Town of East Windsor Ethics Commission Special Meeting Minutes September 8, 2015

(UNAPPROVED)

Commission Members
Kathy Bilodeau
Tom Burnham
Nancy Masters
Al Penland, Secretary
Mark Simmons, Chairman

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. The Chair noted that all members were present. The Chair also noted that Selectman Dearborn was not present, and indicated that an invitation had been mailed to Selectman Dearborn inviting him to either attend the Executive Session of the meeting or to make the entire meeting public if he so wished.

A motion was made (K. Bilodeau) and seconded (T. Burnham) to move into Executive Session, and to include in that Session Attorney Hawks-Ladds for the purpose of legal advice. In favor – unanimous.

Entered into Executive Session – 7:03 p. m. Executive Session was closed at 9:02 p. m.

After returning to the regular agenda The Chair read into the record the entire letter inviting Selectmen to this meeting.

A motion was made (K. Bilodeau) and seconded (T. Burnham) to deny the motion to disqualify Attorney Hawks-Ladds from representing this Commission with prejudice. In favor - unanimous

A motion was made (K. Bilodeau) and seconded (T. Burnham) to deny motion to dismiss with prejudice.

In favor – unanimous

A motion was made (N. Masters) and seconded (A. Penland) to recommend to the Town of East Windsor Board of Selectmen, in accordance with section 4.3.d of the Town of East Windsor Code of Ethics as follows:

That the Board of Selectmen publically censure Selectman Steven A. Dearborn for violating the Town of East Windsor Code of Ethics Sections 3.1a, 3.2 and 3.8 due to his public comments at Board of Selectmen meetings on personnel matters involving Town of East Windsor employees, and for violating Sections 3.1 and 3.5 of the Town of East Windsor Code of Ethics by his conduct at the April 7, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting relating to the March 24, 2015 letter from the Town's Assistant Town Planner, Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer to Selectmen Dearborn's tenant, Scott Transportation. And that a written memorandum regarding this recommendation will be filed with the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk by September 25, 2015.

In favor – unanimous.

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A motion was made (K. Bilodeau) and seconded (T. Burnham) to recommend to the Town of East Windsor Board of Selectmen that Selectman Dearborn attend training programs on the following: Ethics Training, Freedom of Information Training and Roberts Rules of Order Training.

In favor – unanimous.

A motion was made (A. Penland) and seconded (T. Burnham) to adjourn. In favor – unanimous

Special Meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.