

Ethics Committee Meeting
September 19, 2022
Via Zoom

In Attendance:

Committee members: Alex Ghesquiere, Marc Efron, Lorie Mitchell

Council members: Susan Fattig (Council liaison)

Village Manager: Niles Anderegg

7:03 – Quorum established, and the meeting was called to order.

Lorie welcomed the Committee members and informed the group that Councilmember Susan Fattig would serve as Council liaison.

First-order of business – The Committee discussed leadership roles for the new term. Marc nominated Lorie to serve as chair and Alex to serve as vice-chair, and the Committee unanimously agreed.

Second-order of business- The Committee discussed scheduling ethics training for Village volunteers covered by the ethics ordinance and agreed to propose that training take place in October. Reviewing the ethics training conducted for the Election Committee in February, Marc suggested that the Committee increase the time allotted for future training sessions from 30 to 45 minutes. Additionally, Marc proposed that the Committee offer the Council ethics training. Lorie and Alex concurred with Marc's suggestions. Susan offered to ascertain Councilmember interest and availability in attending an ethics training session.

Third-order of business - The Committee discussed the review of Village COI questionnaires and Oath of Office forms, which Niles has agreed to compile and send to the Committee via email. Currently, two Village volunteers have not submitted the required documents but have agreed to do so by early next week. Lorie will follow up with Niles to ensure all forms have been completed. Lorie noted that the Committee Review Process SOP approved at the end of last year's term required updating and suggested the topic be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

New business/additional Committee discussion- Council liaison Susan Fattig asked the Committee to consider making a recommendation to the Council to expand the ethics ordinance to apply to all Village volunteers. After a brief discussion of the pros and cons of said recommendation, Marc suggested the Committee seek the advice of the Council prior to further consideration of the matter. Lorie agreed to initiate a Council discussion on the topic at the September Council meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, December 5th, at 7 pm.

7:35- The meeting was adjourned.