

Erie County Ethics Board
Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2022 8:35 a.m:

Budget Conference Room (16th Floor) – Rath Building

Members: ___ Chris Trapp, Chair
 ___ Brian Downey, Vice Chair
 ___ Heather Gresham
 ___ Ellen Kennedy
 ___ Taunya Abaya

Staff: ___ Leslie Ortiz-Fogg, Counsel
 ___ Kayla Witherspoon

Excused:

Others Present:

1. Meeting called to order at 8:35am.
2. February 2022 and March meeting Minutes for review, corrections and approval-motion; seconded
3. Website / Email Updates (Witherspoon/Chair):
 - a. Request for opinions/actions:
 1. Hamburg/DA no follow-up needed
 - b. Updates to website: Minutes, agenda
 - c. FOIL Requests-NONE
 - d. Other communications: Board members signed Non-Disclosure Confidentiality Agreement for 2022
4. Old Business:
 - a. Chief Ethics Officer Update no decision yet
 - b. Distribution of Financial Disclosures: April 1, 2022
 - c. Date for return of completed Disclosures: May 16, 2022
 - d. Conditional Release Commission-no policy-making individuals on staff; not required to sign 2021 Financial Disclosure Form
 - e. Village of Williamsville Update-Downey & Ortiz-Fogg follow up – Trapp will talk with the Village Attorney
 - f. National Child Safety Reading Council letter distributed with EC Sheriff's office letterhead – Board agreed that the letter is not appropriate. Trapp will follow up with the Sheriff's office.
5. New Business:
 - a. Review of Law 2 (2018) and Board of Ethics Rules and Regulations-review 1.6, 10.8 and 4.11 during May meeting
 - b. Next meeting scheduled for Monday May 2, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.
6. Public Comments-NONE
7. Motion to adjourn 9:40am-motion to adjourn by Gresham; seconded by Downey