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ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, May 17, 2023 6:00 PM

Location: Weare Town Office Conference Room 15 Flanders Memorial Road, Weare

<u>Agenda</u>

- 1. Call Meeting to Order: Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Amendments to the Agenda
- 3. Minutes (Amendments, approval)
 - May 5 minutes
- 4. Follow up on action items:
 - Web contents design (Wendy)
 - Legal Outreach nonpublic forms (Luke)
- 5. Topic Discussion: Transparency with Confidentiality inquiry / complaint continued? (Depending on Legal advice)
- 6. Topics for future Discussions:
 - Transparency with Confidentiality How can the committee be transparent, yet protect citizen's right to privacy?
 - Right to Know What are the limits when it comes to ethics complaints?
 - Disclosure How does the committee ensure both employees/elected officials understand what to disclose when? and how?
 - Timelines What is a reasonable response time?
 - Hearing The committee has the power to hold a hearing. What would that look like and who has access?
 - Subpoena The board has the power to require employees/elected officials to appear. What are the repercussions when people choose not to appear?
 - Communication How to communicate with other committees? The community at large?
 - Inquiries Do citizens need to fill out a written inquiry form to ask a simple question? Or can they do so at a meeting?
 - Spring Training / Education Meeting