



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS

**THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL ETHICS  
CITIZEN'S ETHICS ADVISORY BOARD  
OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS  
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### **MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2023 SPECIAL MEETING**

The Subcommittee on Municipal Ethics of the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board ("Subcommittee") of the Office of State Ethics ("OSE") held a Special Meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023.

The Chair of the Subcommittee, Mary Bigelow, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

**The following Subcommittee members were present:**

Mary Bigelow, Chair  
Charles F. Chiusano  
Beth Cook  
Cheryl Lipson

**The following staff members of the OSE were present:**

Peter Lewandowski, Executive Director  
Sarah Clark, Director of Education & Communications  
Marc Crayton, Deputy Ethics Enforcement Officer  
Carol Langevin, Associate Accounts Examiner  
Melissa Hamilton, Paralegal & Clerk of the Board

The following topics were addressed during the meeting:

Chair Mary Bigelow informed the Subcommittee of her recent discussions with the executive director of the Councils of Governments. Chair Bigelow discussed the difficulty of convincing certain local elected officials to adopt a code of ethics. Executive Director Peter Lewandowski discussed recent legislative initiatives involving municipal ethics and their advancement in the General Assembly. He also updated the Subcommittee on recent developments in certain municipalities and their ethics enforcement. Director of Education and Communications Sarah Clark discussed the Office of State Ethics' plans to create space on the agency website that would be dedicated to municipal ethics. Specifically, the office would list all municipalities and provide links to existing municipal codes of ethics. Ms. Clark discussed outreach to the public and media to build public awareness about municipal ethics. Subcommittee members discussed potential initiatives to promote municipal ethics and increase public awareness.

**On the motion of Mr. Chiusano, seconded by Ms. Cook, the Subcommittee voted four to zero to adjourn the meeting.**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Lewandowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "L".

Peter Lewandowski  
Executive Director  
Office of State Ethics

July 20, 2023

Date approved  
(By the Subcommittee of the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board)