

Albany County Ethics Commission Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2020 4:00pm
Room 710
Albany County Office Building
112 State Street, Albany, NY 12207

Meeting conducted remotely via Turbo-Bridge phone conference

In attendance: Shari Calnero, Michael Rest, Bernard Malone, Patrick Collins, Peter Apostol

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Rest at 4:05 p.m.

All 3 members present- quorum present

1. Reviewed the meeting minutes from February 27, 2020 and April 28, 2020 meeting, corrections to the minutes were made, a motion from Chairman Rest to adopt the minutes, as amended, was seconded by Ms. Calnero, and minutes were unanimously adopted.
2. Chairman Rest discussed the fact that his term as Chair was coming to an end and proposed taking up that vote at this meeting. Chairman Rest discussed that both he and Ms. Calnero had served as the Chair. Chairman Rest proposed that Judge Malone be nominated as Chair, and made such nomination. Ms. Calnero seconded the nomination and all members voted in the affirmative. Judge Malone was appointed Chairman.
3. Members discussed division of the Annual Financial Disclosure Forms for review. Mr. Collins noted that they were all due the day of the meeting, and that the Clerk of the Legislature and staff would sort them, and divide them by the number of Commission members. Mr. Collins also noted that those individuals who did not file timely will be contacted to have them submit the form.
4. Members discussed the status of the State Comptroller's Audit of Ethics Oversight and Mr. Apostol and Mr. Collins stated that no new information has come forward as to a timeline for the report.
5. Members discussed an alleged violation of Local Law 8 for 2011 and entered executive session to discuss the complaint. Motion to enter Executive Session by Ms. Calnero for the purposes of discussing a personnel matter, seconded by Judge Malone. All members voted in the affirmative. The Commission entered executive session at 4:50pm.
6. The Commission came out of executive session at 5:00pm after discussing a complaint received by the Commission May 19, 2020 and Ms. Calnero moved to dismiss the complaint for failing to alleged facts which violate the Ethics Law. Mr. Rest seconded. All members were in the affirmative and the motion

passed unanimously. Mr. Collins noted that the Ethics Law requires notice to the Complainant and the Respondent of the dismissal of the Complaint, and offered to work with Mr. Apostol to draft such notice.

7. The Commission set the next meeting for September 23, 2020 at 4:00pm.
8. Motion to adjourn – Mr. Rest moved to adjourn, Ms. Calnero seconded, all members in favor. The motion Unanimous vote to adjourn.

Meeting ends 5:04 pm.