

Nassau County Board of Ethics

Minutes - Public

Meeting date and place: March 16, 2016
One West Street, Mineola, New York 11501

Board Members: Owen Smith, Chair
Carnell T. Foskey, County Attorney
Albert A. D'Agostino, Member

Board Counsel: Steven G. Leventhal

Also in attendance: David Ragonetti, Deputy County Attorney
Christopher Leimone, Deputy County Attorney
Sean Berman, Accountant I, taking minutes

Absent: John E. Ryan, Member

The meeting was called to order at 1:14 p.m. by Chair Smith. In the Public Session the Board discussed what steps to take with delinquent financial disclosure filers for reporting year 2014, as well as steps being taken to prepare for the upcoming reporting year. The Board decided to pursue various local public authorities, to determine whether they need to file a financial disclosure with Nassau County as well.

Next the Board discussed its own procedures for incoming FOIL requests, specifically what types of information are subject to FOIL and need to be kept on file. Counsel Steve Leventhal suggested that going forward, notices for Board of Ethics meetings need to be placed on display in One West Street in advance of said meetings, and proposed that the Board write an updated Code of Ethics booklet.

Following a recent Ethics CLE given to department heads, Counsel Steve Leventhal suggested a similar seminar be held for a broader range of county employees.

At 1:43 p.m. Chairman Owen Smith motioned to adjourn the Public session into Executive session, seconded by County Attorney Carnell Foskey. Motion passes unanimously.

At 2:17 p.m. County Attorney Carnell Foskey motioned to adjourn Executive Session back to Public session, as well as to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chairman Owen Smith. Motion passes unanimously.