

Town of Simsbury Board of Ethics

Revised Minutes of Regular Meeting June 15, 2015

Present: David M. Moore, Acting-Chair/Secretary; Barbara Petitjean, Kevin Crimmins, Polly Maier and Tom Rechen.

Absent: None.

Guest: None.

The Regular Meeting for the Simsbury Board of Ethics was called to Order at 7:35 p.m., a quorum having been determined by the Acting Chair.

A Motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2015 Regular Meeting by Board Member Kevin Crimmins and said motion was seconded by Board Member Polly Maier. Said Motion passed by a vote of 3-0-2, with Board Members Barbara Petitjean and Tom Rechen abstaining.

Acting Chair Moore then welcomed new Board Member Tom Rechen to the Board.

Acting Chair Moore took agenda item # 4 out of order, on the Chair's prerogative, and brought the Board up to date on the filling of the vacancy of the unaffiliated seat. Acting Chair Moore indicated that he had been sent copies of the resumes submitted thus far and that he had been invited to comment on them, and he asked the Board if either he or the Board should respond in any way. It was the consensus of the Board that there would be no comment provided by the Acting Chair or the Board on the current resumes, and that the Acting Chair would so indicate to Mr. Tom Cooke. On a related matter, Board Member Polly Maier indicated that her term of office was up on December 31, 2015, and that she would not seek re-appointment. She also noted that when she was appointed, it involved her sending in a letter/request for appointment, along with her resume, and that she was thereafter interviewed by a member of the Board of Selectmen. She then suggested that the Board of Selectmen, while they are interviewing to fill the unexpired term currently vacant, could also interview for her position, to be filled once her term was up. She reassured the Board that she would serve the balance of her term, and would continue to serve until her replacement was appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Acting Chair Moore then indicated that he would let Mr. Cooke and the First Selectman know of Board Member Maier's intentions.

The Board then took up the request for an Advisory Opinion for Mr. Jeff Dornenburg, and Board Member Kevin Crimmins recused himself from consideration and discussion of the said Opinion, as he is a member of the Economic Development Commission Task Force, of which Mr. Dornenburg is a member. A Motion was made to go into Executive (closed) Session, to further consider the requested Advisory Opinion for Mr. Jeff Dornenburg by Board Member Rechen and seconded by Board Member Petitjean. The motion passed unanimously, and the Board went into Executive Session, as of 7:40 p.m.

A Motion was made to come out of Executive Session by Board Member Petitjean and seconded by Board Member Rechen. The motion passed 4-0, and the Board came out of Executive Session at 8:20 p.m.

A motion was made to have a Special Meeting on July 20, 2015, so as to invite Mr. Dornenburg and a member of Main Street by Board Member Petitjean, but after further consideration, she withdrew the Motion.

A Motion was made to table the matter, based upon the discussions of the Board in Executive Session, over to a Special Meeting, to be held on July 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. by Board Member Rechen and the same was seconded by Board Member Maier. The motion passed 4-0, and the matter was so tabled.

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Board Member Rechen and Seconded by Board Member Maier. The Motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David M. Moore, Acting Chair & Secretary