

## **ETHICS COMMITTEE AGENDA**

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024 AT 1:00 PM

# MUNICIPAL BUILDING COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 106 JONES STREET, WATERTOWN, WI 53094

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Each individual who would like to address the Committee will be permitted up to three minutes for their comments

## 3. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Review and approve minutes from September 15, 2023
- B. Convene into closed session per Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(h) for consideration of requests for confidential written advice from any county or municipal ethics board under s. 19.59(5) (potential conflict as a voting board member)
- C. Reconvene into open session
- Review and take action: approval of proposed course of action in potential conflict as a voting board member
- E. Convene into closed session per Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(h) for consideration of requests for confidential written advice from any county or municipal ethics board under s. 19.59(5) (soliciting specific donations for a fundraising project)
- F. Reconvene into open session
- G. Review and take action: approve soliciting specific donations for a fundraising project

## 4. OLD BUSINESS

## 5. ADJOURNMENT

Persons requiring other reasonable accommodations for any of the above meetings, may contact the office of the City Clerk at mdunneisen@watertownwi.gov, phone 920-262-4006

A quorum of any City of Watertown Council, Committee, Board, Commission, or other body, may be present at this meeting for observing and gathering of information only

Section 3. Item A.



# ETHICS COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes Municipal Building Council Chambers 106 Jones Street Watertown, WI 53094 Friday, September 15, 2023 at 1:00 PM

**Members Present:** Brenda Kujawski, Mike Nienow and Renee Westphall **Others Present:** City Attorney Steven T. Chesebro

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 1:01 p.m.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comments were heard.

#### 3. NEW BUSINESS

## A. Review and approve Minutes from June 30, 2023

Brenda Kujawski made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Renee Westphall. Unanimously passed.

- B. Review and discuss: how to respond to complaints when contacted
- C. Convene into closed session per Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel of the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. (Update re: Pride in the Park, July 2023)

Brenda Kujawski made a motion for closed session, seconded by Renee Westphall. Roll call vote all in approval. Objected to by Tom Levi on the basis that the Ethics Committee is not a decision-making authority and should not meet with an attorney regarding course of action to take regarding litigation. Based on Objection, Renee Westphall made a Motion to table letter C, seconded by Brenda Kujawski. Unanimously passed

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

None.

### 5. ADJOURNMENT

Brenda Kujawski made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Renee Westphall. Unanimously passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven T. Chesebro City Attorney

Note: The minutes are uncorrected. Any correction made thereto will be noted in the minutes of the proceedings at which these minutes are approved.