

Village of Mamaroneck Ethics Board
Agenda

March 18, 2024 at 4:00 PM
Conference Room – Village Hall
123 Mamaroneck Avenue

1. Public Session
 - A. Review and approval of the minutes of the meetings of February 21 and February 29, 2024
 - B. Discussion of Board of Trustees meeting for March 25, 2024
 - C. Discussion of outstanding Annual Disclosure Statements

2. Executive Session pursuant to Open Meetings Law Section 105 f – a matter regarding the discipline of a particular person

Ethics Board
Village of Mamaroneck
Draft Minutes of the Meeting
February 21, 2024
Regatta Conference Room

In attendance: Daniel Karson, Maria DeRose, Susan Berenzweig, Lauren Perone Jones, Chari Topol-Allison

Members of Public Present at Public Session only: R. Stark, S. Tiekert, S. McCrory

A motion to call the meeting to order was made by Ms. DeRose and seconded by Dr. Berenzweig at 5:31 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

Upon motion by Ms. Perone Jones and seconded by Ms. DeRose, the minutes from the January 24, 2024 were unanimously approved.

Mr. Karson stated that in the past several weeks the Ethics Board has received several emails and letters alleging violations of the Code of Ethics, or requesting action by the board. He said that the correspondence has not been framed in accordance with the code's requirements or which did not set forth facts based upon which the code authorized action by the board. The correspondence variously requested action on hypothetical acts, unsworn complaints or requests for advisory opinions from persons not within the ambit prescribed by the Code of Ethics. The correspondence all related to the Hunter tier development.

Dr. Berenzweig and Ms. Allison will write a statement outlining the responsibilities and processes of the Ethics Board for the public to understand more clearly the jurisdiction of the Ethics Board and the code's requirements for filing complaints and requesting advisory opinions.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Mr. Karson, the Board voted unanimously to convene in Executive Session at 6:01 PM pursuant to section 105 F of the Open Meetings Law to discuss a matter regarding the discipline of a particular person.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Ms. Perone Jones, the Board voted to authorize Chair Karson to write an advisory opinion. Ms. DeRose was not present and had recused.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Ms. DeRose, the Board voted to approve a draft of complaint 2023-3 pursuant to discussed revisions. Ms. Perone Jones was absent from the vote.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Ms. DeRose, the Board voted unanimously to reconvene in public session at 8:20 PM.

Upon motion by Ms. DeRose and seconded by Dr. Berenzweig, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

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Draft Minutes of the Meeting
February 29, 2024
Regatta Conference Room

In attendance: Daniel Karson, Susan Berenzweig, Lauren Perone Jones, Chari Topol-Allison

A motion to call the meeting to order was made by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Ms. Allison at 5:58 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

Upon motion by Mr. Karson and seconded by Dr. Berenzweig, the Board voted unanimously to convene in Executive Session at 6:03 PM pursuant to section 105 F of the Open Meetings Law to discuss a violation that may lead to possible discipline of a particular person.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Mr. Karson, the Board voted to reconsider its vote from the previous week to approve an advisory opinion, as Ms. Perone Jones will recuse herself.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Mr. Karson, the Board voted to adopt an advisory opinion as amended. Ms. Perone Jones was recused.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Mr. Karson, the Board voted to issue and publish in its entirety on the Ethics Board webpage an advisory opinion subject to any objections by the subjects involved. If an objection is made, the Ethics Board will revisit the issue.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Mr. Karson, the Board voted unanimously to reconvene in public session at 6:51 PM.

Upon motion by Dr. Berenzweig and seconded by Mr. Karson, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM.