

Minutes Nassau County Board of Ethics  
Public Session

Meeting date and place: February 28, 2019 at 7:00 A.M.  
One West Street, Mineola, New York 11501

Board Members Present: Kenneth L. Gartner, Chair  
Jared A. Kasschau, County Attorney  
Michael Pernick, Member  
Christopher Devane, Member  
Daniel Palmieri, Member

Board Counsel: Steven G. Leventhal

Secretary to the Board: Nicholas Vevante, Deputy County Attorney, taking minutes

Also in attendance: Representatives from the Nassau County Comptroller's Office and  
Ned Schwartz, Deputy Inspector General

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The meeting was called to order at 7:04 a.m. All members of the Board were present except for Judge Gartner and so there was a quorum. Judge Gartner arrived at 8:18.

The first item was the adoption of the minutes from the January 30, 2019 meeting. Mr. Pernick moved, and Judge Palmeri seconded adopting the minutes. The vote passed 4-0 with Judge Gartner absent at the time of the vote.

Mr. Vevante then gave an update for the electronic filing of a financial disclosure forms for the fiscal year 2018. The Board Members and Counsel suggested a few minor changes to the system. Mr. Kasschau moved, and Mr. Pernick seconded that the Board use the electronic filing system for the fiscal year of 2018 filing as long as the minor changes were made. Mr. Vevante assured the Board that those changes would be made. Mr. Leventhal suggested that voluntary seminars be setup to help people with the new electronic filing system in April or May. It was noted that if there were any filers that spoke a language other than English they should have access to language assistance. Also, any notification of the electronic system will include assurances that the system will ensure the privacy of the filers to the same level as those currently afforded to them.

Mr. Leventhal informed the Board that he would circulate a draft of the annual report before the next meeting for the Board's approval.

Mr. Kasschau moved to go into executive session to have an attorney-client consultation. Mr. Devane seconded. The motion was passed unanimously at 7:25. The vote passed 4-0 with Judge Gartner absent at the time of the vote.

At 9:33 the Mr. Kasschau moved to adjourn the executive session and was seconded by Judge Palmeri, it carried unanimously.

Mr. Schwartz from the Inspector General's Office introduced himself to the Board. The next meeting discussion of the proposed Code of Ethics was brought up. Mr. Schwartz mentioned that his office may have some thoughts or comments. Mr. Leventhal said he would meet with Mr. Schwartz before the meeting focused on the proposed Code of Ethics to get his thoughts.

At 9:40 Mr. Kasschau moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Judge Palmeri. The motion carried unanimously.