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MINUTES BOARD OF ETHICS Council Chamber September 8, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

The Board of Ethics meeting was held on Thursday, September 8, 2016, at the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:43 p.m. by Chairman Gaudio.

Members Present:

Chairman Anthony Gaudio
Steve Ostrega
Matthew Lagodzinski

Staff Present:

Kathy Thake, Legal Assistant
Christopher Cohen, Inspector General

Members Absent:

Carol Bagley

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Ostrega made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lagodzinski, to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2016, meeting; on voice vote all concurred.

Inspector General Cohen joined the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

New Business

Inspector General's Report on Ethics Complaint 2016-01 Regarding Term Limits

Inspector General Cohen presented his report and spoke to specific points in regards to his report. In drafting the report Inspector General Cohen stated he has reviewed legal opinions that have been provided to the Village. In addition Inspector General Cohen focused on page 9 of the report on an excerpt from the Illinois Constitution. Inspector General Cohen highlighted the alleged accusations and stated that he did not uncover any evidence of wrong doing. Chairman Gaudio applauded the Inspector General on his detailed report. Mr. Lagodzinski questioned as to who has received this report. Inspector General Cohen stated the complainant Mr. Makula and the accused Mayor Przybylo. No response was received from the complainant.

Mr. Ostrega made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lagodzinski, to dismiss Complaint 2016-01 within the purview of no violations against the Niles Code of Ethics; on voice vote all concurred.

Comments from the Public

None

Executive Session

Motion made by Mr. Ostrega to move into executive session at 6:06 p.m. to discuss newly submitted complaint #2016-02, seconded by Mr. Lagodzinski; on voice vote all concurred.

Motion to reconvene at 6:45 p.m. was made by a unanimous vote; all concurred.

Reconvene in Open Session

Motion to reconvene in open session at 6:45 p.m. was made by a unanimous vote.

Next Meeting

A meeting is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 20, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. in the council chambers.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lagodzinski seconded by Mr. Ostrega; all concurred and the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Kathy M. Thake
Board of Ethics Secretary