

**Clayton County Board of Ethics
Meeting Minutes (Amended)**

July 8, 2024

6:30 PM

Meeting Facilitator: Marla Thompson-Kendall

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT - CCBOE members Marla Thompson-Kendall (Chair), Walter Nix, Robert Bell, Karen Sullivan, Trinelle Gillespie. PRESENT - Ryan Shaw (Clayton County Human Services), Jim Elliott (Board Attorney). ABSENT – Marcus Thorpe.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The June 10, 2024 meeting minutes were read and approved, as amended. June 20, 2024 Special Called meeting minutes were read and approved.

June 10 Motion to approve: Nix **Second:** Bell

June 20 Motion to approve: Bell **Second:** Nix

PENDING BUSINESS: Attorney Jim Elliott will copy the Board on the letter of dismissal to Ms. Farr regarding her Clayton County Water Authority complaint that did not fall under the jurisdiction of the Ethics Board.

NEW BUSINESS: Thompson-Kendall will confirm with Chuck Reed about the actual responsibilities of the Board regarding the hiring of next year's replacement board members. Two new complaints were received and Chair Thompson-Kendall read them openly before entering Executive Session.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Four Clayton County citizens attended the meeting and made comments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Next meeting date is August 12, 2024 at 6:30 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: **Motion to close meeting and begin Executive Session 6:59pm:** Nix **Second:** Bell

Executive Session 7:02pm – 7:27pm

Motion to resume open meeting 7:28pm: Nix **Second:** Sullivan

Recommendations from Executive Session Complaint **EC#209:** No formal action taken. The Board cannot investigate themselves, as it would be a conflict of interest. Mr. Elliott will refer the complaint to the county attorney. **EC#210:** Thompson-Kendall recused herself during this complaint review, as she was the named person in the complaint. Complaint was dismissed based on lack of sufficient documentation. Motion to dismiss: **Nix** Second: **Bell**

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn: Sullivan **Second:** Bell

Approved and adjourned at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Trinelle Gillespie, Secretary