ST. MARY'S COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION St. Mary's County Potomac Building

Minutes of April 20, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joseph B. Bush, Chair

Robert W. Denning, Vice Chair George E. Baroniak, Member Robert E. Elwood, Member

Elizabeth Long, Alternate Member Sarah Cannavo, Administrative Support

MEMBERS ABSENT: Arthur F. Goeller, Member

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bush at 2:06 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<u>Next Meeting:</u> The next meeting will be held on May 4, 2009 in conference room 14 of the Potomac Building.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes for Open Session of April 6, 2009: The open session minutes were not prepared. Mr. Bush will work on them and have them by the next meeting.

<u>Minutes for Executive Session of April 6, 2009:</u> Mr. Elwood made a motion to accept the minutes with correction to members present. Motion seconded by Mr. Denning and carried.

Minutes for Executive Session of April 9, 2009 (Emergency Session): Mr. Elwood made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Baroniak seconded the motion and it was carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>Advisory Opinion Request (AO 2009-01):</u> The Commission continued to review material related to Advisory Opinion / Complaint 2009-01.

Executive Session: Mr. Elwood made a motion to move into Executive Session as provided for in Article 25, Section 4-210(a) (1) Boards and Commissions and the St. Mary's County Ethics Ordinance Rules of Procedure, Section 7. The motion was seconded by Mr. Denning. Motion carried, 5-0.

Executive Session: 2:10 p.m. to 3:48 p.m.

Mr. Elwood made a motion to close the Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Denning and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Request for Information under the Freedom of Information Act: a request for all information was received from the Public Information Act. Members are required to turn over all documentation in their possession (email, notes, minutes, phone logs, etc) as outlined in the request. Mrs. Cannavo will collect the information and provide it to the County Attorney, who in turn will provide the material to the requester.

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS:

Reviewed: There are no Financial Disclosures Statements for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Ms. Long to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Denning and the motion was carried. The St. Mary's County Ethics Commission was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.