



# TOWN OF HAMDEN

## *Board of Ethics*

### *Meeting Recording:*

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**Minutes: The Board of Ethics, Town of Hamden held a special meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, via virtual Zoom; the following issues were discussed:**

1. Call to Order: Chairman Kent called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
  - a. Attendance: Phillip Kent, Chairman; Ann Pari; Jean Larson; Ellen Rosenthal; Lynda Rosenfeld; Edward Simon;
  - b. Also in Attendance: Liana Paglia, Commission Clerk;
2. Public Comment regarding agenda items
  - a. Dr. Rosenfeld clarified that the public comment section does not have to be restricted to strictly agenda items, but can be general comments from the public as well. As no commissioner was aware of any public comment prior to this meeting, the meeting continued to the next agenda item.
3. Approval of Minutes- January 10, 2023
  - a. Changes
    - i. In paragraph #3, the word “confidential” was changed to “executive” and “revised” to “new”
    - ii. In paragraph #5, item “a.” was replaced with Chairman Kent’s comment in the document
    - iii. In paragraph #6, the first sentence was removed, as the information is repeated in the second sentence. The reason for entering into confidential session was removed. “Ms.” Rosenfeld was changed to “Dr.” Rosenfeld.
    - iv. In paragraph #7, the word “to” was changed to “go” in sentence #1. The word “go” was added to sentence #2. “Interdepartmental” was changed to “Intradepartmental”. Additional unnecessary language was removed from

the paragraph regarding the motion, per Attorney Sue Gruen's advice. A missing "(" was added and an additional "." was removed. "Ms." Rosenfeld was changed to "Dr." Rosenfeld.

- v. Ms. Larson made a motion to approve the amended minutes, which was seconded by Dr. Rosenfeld. The chair called for a vote:

P. Kent	Aye	L. Rosenfeld	Aye
J. Larson	Aye	E. Rosenthal	Aye
A. Pari	Aye	E. Simon	Aye

- 4. Correspondence- N/A
- 5. New Business
  - a. Board Roster - approve membership's contact information
    - i. Chairman Kent tabled this item until the next meeting, when there is a document to view.
  - b. Discussion regarding the Town Charter's revisions applicable to Board of Ethics
    - i. Chairman Kent noted that these items can be found in an e-mail from Attorney Sue Gruen from January 11<sup>th</sup>, with a subject titled "New Charter Revisions". Some new requirements include: commissions must schedule a monthly meeting, even if it is later cancelled or postponed; a commission cannot cancel more than two consecutive monthly meetings. There was a brief discussion regarding a time limit for the public comment section of the agenda. After insight from the clerk, Ms. Paglia, Mr. Simon volunteered to explore the current procedures employed by the Planning and Zoning, Police, and Traffic Commissions, as they all typically hold space for public comment at every meeting. Mr. Simon will report back at the March meeting.
- 6. Old Business
  - a. Status and updates on the changes to make to the Board of Ethic's webpage.
    - i. It was confirmed that Deputy Chief of Staff, Ms. Panayotakis, is in receipt of the necessary changes. Mr. Simon will monitor the page and update the commission, when they are done.
- 7. Confidential Session, *if required*, pursuant to **Connecticut General Statutes §1-82a and §7-148h**- N/A
- 8. Executive Session (if required)- N/A
- 9. Adjournment: At 7:43 pm Dr. Rosenfeld made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Ms. Pari. All were in favor.