

Approved: July 13, 2010

**BOARD OF ETHICS  
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES  
June 8, 2010**

Chairman Barbara Hunter called a Board of Ethics meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the meeting room of the New Durham Town Hall on Main Street.

**Present:**

Barbara Hunter, Chairman; Marcia Clark; Mike Gelinis  
Absent but sending regrets: Skip Fadden, Jan Bell

**Also present:** Cathy Orlowicz Priscilla E. Lee, Recording Clerk

**INTRODUCTION:** Board members introduced themselves to those present. Members were polled on the meeting's agenda. All were in agreement. No additional agenda items were offered.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** May 11, 2010 minutes were approved as presented. Mike moved the motion; seconded by Marcia. The vote was unanimous.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Members discussed the addition of RSA numbers in BOE documents, defining words such as „miss use“ and whether BOE documents deal only with employees on the job or using town resources; the fine points of „freedom of expression“ and when to consult legal council. Marcia suggested a seminar on ethics for employees stressing the fine points of RSA 98-E2 about freedom of expression leading the BOE to admit to confusion about what is affected. Marcia asserts that questions should initially be addressed to the selectmen before consulting legal council. Mike proposed a list of articles which need to be discussed and clarified. “Knowing the Territory” by New Hampshire Local Government Center as well as several other informative narratives were distributed by Cathy Orlowicz.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mike made a motion allowing distribution of legal correspondence requested by the BOE before a meeting. Such correspondence will be labeled “Confidential”. Marcia seconded the motion which was followed by a unanimous vote. This vote allows members to receive informational documents needed for decision making during subsequent meetings before the meeting occurs.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** The Ethics Ordinance presentation development was passed over until Skip Fadden is present.

**SCHEDULED NEXT MEETING:** Next meeting will be Tuesday July 13 at 6:30 pm at the Town Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mike motioned for adjournment, seconded by Marcia. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Priscilla E. Lee

**LIST OF QUESTIONS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION**

1. Section 1A-II and VIII: influencing elections and appearances before the BOE
  2. Sections IV complaints
  3. Section IV-I-v
  4. Authority-Does COE apply to employees not on time clock or not using town resources?
  5. Clarify definitions of : „miss use“ , „appearance“ , conflict of interest of town“ s board members
- Cathy Orlowicz agreed with the above items but adds: limit power of BOE. She feels the COE could overstep the

power of elected officials