

## ADA TOWNSHIP ETHICS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jon Sarb at 5:45 p.m. Members present: Chair Jon Sarb, Supervisor Haga, Clerk Burton, Treasurer Rhoades, Keith Wolverton, and Mary Oele. Absent: Brian Schiffelbein and Carol Seacord. Note: Carol Seacord arrived at 6:15 p.m.

It was mentioned by Supervisor Haga that at the April meeting, not only did he make motions, but he, Clerk Burton and Treasurer Rhoades all voted. It was his suggestion that, at this meeting, all the voting be redone with only the voting members Sarb, Wolverton, Oele, Schiffelbein and Seacord.

Since the Board was missing one voting member to have a quorum, it was decided to continue the meeting with no action being taken until at least one more member arrived.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion for changes to be made to the Ethics Board's Ada Township Standards of Conduct for Public Officers and Employees. Temporary agreement was reached on the following: "public officer" would be changed to "public official" throughout the document. Section 1, (a) "Board" means Ethics Board throughout the document. (b) Strike wording "or a subdivision of Ada Township". (d) Re-wording as presented in review document, suggested by Keith Wolverton. (e) Re-wording as presented in review document. **15.342 Public officer or employee; prohibited conduct** - eliminate. Section 2, (1) re-wording as presented in review document. (2) Re-wording as presented in review document. (4) "A public official or employee shall be prohibited from the following: (1) and (2) of Part II. The Board was unable to finish reviewing the document due to lack of time, and planned to resume at Section 2B, pg 3 at the next meeting.

Member Carol Seacord arrived at 6:15 pm. (Amended time in red) Chair Sarb called the meeting to order again at that time.

Motion by Seacord, support by Wolverton to approve agenda. 4-Yes, 0-No, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Wolverton, support by Oele to amend the 4/20/09 minutes as discussed. 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Wolverton, support by Seacord to accept changes as discussed to be included in subsequent **Standards of Conduct** documents. 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent. Motion carried.

## BOARD COMMENT None PUBLIC COMMENT None

Motion by Seacord, support by Wolverton to complete the review of **The Standards of Conduct for Public** *Officials* **and Employees** at the next meeting on Monday, October 5, 2009. 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent. Motion carried.

## ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sarb adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Susan Burton Ada Township Clerk