



MINUTES OF THE CHESAPEAKE BEACH ETHICS COMMISSION MEETING
August 6, 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 1:00 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 July 22, 2020 Ethics Commission Meeting.

Discussion: The draft minutes of the July 22, 2020 Ethics Commission meeting were presented.

Decision: The Commission unanimously approved the July 22, 2020 Ethics Commission minutes.

Item 2: Revision of Rules of Procedure

Discussion: The Commission reviewed the circulated Ethics Rules of Procedure which contained changes from its July 22, 2020 meeting. After review, the Commission made some additional recommendations.

Decision: The Commission adopted the revised Rules of Procedure as presented, with additional approved changes. Chairman Kete will incorporate the recommended changes as unanimously approved by the Commission.

Item 3: Consider request for advisory opinion from the Planning Commission.

Discussion: Chairman Kete stated he received an email from Planning Commission Chair Larry Brown, requesting an advisory opinion on an invitation that the Planning Commission received from the Rod n Reel Resort Team. Chairman Kete read into record the email. The email invited the Planning Commission to a tour and lunch at the new "1936" restaurant that recently opened. The Commission discussed if this would be in violation to the ethics ordinance.

Decision: The consensus of the Commission was that accepting the invitation from the Rod n Reel Resort Team for a tour and lunch would be in violation of Section §25-27 of the current ethics ordinance. Chairman Kete will draft an advisory opinion and circulate to the Commission for review and comment.

Item 4: **Schedule next Meeting.** The Commission will meet again on August 19, 2020 at 1 pm.

Item 5: **Comments by Commissioners and members of the public.** Commission Chair Kete thanked everyone for their time and their support of the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sharon L. Humm".

Sharon L. Humm
Town Clerk