

MINUTES OF THE CHESAPEAKE BEACH ETHICS COMMISSION MEETING
January 10, 2020

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

Staff Members Present: Sharon L. Humm, Town Clerk

The meeting convened at 1:00 p.m. at the Chesapeake Beach Town Hall at 8200 Bayside Road, Chesapeake Beach, MD. 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: **Consideration of a recently submitted request for an advisory opinion.**

Discussion: Chairman Kete stated the Commission received the submitted request for an advisory opinion. The issue is whether the applicant's participation as a council member in voting or debating on an item/project, in which he happened to be committee chair, is prohibited by anything in the ordinance.

Decision: After discussion, the Commission unanimously agreed that there is no finding of an ethical violation, and debating and voting on the project in question would be allowed. Chairman Kete will inform the applicant of the Commission's decision and prepare an advisory opinion for circulation.

ITEM 2: **Comments by Commissioners and members of the public.**

Discussion: Chairman Kete stated he would like to begin work on the Rules of Procedure and the revision of the financial disclosure forms. With the Commission's approval, Mr. Kete will forward a copy of the Commission's Rules of Procedure to the Mayor indicating that the Commission will be considering some changes and welcomes any comments from the elected officials.

Item 6: **Schedule next Meeting.** The Commission will meet again on February 18, 2020 at 6 pm. and March 11, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 1:18 pm.

Submitted by:

Sharon L. Humm
Town Clerk