an advisory opinion from the State of Connecticut.

Discussion followed as to the person's capability to serve both positions; the relationship of being a member of the State Assembly; and, as such, serving the needs of the Town. The question of "recusal" came up and it was determined that this already applied to his present position in the State of Connecticut Assembly. It was also noted that he has already secured an advisory opinion from the State.

**A motion was made by Member Elbert and Seconded by Member Gelman that Chairman Spies write a letter to the Mayor stating the Opinion of the Hamden Board of Ethics as discussed at this Meeting. VOTE Unam.**

**The Meeting was Adjourned at 8:15.**

**Carolyn Westerfield, Clerk**

**February 3, 2014**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be the initials 'CW', located below the typed name and date.

## Maria Coppola

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**From:** carolyn westerfield [carolyn.westerfield@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 11, 2014 11:57 AM  
**To:** Maria Coppola  
**Subject:** Re: Board of Ethics special mtg on Jan 30th

The Meeting WAS on Friday- sorry for the error in Date- could you please reflect this change, as the Notice for the Meeting also states FRIDAY. I am unable to come to make the change in person today, and Wed is a Holiday and Thurs will be a "snow date" and I am gone for a week after that, Carolyn

On Tue, Feb 11, 2014 at 11:47 AM, Maria Coppola <MCoppola@hamden.com> wrote:

Hi Carolyn,

Special meeting agenda states Friday, Jan **31**. Minutes say Friday, Jan **30**. January 30th was on a Thursday.

If special meeting was indeed on Jan 30, can you please resend **agenda to read Thursday, Jan 30th and the minutes to read Thursday, January 30**.

Call me with any questions,

thank you,

Maria

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