

Wilton Town Council on Ethics
Meeting Minutes- Monday, October 19, 2015

Present: Julianne Higgins, Andrew Mais, Virginia Benin, Joshua Kammerman and William Lalor (individually "Member(s)", or collectively the "Council").

Chair Higgins called the meeting to order at 6:47 PM. Joshua Kammerman agreed to act as Secretary, for purposes of this meeting.

A motion was made and duly seconded, and the agenda for this meeting, as filed with the Town Clerk and published on the Town's website, was unanimously adopted.

Another motion was made and seconded, and the minutes of the meeting held on April 6, 2015, were adopted, subject to revisions requested by Chair Higgins.

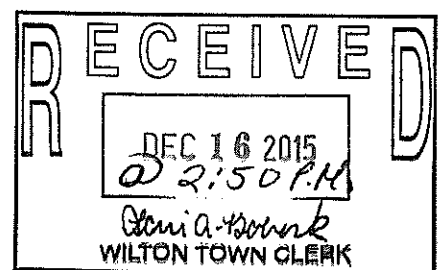
Higgins next asked the Council to review the recommendation it had made at its January 22, 2015, meeting regarding Section D(3) of the Town Code of Ethics. During that meeting, the Council had voted to forward to the Board of Selectmen a proposed amendment to the Code that would clarify the number of Council members required to issue an Advisory Opinion. The proposed revision would require the presence and agreement of at least three Council members. Higgins stated that, while preparing the request to the Board of Selectmen, she came upon correspondence that indicated that the draftsmen of the current Code would have allowed for an Opinion to issue with just two members in agreement (albeit reluctantly), if all seats were not filled (or members available) at the time of a vote on an Advisory Opinion. She asked if this would cause her fellow Council members to reconsider their previous stand. All who had been attendance at the January meeting agreed that this would in fact affect their position, and upon motion made and seconded, the proposed amendment was withdrawn.

Higgins then turned the attention of the Council to the term "full Council" within the same Section D(3). The members agreed that that term still needed clarification, as there have been periods during which not all seats on the Council have been filled, or when seats were filled but not all members were able to participate. After much discussion but no agreement, the Council decided to table the matter until its next meeting. Higgins stated that, in the interim, she would review the Ethics codes of other CT towns to see what they require in order for an Advisory Opinion to issue.

There being no developments to report, new Complaints, or requests for Advisory Opinions, the Council then turned to the election of officers for 2015-2016. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED: That the following members of the Council be, and hereby are, elected to the following positions, effective immediately and until such time as their replacements shall have been elected:

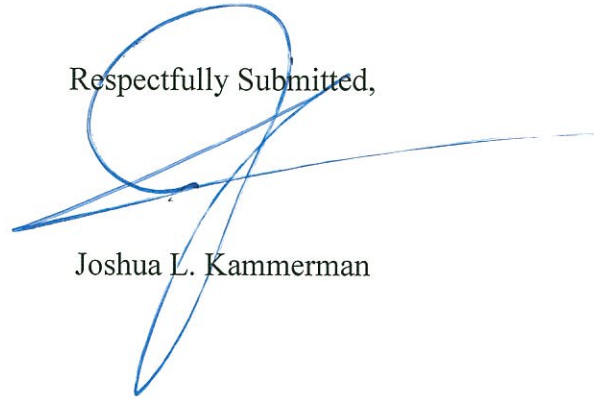
Andrew Mais- Chairperson
William Lalor- Vice-Chairperson
Joshua Kammerman- Secretary



The next meeting is to be held Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at 7:30 PM, at a location to be determined.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' followed by a horizontal line and a vertical line that loops back down.

Joshua L. Kammerman