

Date: **September 8, 2020**

To: **Mayor Lee Kyriacou** ( [mayor@cityofbeacon.org](mailto:mayor@cityofbeacon.org) )

From: **Board of Ethics**

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**Sent via Email.**

**Reference: Meeting Minutes, 2020 Quarter 3 (Sep. 3, 2020)**

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Dear Mayor Kyriacou,

On Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 6:00 pm, the Board of Ethics met via a Zoom web call. The following are the highlights of our meeting:

- The following members were in attendance: Joe Galbo, Phil Greenblatt, Andre Richards, and Montos Vakirtzis. Absent member: Arthur Camins.
- With respect to the mandatory “New York State Harassment & Discrimination” annual training, ...
  - The following members attended the training provided on August 27, 2020: Joe Galbo, Phil Greenblatt and Montos Vakirtzis.
  - The following member is seeking approval to substitute his training received from his employer, UC Berkley: Arthur Camins.
  - The following member has not yet completed the training: Andre Richards. Andre will be in contact with Collin Milone to discuss next available trainings.
- With regards to this board’s request the City Council be mandated to inform and document to this board any and all submissions whether written or oral has been granted by the Mayor:

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**From:** Anthony Ruggiero  
**Sent:** Monday, July 20, 2020 4:32 PM  
**To:** Montos Vakirtzis; Collin Milone; Lee Kyriacou; Nicholas M. Ward-Willis  
**Cc:** Joe Galbo; Arthur Camins; Andre Richards; Phillip Greenblatt  
**Subject:** RE: Board of Ethics -- Meeting Minutes, 2020 Qtr 2

Hi Montos:

I believe all your requested items have been completed, except the one item below. Please let me know if this is not true.

1. We request the City Council be mandated to inform and document to this board any and all submissions whether written or oral.

In speaking to the Mayor, we believe that this can be done by Executive Order and he has ordered that any and all complaints given to the City will be also sent to the Ethics Board. At this time, we do not see a need to bring to the City Council.

Also, as an aside, we have been in conversation with other municipalities regarding Ethics Boards and complaints, and none of the municipalities has had a complaint to their Ethics Board in a number of years.

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- There are no new or open submissions that the Board of Ethics is currently aware of.

Our next quarterly scheduled board is December 3, 2020 at 6 pm with a backup/contingency date of December 17, 2020. Also, this board is prepared to meet prior, if needed.

By calendar year-end, this board will ...

1. Prepare and submit its annual report to the City Board summarizing its activities and recommend changes to the Code of Ethics, if any and as necessary.
2. Elect and advise your office which of its members will assume the roles of Chairperson and Secretary for calendar year 2021.

Respectfully submitted by: **Joe Galbo, Chairman**

JG/mv