

**Niagara County Board of Ethics
Meeting September 20, 2023**

Roll Call of the members:

Present:	Members	Others
	James Spanbauer	Heidi Jeffery – Secretary
	Mary Brennan-Taylor	Claude Joerg – County Attorney
	Peter Grinnell	
Absent:	Roger Blackwell	
	Bradley Rowles	

Call to Order

Chairman James Spanbauer called the meeting of the Board of Ethics to order at 4:28 pm.

Approval of minutes

Motion made by Peter Grinnell to approve the meeting minutes of the June 28, 2023 meeting and James Spanbauer seconded the motion. The minutes are approved.

First Order of Business

Discussed collection of Financial Disclosure statements, and the non-compliant individuals. Those individuals were reported to the Chairman of the Legislature, Rebecca Wydysh. Claude Joerg discussed the proper way to review the statements; the Board determined the Financial Disclosure forms should be opened for review to see if the forms were properly filled out.

Also, pursuant to an inquiry of a town Clerk, it was determined the Financial Disclosure forms should be sent directly to the Board of Ethics. However, if the town or city does collect the form a copy should be sent to the Board of Ethics.

Good of the Order

No response has been received from Ms. Pynn relative to the Board's final response to her complaint.

The open complaint case from 2019 should be formally closed. However, Peter Grinnell was not on the Board at that time. Therefore, the Board does not have quorum. A vote on closing the matter will be held at the next meeting.

Next meeting date set for January 17, 2024 at 4:00 pm.

Adjournment

Mary Brennan-Taylor motioned to adjourn the meeting Peter Grinnell seconded the motion, carried.

Adjourned at 4:43 pm.