

**Town of Ridgefield Board of Ethics Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday January 3, 2024 at 7:00pm**

**Town Hall Lower-Level Small Conference Room**

**400 Main Street Ridgefield, Connecticut**

**APPROVED**

Present: G. McLaughlin (Chair), M. Pallai, J. Zembron (Secretary), J. Carroll, Y. Tzamouranis and G. Harrington (Alternate)

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:00pm.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to accept the draft minutes of the Board's September 6, 2023, October 19, 2023 and November 6, 2023 meetings which was seconded by the Secretary and unanimously approved.

The topic of the election of officers for 2024 was introduced by the Chair. Following discussion, J. Carroll moved to re-elect G. McLaughlin as Chair, which was seconded by the Secretary, and to re-elect J. Zembron as Secretary which was seconded by the Chair with both motions approved unanimously.

With respect to New Business, the Chairman indicated that the meeting would now move from being open to the public to a non-public meeting to consider a request dated December 21, 2023 for an Advisory Opinion (AO).

In advance of the meeting, the Chair shared with the Board correspondence received with respect to the AO, including clarifications made by the requestor as to certain items. A general discussion followed at the conclusion of which the Chair summarized the Board's conclusions and called for a motion to approve them subject to the conclusions being memorialized in writing. The motion was seconded by the Secretary and approved unanimously.

The Chair indicated that he would circulate a draft AO among the members prior to issuance to ensure agreement with the final report.

There being no other items of New Business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30pm on a motion made by J. Carroll, seconded by Chair and agreed unanimously.