

Albany County Ethics Commission Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2024 3:00pm
Room 940
Albany County Office Building
112 State Street, Albany, NY 12207

Meeting conducted in person

In attendance: Bryan Best- Member, Bernard Malone- Member, James Melita- Member, Eugenie Devine, Sia Googas- Ethics Counsel, Patrick Collins- Legislative Assistant

4 of 4 members present- quorum present

Meeting was called to order by Secretary Melita at 3:13 p.m.

1. Reviewed the meeting minutes from the April 10, 2024 meeting, a motion was made by Mr. Melita to adopt the minutes without modification. The motion was seconded by Mr. Malone, and the meeting minutes were adopted unanimously.
2. Election of Officers
 - a. Mr. Malone moved to elect Mr. Melita as Chairman, Mr. Best seconded the motion, the vote passed with one abstention.
 - b. Mr. Melita moved to elect Mr. Best as Chairman, Mr. Malone seconded the motion, the vote passed with one abstention.
3. An update on the return of the 2023 Financial Disclosure Forms was provided by Mr. Collins.
 - a. A motion was made by Mr. Malone to direct the Clerk of the Legislature to reach out individually to any required filers who have not completed the Financial Disclosure Forms, Mr. Best seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.
 - b. The Ethics Commission members were provided a packet of Financial Disclosure Forms and instructed to return them to the Clerk of the Legislature once they were reviewed.
4. The Ethics Commission reviewed the draft Dismissal Determination to the Ethics Complaint submitted on March 13, 2024. A motion to adopt the Dismissal Determination subject to further review by Chairman Melita was made by Mr. Best. The motion was seconded by Mr. Malone. The motion passed unanimously.
5. The Ethics Commission discussed its next meeting and a tentative date was set for September 25th at 3pm.
6. Motion to adjourn – Mr. Best moved to adjourn, Mr. Devine seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting ended at 3:33 pm.