

Minutes of the Cecil County Ethics Commission

February 18, 2013

4 P.M., Cecil Co. Administrative Bldg.

Meeting convened on 2/18/2013 at the Cecil Co. Administrative Bldg. HR conference Room, Elkton, MD 21921.

In attendance: Valerie Falcioni (Chair), Bruce Hemphill, Mike Dixon, Bob Boonstoppel, Walter Rozanski

OPEN SESSION

Old Business:

-Update on the Status of whether or not to send a cover letter to potential lobbyists: It was agreed to ask Jason Allison to meet with the Commission regarding this matter.

-Update on status of budget for next year: did not receive an answer yet. To Contact A. Wein or Craig Whiteford for update.

-Any other old Business: The topic of Open meetings was again mentioned. Discussion centered on how to set up the agenda to accommodate the public without compromising the confidential aspects of the meeting. Everyone on the board thought that dividing the agenda to start with the open part of the meeting and then to close the meeting to discuss confidential subjects was the most effective way to abide by the Open Meeting Law. It was also agreed that posting the dates and location on the county website should satisfy the requirement to publicize the meeting to the public.

New Business:

-Discussed the need to begin reviewing disclosure forms. Among the few disclosures received, there was also one lobby registration filed by a business, the first such registration in the history of Cecil County.

-The meeting adjourned. Next meeting to be held Monday March 18, 2013, 4 P.M. at the County Administrative Bldg.