

TOWN OF BOLTON ETHICS COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Monday, September 18, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting - In person and virtual via Zoom

Members Present: Chairman Timothy Johnston, Vice-Chairman Robert Neil, Basia Caya, and Matthew Wright

1.0 Call to Order

Chairman T. Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2.0 Approval of Minutes:

a. April 17, 2023

R. Neil made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. B. Caya seconded. The motion passed unanimously 4:0:0.

3.0 Review Code of Ethics Accepted by Board of Selectmen on November 10, 2015

A copy of the Code of Ethics was given to all participants at the meeting and the commission members had reviewed the Code of Ethics prior to the meeting.

B. Caya asked how the code affects volunteers in town. The Code of Ethics does not specifically mention volunteers. T. Johnston noted that the majority of participants on town committees are volunteers as are Rec Department coaches. T. Johnston will review the code to see how it might affect volunteers and how the Code would be revised if appropriate.

R. Neil asked what would happen if a town employee who drives for the town gets a DUI. Would the Ethics Commission be responsible to follow up? T. Johnston replied that the Ethics Commission would have to review the circumstances and the Commission only follows up if a situation is reported to them. Board of Education employees are not covered by the current code.

B. Caya and M. Wright offered to coordinate an effort to see if any surrounding towns have a Code of Ethics.

4.0 New Business:

a. Set next meeting date

The next hybrid meeting was set for December 18, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom.

5. Adjourn

R. Neil made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. B. Caya seconded. The motion passed unanimously 4:0:0.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie J. Brand

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