Town of Weare Ethics Committee

October 18, 2023

Members Present:

Neal Kurk (NK), Wendy Curry (WC), Eileen Meaney (EM) Luke Drake (LD).

Members Absent:

Suzanne Couhie (SC).

- 1. Call to Order: 6:05 pm
- 2. Reviewed agenda for 10/18/23.
- 3. Reviewed minutes from the meeting held on 9/20/23- WC mentioned there were difficulties with formatting so minutes delivered in alternate format. No revisions noted.

NK made a motion and LD seconded to accept minutes as written.

Minutes accepted by LD, NK, WC

EM abstained.

- 4. Discussion of town counsel review of ethic process documents.
 - Accepted all revisions except the time frame of two years for case acceptance.
 - LD made motion to accept documents as revised- NK seconded. Passed by unanimous vote Documents titled and attached ECP1 and ECP3.
- 5. Correspondence: WC received email from Weare Police Chief Moore requesting to attend the meeting on 10/18/23 to discuss a potential ethics concern. WC contacted Chief Moore to explain that the committee is not yet prepared to accept inquiries or complaints but should be ready within a short time to do so. EC discussed having the Chief attend the meeting scheduled for 10/25. Discussion centered on approving and posting process documents and forms on Weare town website so that the Chief, as well as any other interested parties could equally avail themselves of the opportunity to have a inquiry or complaint noted.

Secretary will complete minutes and attach updated documents so that a completed process and forms can be uploaded to the town website as soon as possible.

WC also received correspondence from the "Weare in the World" local publication asking about status of committee. EC agreed that WC can communicate that process and forms are complete and will be available at town of Weare website shortly.

- 6. Other business: education requirement. Discussion pertaining to the annual education requirement outlined in town warrant. EC will focus upcoming meetings on developing education focused on how to utilize the ethics committee process. Proposed idea of once developed it could be recorded via chanel 6/youtube for use by town officials.
- 7. Meeting schedule: Discussion regarding meeting schedule and agenda moving forward.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10/25 at 6pm Meetings in November and December to be held the first and third Wednesday

11/1 at 7:00pm 11/15 at 6:00pm 12/6 at 6:00pm 12/20 at 6:00pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen P. Meaney

