CITY OF NORWALK
BOARD OF ETHICS
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2016

ATTENDANCE: Michael Church, Chairman; Miklos Koleszar, Esq.; Henry G. Floyd; Kara A. T. Murphy Esq.

ABSENT: Antoinette Williams; Michelle Coppola; Haroldo Williams

ROLL CALL

Chairman Church called the meeting to order at 7:05 p. m., and called the roll. A quorum was present. It was noted that Mr. Williams stated at the September meeting that he would not be able to attend the October meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public came forward to speak.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

JUNE 30, 2016

** MS. MURPHY MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 30, 2016.
** MR. KOLESZAR SECONDED THE MOTION.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH TWO ABSTENTIONS (MS. MURPHY AND MR. FLOYD.)

SEPTEMBER 27, 2016

** MR. KOLESZAR MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2016.
** MR. CHURCH SECONDED THE MOTION.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH TWO ABSTENTIONS (MS. MURPHY AND MR. FLOYD.)

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was brought forward.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss Committees

Mr. Church reviewed the scope of three committees that will be formed, and asked each board member which committee they would like to join. The first committee will identify gaps in the Code of Ethics and recommend modifications. The second committee will create a guide to the Code of Ethics for Department Directors, and the third will facilitate outreach to city employees. Mr. Koleszar, Mr. Floyd, and Ms. Murphy all requested that they be put on the committee that will identify gaps in the Code of Ethics and recommend modifications.

Nominations

Chairman Church stated that the Board of Ethics roster on the City of Norwalk website needs to be updated. He is listed as an alternate member, and there is no Vice-Chair.

** **MR. KOLESZAR MOVED TO REMOVE MR. CHURCH AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER, AND APPOINT MR. CHURCH AS CHAIRMAN.**
** **MS. MURPHY SECONDED THE MOTION.**
** **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ONE ABSTENTION (MR. CHURCH.)**

** **MS. MURPHY MOVED TO APPOINT MR. KOLESZAR AS VICE-CHAIRMAN.**
** **MR. CHURCH SECONDED THE MOTION.**
** **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ONE ABSTENTION (MR. KOLESZAR.)**

Chairman Church stated that Corporate Counsel is considering changing the Board of Ethics meeting schedule to quarterly instead of monthly.

Mr. Koleszar stated that he created an attendance sheet tracking board member attendance over the course of the past calendar year. He also handed out blank Citizen Complaint Forms to each member.

A Tale of Two Downtowns

Mr. Koleszar presented "A Tale of Two Downtowns" which is a hypothetical case dealing with ethical decisions. Discussion followed on the ethical decisions in the case.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session was held.

ADJOURNMENT

** **MR. KOLESZAR MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.**
** **MS. MURPHY SECONDED THE MOTION.**
** **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Blaney
Telesco Secretarial Services