

SUFFOLK COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS
Minutes of Public Meeting Held on
June 20, 2018
In the Office of the Board of Ethics
Sunrise Business Center, 3500 Sunrise Highway, Room 364
Great River, New York 11739

Meeting: *Board Members present:* Eric A. Kopp, Linda A. Spahr, Dennis O’Doherty, Anthony Parlatore, and David Bekofsky. *Staff present:* Samantha Segal, Executive Director, Darlene Mohlmann, Board Secretary, taking minutes, and Phyllis Gagliardi, Part-time Investigator II.

Ascertainment of Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chair, Eric A. Kopp. A roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made by Linda Spahr, seconded by David Bekofsky, to adopt the agenda. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

Adoption of Minutes: A motion was made by Linda Spahr, seconded by Dennis O’Doherty to adopt the minutes of the June 6, 2018 meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

Public Session: Eric A. Kopp opened Public Session. No members of the public were present and no written testimony was submitted. The Executive Director reported one inquiry to the office made by Dave Schwarz from Newsday regarding category of filers for the Suffolk County Office-Track Better Corporation. Eric A. Kopp closed Public Session.

Executive Session: At 9:30 a.m. a motion was made by Eric A. Kopp, seconded by Anthony Parlatore to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Advisory Opinion Request No. AO-2018-11 and conference call for fact-finding in accordance with the Suffolk County Administrative Code §A30-8 and the New York State Open Meetings Law. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

Eric A. Kopp recused from discussion of Advisory Opinion Request No. AO-2018-11 and left the room.

During Executive Session: A motion was made to:

- Approve standing of Advisory Opinion Request No. AO-2018-11. Approved (4-0-1) Eric A. Kopp Recused;
- Approve Advisory Opinion No. AO-2018-11, as amended. Approved (4-0-1) Eric A. Kopp Recused.

Eric A. Kopp returned to the room.

A motion was made by Eric A. Kopp, seconded by Anthony Parlatore, to close Executive Session. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

Chair Report: None.

Executive Director Report: Samantha Segal, Executive Director, reported and/or discussed the following:

- 2019 Budget Request submitted;
- Lobbyist Sworn Statement Initiative Update/ Board Directive:
 - Board reviewed the Clerk of the Legislature’s list of registered lobbyists and directed staff to send letters to all registered lobbyists and officers of registered lobbyists who have yet to file their May 2018 Lobbyist Sworn Statement with the Board;
- 2018 Financial Disclosure Statement Filing Status Update:
 - Board tabled discussion of adjudications for late and non-filers to the July 3rd Agenda;
- FOIL Request Update:
 - FOIL-007-2018 will be completed this week.

Proposed Amendment to the Required Filers Law: Board reviewed the proposed amendment to the required filers law and directed the Executive Director to continue researching positions, referencing civil service duties statements, and include research of auditors and director of auditing services.

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Executive Session: At 10:30 a.m. a motion was made by Eric A. Kopp, seconded by Anthony Parlatore to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pertaining to Counsel Updates, one Public Record Review, one Advisory Opinion Request, one Advisory Opinion, and one personnel matter in accordance with the Suffolk County Administrative Code §A30-8 and the New York State Open Meetings Law. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

During Executive Session:

- The Board made directives to staff in connection with Public Record Review No. PRR-001-2018;
- A motion was made to approve standing of Advisory Opinion Request No. AO-2018-10. Approved (5-0-0); and
- A motion was made to approve Advisory Opinion No. AO-2018-10. Approved (5-0-0).

At 10:42 a.m. a motion was made by Eric A. Kopp, seconded by Linda Spahr, to close Executive Session. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

New Business: Linda Spahr will not be present at the July 18, 2018 Board Meeting. The Executive Director discussed the RFP Waiver Committee minutes with the Board.

The next meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Eric A. Kopp, seconded by Dennis O'Doherty to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0) (10:45 a.m.).