

Town of East Greenbush
Board of Ethics

May 6, 2015 Meeting Minutes

The East Greenbush Board of Ethics started with a workshop at 7:00 pm. Lee Cookson was the only member of the public in attendance. The Pledge of Allegence was done. We discussed the revisions made to the Board's Internal Rules and Regulations(IR&R), the revised complaint form, the sample letters for the Board's acknowledgement of a complaint and the Board's determination developed by Jessica Lansing. One of the revisions to the IR&R was to include a requirement for training of the town employees on Ethics Code. The decision was made to research training and discuss at a future meeting.

Lee Cookson questioned as to whether the town employees had been given the EG Code of Ethics and signed an acknowledgement they received a copy. Jessica indicated it was not done because the Code had been suspended due to the changes and had to be approved by the Town Board. There was also discussion as to whether union employees can be required to sign an acknowledgement. Board decided to request legal counsel on the issue.

Workshop ended and we called an Executive session to vote for Chairperson, which is required under the Rules and Regulations, at our first meeting of the year. Kathleen Luria was voted to replace Ed Gilbert as Chair. The vote was 4-0.

The Board ended the executive session and convened to the public meeting. The BOE voted unanimously to adopt the revised Internal Rules and Regulations.

Next meeting was set for September 2, 2015 unless complaints are received.