

# ETHICS MINUTES

**Date:** December 28, 2021

**Time:** 6:40pm

**Facilitator:** County Attorney DeWind

## **In Attendance**

Ethics Board Members: Vice Chair Joan Case, Peter Fitch, Reverend Stevens, Charles Davis, County Attorney DeWind (Secretary to the County Attorney Freyvogel-minutes) via ZOOM

## **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Peter Fitch to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2020, was seconded by Reverend Stevens, and were unanimously approved.

## **Board**

Reverend Stevens nominated Joan Case as Chair of the Ethics Board for 2022. Charles Davis seconded the nomination and all attending board members unanimously approved appointing Joan Case to the position of Chair for the upcoming year. Vice Chair Case asked for nominations for Vice Chair and explained what the position entails. Reverend Stevens nominated Charles Davis which was seconded by Peter Fitch, and unanimously approved for the upcoming year.

## **New Business**

Annual Policy Review Attestations and Annual Statements of Financial Disclosures for 2021 were reviewed and completed. The County Attorney's Office will work with Vice Chair Case to notify Board members and County employees in regards to corrections and/or paperwork needed to ensure compliance with the County's ethics policies. Vice Chair asked the letters be completed for her signature at County Attorney DeWind's earliest convenience. County DeWind told Vice Chair Case he would have the letters ready for her signature next week.

## **Announcements**

Attorney DeWind discussed Chair Crannell had tendered a verbal resignation due to moving out of the state and Ron Ciotoli has resigned due to being appointed to the Legislature. The Legislature has nominated Jenny Ceccherelli and Cliff Balliet Jr. to fill Chair Crannell's and the empty seat previously held by Craig Jochum. However, there is still one empty seat and Reverend Stevens's term expires March 31, 2022. Reverend Stevens shared he would not be seeking reappointment after his term expires. County Attorney DeWind stated he is working with Legislative Chair Sauerbrey to fill the open seats and is hoping to diversify the board politically.

Vice Chair Case asked for a list of current board members to be provided to her and the next meeting be held in May or June of 2022. Vice Chair Case made some date suggestions to which June 8, 2022 at 6:30pm was unanimously approved.

## **Next Meeting**

June 8, 2022 at 6:30pm tentatively scheduled for in person at 56 Main Street.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7p.m. by Peter Fitch, seconded by Reverend Stevens, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*Christine Freyvogel*