

**ETHICS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 19, 2018**

The Ethics Commission held a special meeting on Thursday, April 19, 2018 in the east conference room (Mayor's Conference Room) in City Hall. Recording Secretary Kathy Kennedy called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Commission Members Present

Chad Bedell
Alexander Egelson
Thomas Mercaldo

Excused

Rev. Matthew Lindeman
Sharon Capetta

II. Election of Officers

Ms. Kennedy stated the first item on the agenda was Election of Officers. She stated she would entertain a motion for nomination of chairman.

Mr. Mercaldo and Mr. Egelson made and seconded a motion to nominate Mr. Bedell as chairman. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Kennedy turned the meeting over to Chairman Bedell.

Chairman Bedell stated he would entertain a motion for the nomination of a vice chairman.

Mr. Mercaldo and Chairman Bedell made and seconded a motion to nominate Mr. Egelson as vice-chairman. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Discussion RE: Request for Advisory Opinion

Chairman Bedell stated there were two (2) requests for advisory opinion for the Commission to consider. He distributed the requests to the Commission members. Discussion ensued as to each of the requests.

Mr. Mercaldo and Mr. Egelson moved and seconded the opinion of the Commission is that a harbor commissioner may participate in the creation of a new shellfish commission and may serve as a commissioner on the shellfish commission, provided such commissioner conduct him/herself in a manner that will preserve the public confidence. In addition, the commission may be required to develop appropriate mechanisms to protect the best interests of the public; and that strict compliance with all elements of the City of Milford Code of Ethics be followed, with special attention to Sections 2-24 and 2-27. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mercaldo and Mr. Egelson moved and seconded the opinion of the Commission is that a company owned by an elected or appointed official may contract with the City of Milford provided such company strictly adheres to all elements of the City of Milford Code of Ethics. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Mercaldo and Mr. Egelson moved to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The Board adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kennedy
Recording Secretary