

TOWN ETHICS COMMISSION
WORKSESSION MINUTES

December 18, 2017

Persons present:

James Lawson, Chair
Evelyn Chung, Commission member
John R. Fleder, Commission member
Ron Bolt, Town Attorney

Residents present:

None

On December 18, 2017, at 4:00 p.m., in the Town Hall, the Town Ethics Commission met to welcome a new appointee, Evelyn Chung, and to discuss the roles and responsibilities of the Commission and pertinent deadlines. Mr. Bolt reviewed the requirements of the Maryland Open Meetings Act and Public Information Act.

Amendments were made to the State Ethics Law in the 2017 Legislative Session, resulting in a need to review and amend the Town Ethics Ordinance. The Commission discussed the required and optional amendments, as outlined by the State Ethics Commission in its letter to the Town. Mr. Bolt prepared a draft ordinance to amend the Town Code, based on the amendments to the State law. The draft was discussed. The Commission also discussed prospective amendments to the Town's form financial disclosure statement.

The Commission asked Mr. Bolt to revise the draft ordinance according to the Commission's discussion, and to further review the prospective amendments to the Town's form financial disclosure statement. Hearing no objection, Mr. Lawson adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:00 p.m.



James Lawson, Chair