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OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS

**THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL ETHICS
CITIZEN'S ETHICS ADVISORY BOARD
OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS
18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, CT 06106**

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2018 REGULAR MEETING

The Subcommittee on Municipal Ethics of the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board ("Subcommittee") of the Office of State Ethics ("OSE") held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2018, in the 5th Floor Conference Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, CT 06106.

The Chair of the Subcommittee Mary Bigelow called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.

The following Subcommittee members were present:

Mary Bigelow, Chair
Beth Cook
Cheryl Lipson

The following staff members of the OSE were present:

Peter Lewandowski, Associate General Counsel
Alaaeldin Ali, IT Analyst, Temporary Clerk of the Board

The following topics were addressed during the meeting:

1. The minutes of the June 21, 2018 Regular Meeting were presented to the Subcommittee for approval.

On the motion of Ms. Cook, seconded by Ms. Lipson, the Board voted two (2) to zero (0) with one (1) abstention to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2018 Regular Meeting.

2. The Subcommittee discussed municipal ethics with James Butler, Executive Director of the Southeastern CT Council of Governments (SCCOG). Key topics discussed: Importance of ethics policies on the SCCOG level; regionalization of ethics matters; concerns regarding regionalized enforcement of ethics complaints; whether elected municipal officials should be treated differently under a local ethics code than municipal employees; recent municipal ethics matters that received public attention; working with other entities to promote stronger ethical culture; and the SCCOG member participation in the OSE's municipal ethics survey.

3. Associate General Counsel Lewandowski updated the Subcommittee on the pending survey to municipalities. Discussed possible outreach to Connecticut Councils of Governments to increase survey responses.

On the motion of Ms. Lipson, seconded by Ms. Cook, the Subcommittee voted three (3) to zero (0) to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Peter Lewandowski".

Peter Lewandowski
Associate General Counsel
Office of State Ethics

Date approved
(By the Subcommittee of the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board)