Minutes Nassau County Board of Ethics Public Session

Meeting date and place: October 10, 2019 at 7:30 A.M.

One West Street, Mineola, New York 11501

Board Members Present: Kenneth L. Gartner, Chair

Jared A. Kasschau, County Attorney

Michael Pernick, Member Christopher Devane, Member Daniel Palmieri, Member

Board Counsel: Steven G. Leventhal

Secretary to the Board: Nicholas Vevante, Deputy County Attorney, taking minutes

Also in attendance: Representatives from the Nassau County Comptroller's Office and

the Inspector General's Office

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 a.m. All members of the Board were present.

The first item was the adoption of the minutes from the September 3, 2019 meeting. Mr. Gartner moved, and Mr. Devane seconded adopting the minutes. The vote passed 4-1 with Mr. Pernick voting against adoption.

Mr. Vevante then gave an update for the filing of a financial disclosure forms for the reporting year 2018. He informed the Board that there were 4 outstanding filers which would be discussed in executive session. He also mentioned that he gave the filers who asked for exemptions and whose request was decided on at the last meeting until October 28, 2019 to file.

The Board then reviewed the Comptroller's Audit report that was finished April 10, 2019 in anticipation that the Comptroller would do a follow up. At the end of the meeting representatives from the Comptroller's Office gave the Board members, counsel, and secretary a letter indicating that a follow-up review was occurring. Mr. Leventhal will draft a response to the letter for approval of the Board at the next meeting.

There was then a discussion about a flyer to be circulated to the officers and employees of the County discussing certain ethical prohibitions relating to gifts. This flyer is meant to be a reminder to the officers and employees in light of the upcoming holiday season.

Mr. Devane moved to go into executive session to discuss advisory opinions and special counsel selection. Mr. Kasschau seconded. The motion was passed unanimously at 8:11.

At 9:57 the Board resumed the public session and Mr. Kasschau moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Gartner. The motion carried unanimously.