

City of Roseville
Ethics Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 12, 2014

I. Call to Order

Chair Fjelstad called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Norine Quick-Lindberg, Nancy O'Brien, Matthew Becker, Margo Fjelstad, and Ben Lehman

Members Absent:

None.

Others Present:

Patrick Trudgeon, City Manager

II. Approve Minutes of August 13, 2014

Lehman moved to approve the August 13, 2014 minutes, seconded by Becker.
Ayes All.

III. 2015 Ethics Training

City Manager Trudgeon reported that the date of the 2015 Ethics Training be held on April 8, 2015, not April 15th as listed on the agenda. City Manager Trudgeon added that City Attorney Mark Gaughan would be the presenter again for the upcoming session. The Commission talked about one potential topic, conflict of interest. Commissioner O'Brien mentioned recent news article about conflict of interest in local government. The Commission also talked about having a mock ethics complaint and walking through the process as part of the training. City Manager Trudgeon will bring back additional information about the Ethics Training to the next meeting.

IV. Group Discussion – Local Government Ethics Programs in a Nutshell

The Ethics Commission talked about the publication "Local Government Ethics Programs in a Nutshell" by Robert Wechsler and about the things we are already doing and the things about what we are not doing. The Commission talked about enhancing the City website to provide more information about ethics and the ethics code and a link for someone to submit an ethics complaint. The Commission discussed other points raised in the publication and how it relates about Roseville's Ethics Code works. Commission discussed about how to better raise the profile of the Commission including visiting other Commissions and providing more information to the residents.

The Commission decided that they would review recent news article about potential ethics violations at the next meeting.

V. Discuss Ethics Tip

Commissioner Fjelstad brought forward an Ethics Tip regarding the recent Ethics Code changes. The Commission directed the City Manager to publish the tip on the City website. Commissioner Quick-Lindberg volunteered to create the Ethics Tip for February.

VI. Other Business

The City Manager stated that there has not been any ethics complaints forwarded to the City Manager's Office or to the City Attorney.

VII. Adjourn

Becker moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 p.m. and O'Brien seconded.
Ayes All.

Respectfully submitted,
Patrick J. Trudgeon
City Manager