

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
TRUMBULL ETHICS COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 17, 2015

The meeting convened at 5:05 p.m. Present were Thomas Lee, Chairman, Eric Gross, Vice Chairman, Robert Miller, Member and Deacon Sami Bal, Alternate Member.

The Minutes of the prior meeting were moved for acceptance, with no requirement that they be read, by Vice Chairman Eric Gross and seconded by Robert Miller. No discussion ensued and they were unanimously accepted.

The first item of the Agenda concerned a follow up to the prior meeting relating to the request by the First Selectman that the Commission become involved in the project of proposed revisions to the current Trumbull Ethics Code. Some several months, having passed since the request was made by the First Selectman, the Members felt that they had adequate time to think about the request. The discussion on this matter resolved with a consensus opinion that it would be best left to the legislative branch of government, the Town Council in this case, to perform the function of amending or otherwise changing the Ethics Code. It was also the consensus of the Commission that it would recommend that the Town Council, if it undertakes this matter, utilize the services of Attorney Vincent Marino, since he has been very involved in the last complaint and on the issues which arose therein. The Chairman also suggested that if the L & A Committee needed some input, he would be available to provide the same from his perspective, having been involved for many years. The Members felt the Chairman should communicate the results of this discussion and consensus to the First Selectman either verbally or by letter, at his choice.

At approximately 5:20 p.m., Vice Chairman Eric Gross moved that the Commission move into Executive Session for consideration of Complaint #1-2015, pursuant to Section 1-82 of the Connecticut General Statutes and the Code of Ethics of the Town of Trumbull, to determine the jurisdiction or to accept or dismiss the Complaint and discuss the matter concerning the performance of a public officer/public official. The motion was seconded by Robert Miller and unanimously passed.

At 5:45 p.m., the Commission adjourned from Executive Session. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Eric Gross and seconded by Robert Miller to dismiss the Complaint for lack of probable cause and due to the lack of an operable or pertinent section of the Ethics Code claimed to have been violated and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas E. Lee
Chairman

Dated: September 21, 2015