



**MINUTES OF THE CHESAPEAKE BEACH ETHICS COMMISSION MEETING**  
**June 24, 2020**

**Commission Members Present:** Phillip Kete, Chair  
Ingrid Lamb  
Michael Linsenbigler

**Staff Members Present:** Fred Sussman, Commission Counsel  
Sharon L. Humm, Commission Clerk

The virtual meeting convened at 1:08 p.m. Those listed as present participated in all portions of the meeting unless otherwise noted. If other individuals participated in aspects of the meeting, they will be identified in the specific line item where their participation occurred.

**Item 1: Approval of the minutes of the June 3, 2020 Ethics Commission Meeting.**

Discussion: The draft minutes of the June, 3, 2020 Ethics Commission meeting were presented.

Decision: The Commission unanimously approved the June 3, 2020 Ethics Commission minutes.

**Item 2: Approval of the minutes of the June 3, 2020 Closed Session.**

Discussion: The draft minutes of the June 3, 2020 Closed Session were presented.

Decision: The Commission unanimously approved the June 3, 2020 Closed Session minutes.

**Item 3: Complete Review Disclosures and discuss any apparent or possible violations of the Ethics Ordinance.**

Discussion: The Commission reviewed and discussed the financial disclosures of Valerie Beaudin, Paul Woodburn, Elissa Levan, Warren LaHeist, Charles Fink, Greg Morris and Stewart Cumbo. Mrs. Beaudin was present and addressed the Commission in regards to her financial disclosure.

Decision: 1. Valerie Beaudin- Upon review of Dr. Beaudin's disclosure and all the relevant facts, the Commission decides 1) that the ordinance's ban on solicitation of gifts will be interpreted in the future as applying to gifts to charities as well as other entities, and 2) absent this clarification, the Commission finds the provision to have been too ambiguous as to provide a basis for finding that Dr. Beaudin violated it. The Commission unanimously agreed and approved Dr. Beaudin's disclosure.

2. Paul Woodburn-After review and discussion, the Commission unanimously approved Mr. Woodburn's disclosure. Due to the resignation of Mr. Woodburn in early 2020, the

Commission will notify and request Mr. Woodburn to complete a disclosure for January 1, 2020 through his resignation date as required in the 2017 ethics ordinance, §25-4( c ), which was still in effect when he resigned.

3. Elissa Levan – The Commission unanimously approved Ms. Levan's disclosure as complete and in compliance.

4. Warren LaHeist - The Commission unanimously approved Mr. LaHeist's 2019 disclosure along with his disclosure for time served in 2020 up to his resignation date as complete and in compliance.

5. Charles Fink – The Commission will notify Mr. Fink requesting he supplement his disclosure with a separate form for each piece of his real estate.

6. Greg Morris – The Commission unanimously approved Mr. Morris's disclosure as complete.

7. Stewart Cumbo – Mr. Cumbo resigned in 2019 from the Town Council. Per the Ethics Ordinance, the Commission should have notified Mr. Cumbo to submit a disclosure for for his time served in 2019. Upon realizing the oversight in not doing so, the Commission will notify Mr. Cumbo and request he submit a disclosure.

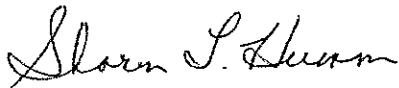
**Item 4:**      **Schedule next Meeting.** The Commission will meet again on July 22, 2020 at 1 pm.

**Item 5:**      **Comments by Commissioners and members of the public.**

1. Councilman Derek Favret commented he is looking forward to the Commissioner's upcoming discussion on charities.

The meeting adjourned at 1:51 pm.

Submitted by:



Sharon L. Humm  
Town Clerk