Erie County Ethics Board

Meeting Agenda

July 12, 2023 9:30 a.m:

**ZOOM Meeting Executive Session to discuss candidates for Chief Executive Officer– Hiring Meeting Vote for Chief Ethics Officer**

Members:                                \_X\_Chris Trapp, Chair

                                                \_X\_Brian Downey, Vice Chair

                                                \_X\_Heather Gresham (arrived at 9:45)

                                                \_X\_Ellen Kennedy

                                                \_X\_Taunya Abaya, Secretary

Staff:                                      \_\_\_Aaron Rubin, Counsel

                                               \_X\_William Licata

Excused:

Others Present:

1.  Meeting call to order. **9:30AM**

2. Motion by Downey, seconded by Abaya to go into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing candidates for the position of Chief Ethics Officer.  Approved 4-0.

3.  Motion by Gresham, seconded by Downey to exit from Executive Session.  Approved 5-0.

4.  Motion by Gresham, seconded by Kennedy to extend an offer to Barbara Piazza for the position of Chief Ethics Officer.  Approved 5-0.  The Chair will contact her to extend the offer.  William Licata will coordinate paperwork for new hire with Personnel Department (Mindy Czechowski).  The Chair will contact the other candidates about the position.

5.  A discussion then took place with respect to the August and September meetings and it was determined that the August meeting would take place at which time the new CEO would be present for orientation.  There would be further discussion with respect to any individuals who have not yet submitted their disclosure forms.

6. Public Comments – **No public comments.**

7.  Motion by Abaya, seconded by Downey to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 a.m., approved 5-0.

8.  Next meeting August 7, 2023 at 8:30 a.m., 16th floor ECH – Rath Building