

**TOWN OF OLD LYME
ETHICS COMMISSION**

**Minutes of Regular Quarterly Meeting Town Hall
Tuesday, January 19, 2010**

R. Whitcomb called meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Members Present M. O'Brien, B. Hautaniemi, G. Peduzzi, D. Basler, R. Staab (alternate)

- No press was present
- No members of the public were present

A. Minutes of October 20, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved - Motion made by M. O'Brien, seconded by B. Hautaniemi

B. Public Comment

- none

C. Correspondence with Barry Harrison, Ombudsman

- R. Whitcomb spoke to Jack Collins, chair of Formation Committee
- Formation Committee never intended to exclude certain groups from using town hall for meetings
- Motion to research amending the Code by modifying Section 43-4 in the following manner: "Political Activity. No public employee or public official or candidate for elected office of the town shall utilize town funds, supplies, vehicles, or facilities for the purpose of any (1) campaign activities, (2) directed/specific actions/efforts by organized groups to influence pending referendums, and/or (3) political fundraising efforts." Motion made by G. Peduzzi, seconded by D. Basler. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Discuss appointment of an alternate

- Motion to appoint Laurie O'Brien as an alternate to replace G. Peduzzi with a term to expire 1/31/2011. Motion made by R. Whitcomb, seconded by Hautaniemi. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Any other business

- Reviewed correspondence from T. Griswold regarding certification of Code of Ethics
- Ethics Commission on town budget as a line item

F. Motion to adjourn made by G. Peduzzi, seconded by M. O'Brien at 8:23 p.m.

Submitted by, G. Peduzzi

January 25, 2010

Next meeting of Ethics Commission – April 20, 2010

