

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

Minutes of April 4, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert W. Denning, Chair
Robert E. Elwood, Vice Chair
Elizabeth Long, Member
Sean Rogers, Member
Kathy Suite, Alternate Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Sarah Cannavo, Staff Support
George Sparling, County Attorney

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Karin Bailey, Member

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Denning at 2:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on April 18, 2011, in Conference Room 14 of the Potomac Building.

Ms. Long informed the members that she would be unable to attend the April 18, 2011, meeting.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes for Open Session of March 21, 2011: Ms. Suite made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Ms. Long and carried.

Minutes for Executive Session of March 21, 2011: Mr. Elwood made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Ms. Suite and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Regional Ethics Training: Mr. Elwood will prepare a draft agenda for the regional training conference. He will also check with the other counties to see if any would like to do give a presentation during the training. Mr. Rogers, who will be providing a presentation on behalf of St. Mary's County, stated that he would need approximately 45 minutes.

NEW BUSINESS:

County Ethics Ordinance and County Code: Members discussed the County Ethics Ordinance and the County Code (Chapter 158) that covers the Ethics Commission. Mr. Sparling explained that Chapter 158 of the County Code is simply the codified version of the Ethics Ordinance which is posted on the webpage. The only difference in the two documents is how the paragraphs are numbered. Members agreed that the County Code version (Chapter 158) is what should be used and posted on the Ethics Commission webpage. Ms. Cannavo will update the webpage.

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS:

Financial Disclosure Statements were reviewed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Elwood to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Long and the motion was carried. The St. Mary's County Ethics Commission meeting was adjourned at 2:26 PM.