

## Howard County Ethics Commission

3430 Courthouse Drive  
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

### OPEN MEETING MINUTES

A duly advertised public meeting of the Howard County Ethics Commission was held on March 15, 2022 via Webex.

**Commission Members Present:** Joanne Drielak, Chair  
Jonathan Kromm, Vice Chair  
Jean Xu

**Commission Members Absent:** Charles Fuller  
Joseph Markwordt

**Staff Members Present:** Kristen Bowen Perry, Deputy County Solicitor, Executive Secretary to the Commission

Chairperson Drielak called the open meeting to order at approximately 6:06 p.m. The following items of business were discussed in open session:

1. Agenda: The Commission reviewed and approved the proposed Agenda upon a motion by Kromm, seconded by Xu, passed unanimously.
2. Minutes: The Commission reviewed and approved the Minutes from the Open Meeting on January 25, 2022 and upon a motion by Xu, seconded by Kromm, the Open Meeting Minutes passed unanimously. The Commission also reviewed and approved the Minutes from the Closed Meeting on January 25, 2022 and upon a motion by Kromm, seconded by Drielak, the Closed Meeting Minutes passed unanimously.
3. Attorney Perry discussed with the Commission updates from the State Ethics Commission. Upon Motion by Kromm, seconded by Xu and unanimously approved, the Commission directed Attorney Perry to draft and send a letter to the State Ethics Commission with the Commission's proposed revisions, as required by State law. Prior to sending the correspondence, Attorney Perry will give all Commission members, including Fuller and Markwordt, an opportunity for comment.
4. Attorney Perry updated the Commission as to the ongoing process for required employees and officials to fill out Financial Disclosure Statements which are due on April 30, 2022.

5. Upon motion by Kromm, and seconded by Xu, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the Open Meeting at approximately 6:33 pm.



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Kristen Bowen Perry  
Executive Secretary

Date Approved: 5-17-22