


MINUTES	Thursday November 4, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.	
Board of Ethics Meeting	Commission Room 1st Floor ~ City Hall 224 West Ninth Street Sioux Falls, South Dakota	

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack Marsh, Dan Fritz, Glen Severson, Keith Severson

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Sue Roust

STAFF PRESENT: Stacy Kooistra, City Attorney, and Bonnie Woolam, Board Liaison/Recording Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jack Marsh called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The clerk called the roll. Sue Roust was absent. The Chair noted a quorum with 4 of 5 members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Chair, Jack Marsh called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated September 22, 2021.

Glen Severson made a motion to approve the minutes, motion was seconded by Dan Fritz. No discussion. Vote to Approve 4 Yesses, 0 Noes. Motion passed.

RECOGNITION OF BOARD SERVICE BY WANDA HARRIS

The Chair recognized Wanda Harris for her 6 years of public service to the Board of Ethics. Other members spoke to recognize her contribution. The Chair presented Mrs. Harris with a plaque as a token of appreciation for her service.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

The Chair introduced Keith Severson as the newest member appointed to the Board of Ethics. The Chair thanked him for his service to the Board.

AGENDA ITEMS

The Chair referenced 2 items of business for the board expressing that item 4B would be under executive session and offered an opportunity for public input in advance of the agenda items and indicated that there would be an additional opportunity at the conclusion of item 4B.

PUBLIC INPUT

The Chair called for anyone who wished to offer public input. David Zokaites addressed the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

The Chair requested advice of Ethics Board counsel as to the powers and role of the Board of Ethics in the review and discussion of Agenda item 4A. Advice to the Board was provided by City Attorney Stacy Kooistra.

Discussion was had between Councilor Brekke and the Board. The Board expressed that they are in favor of and support the concept of ethics training but were hesitant to endorse any specific ordinance and did not wish to become an endorsing body for proposed legislation. No motions were offered by Board members and having no further comment the item was closed without action by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

The Chair requested that legal counsel outline the authority for the Board to enter executive session to review item 4B on the agenda. Attorney Kooistra cited SDCL 1-25-2.1 and 1-25-2.3 as well as the Rule of Procedure 2.07 for the Board of Ethics as the authority of the Board to enter executive session.

A motion to enter executive session was made by Keith Severson and Seconded by Dan Fritz. No discussion. Vote to Approve 4 yesses 0 noes. Motion to enter executive session carried.

The room was cleared and the Board went into executive session at approximately 3:52 pm.

The Board came out of executive session at 4:54 pm.

A motion was made on the record to come out of executive session by Glen Severson and Seconded by Dan Fritz. No discussion. Vote to approve 4 yesses 0 noes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

The Chair offered the opportunity for additional Public Input. No one came forward.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further comments and no new business, the Chair called for a Motion to Adjourn. Motion to Adjourn offered by Keith Severson, seconded by Dan Fritz. No discussion. Vote to approve, 4 yesses, 0 noes. Motion to Adjourn carried.

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Woolam
Recording Clerk