

**PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS  
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Meeting of February 16, 2018 - REVISED

Members Present: Bob Bickford, Rod Cassidy, Greg Amato, Paul Eldridge, Kathleen Delamere  
Staff: Jan Miller

The meeting began at 9:12 am in the conference room of the County Personnel Department. Roll call was taken. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes:

The Board reviewed the minutes of the October 20, 2017 meeting and accepted them as presented.

Old Business:

- The Board held an election of officers. Nominated by Mr. Amato and seconded by Ms. Delamere, Bob Bickford was re-elected as Chair. Ms. Delamere was re-elected as Vice Chair, and Mr. Eldridge was re-elected as Secretary.
- The Chair noted that a letter was submitted to County Executive Odell seeking reappointment of Ms. Delamere to a new three-year term on the Board.

New Business:

- The Board reviewed an inquiry from a County officer questioning whether a member of one County Board can also sit on another County Board at the same time. After discussion the Board decided that there is no prohibition in the Putnam County Code of Ethics or perceived ethical issue with this situation. The Chair will respond in the negative to this inquirer.
- The members reviewed a draft of the 2017 Annual Report, made minor revisions and approved its submission to the Legislature.

The Board moved to executive session at 9:25 am to review the 64 Financial Disclosure forms awaiting acceptance. Forty-six forms were accepted and 18 were returned for correction.

- The Board received a disclosure, pursuant to Section 55-6(B) of the Putnam County Code and Section 803 of the NYS General Municipal Law, from a County employee regarding a proposed Lease Agreement with the County. The Board expresses its concern that any service by a County employee in more than one position, calls for heightened scrutiny in order to assure compliance with the County Ethics Code and Sections 801 and 803 of the General Municipal Law.

Next Meeting: April 20, 2018 at 9 am.

At 10:41 am Rod Cassidy moved for adjournment, Paul Eldridge gave the second, and all concurred.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Paul Eldridge, Secretary