

# WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS

JANUARY 25, 2023

## BOARD OF ETHICS MEMBERS PRESENT:

Officer/Employee of Warren County:

Member - Robert Iusi, Director, Warren County Probation

Alternate Member - Diana Palmer, Glens Falls City Common Council

Members of the Public - George Armstrong, John W. Bishop, James McEnaney, Jr.,

Alternate Member - Sean Dion

## BOARD OF ETHICS MEMBER ABSENT:

Member of the Public - Ash Anand

Alternate Member - Peter Aust

## GUESTS:

Larry Elmen, Warren County Attorney

Amanda Allen, Clerk of the Board

Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist

*Please note, the following contains a summarization of the January 25, 2023 meeting of the Warren County Ethics Board; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <https://warrencountyny.gov>*

Copies of the meeting agenda were distributed; a copy of the agenda is on file with the meeting minutes.

Commencing the agenda review as follows:

- I. Called to Order- Meeting called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Robert Iusi, *Director, Warren County Probation*
- II. Roll Call: Roll was called; quorum was established.
- III. Motion to approve Minutes from January 9, 2023 - Motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. McEnaney and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Anad and Aust absent*).
- IV. Public Comment: There was no one present wishing to speak.
- V. Review of documents filed with the Board:

Motion was made by Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. Bishop and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Anad and Aust absent*) to enter into executive session pursuant to Section 1051(f) of the Public Officer's Law.

Mr. Elmen explained the basis for Executive Session was matters leading to the appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person regarding the following items:

- a. JM.dated.6.13.2022.BM-CL
- b. JM.dated.8.22.2022.1 page.BM
- c. JM.dated,8.22.2022.2 pages.BM
- d. JM,dated,8.22.2022.4 pages.BM
- e. JM.dated.9.12.2022.4 pages.CB
- f. JM,dated.9.12.2022.TW
- g. JM.dated.9.17.2022.2 pages.BM
- h. JM.dated.9.17.2022.BM
- i. JM.dated,9.12.2022.2 pages.BM
- j. JM.dated.10.25.2022.BM
- k. JM.dated.11.10.2022.WV-CL
- l. JM.dated,11.12.2022.AH
- m. JM.dated.11.13.2022.AH

- n. JM.dated.11.13.2022.CL-WV-RS
- o. JM.dated.11.13.2022.AH
- p. JM.dated.11.13.2022.CL-WV.RS
- q. JM.dated.12.12.2022.MC

Executive session was held from 10:06 a.m. until 12:47 p.m. during which a brief recess was held from 12:06 p.m. until 12:11 p.m. Mr. Iusi recused himself from the meeting during the discussion on Item V.(d), and while he was away from the meeting Mr. Armstrong temporarily served as Chair.

Upon reconvening, Mr. Elmen noted that no action had been taken during the executive session.

Motion was made by Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. Bishop and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Anad and Aust absent*) to consider Agenda Items V.(a-c), (e-l) and (o-p).

Votes were taken on the following matters:

To accept Items V.(a-c), (e-l) and (o-p) as sworn complaints: all members present voted in the negative. The aforementioned Items were not accepted as sworn complaints.

To take further action on Item V.(d): Messrs. Armstrong, Bishop, McEnaney Jr. and Ms. Palmer voted in the negative; Mr. Iusi abstained. No further action was taken on Item V.(d).

To take further action on Item V.(m): all members present voted in the negative. No further action was taken on Item V.(m).

To take further action on Item V.(n): all members present voted in the negative. No further action was taken on Item V.(n).

To table Item V.(q): all members present voting in favor. Item V.(q). was tabled for discussion at a future Board of Ethics meeting.

VI. Privilege of the Floor and Public Comment: Ms. Palmer questioned the Financial Disclosure form question No. 4 which asked if there were any interest which had different meaning within the County than that of Municipal Law. Mr. Elmen notified that a provision could later be made to clarify the matter.

VII. Announcements:

a. Next Scheduled Meeting Date and Time: February 9, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

VIII. Motion to Adjourn: There being no further business to come before the Warren County Board of Ethics, on motion made by Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. McEnaney Jr. and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Anad and Aust absent*), Mr. Iusi adjourned the meeting at 12:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist