

Erie County Ethics Board Meeting
Minutes

September 13, 2021 8:30 a.m.:

Conference Room 1601 (16th Floor)- Rath Building

MEMBERS: Steven Schwartz, Chair
Chris Trapp, Vice-Chair
Brian Downey, Secretary
Ellen Kennedy
Heather Gresham

STAFF: Leslie Ortiz-Fogg, Counsel
David Bojanowski, Support Staff
Kayla Witherspoon, Support Staff

EXCUSED: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Ross Kostecky, Legislature Office (recording)

1. Meeting called to order at 8:40 am.
2. July, 2021 Meeting Minutes reviewed and minutes approved on motion of Gresham, seconded by Kennedy. The August, 2021 Meeting was cancelled for lack of agenda items.
3. Website / Email Updates:
 - A. Request for opinions/actions: NONE
 - B. Updates to website: Minutes, agenda; Employee Ethics form removed from website to reduce confusion.
 - C. FOIL Requests: NONE
 - D. Other communications: NONE
4. Old Business:
 - A. Review of outstanding Financial Disclosures to date including candidates for public office. The disclosure of the independent candidate for sheriff was reviewed by Schwartz and Kennedy.
 - B. Results of follow-ups of disclosures:

All disclosures follow-ups are completed.

Motion by Trapp, seconded by Gresham to authorize the Administrative Support Staff to contact people who filled out the Disclosure, but left blank information on questions or pages and record their responses, but the Administrative Support is not authorized to make decisions as to the information. Approved Unanimously.
5. New Business:
 - A. General review of Financial Disclosure for potential changes for 2021:

Proposed changes were made for clarification and consistency.
 - B. Next meeting scheduled for Monday, October 4, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.
6. No Public Comments
7. Motion to adjourn at 9:45 a.m. by Gresham, Seconded by Trapp.