

**Town of Somers Ethics Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Date: July 9, 2025

Location: Selectmen's Executive Conference Room, Somers Town Hall

Attendees: Board members present were Sherri Marquis, Colin Landry, Graham Van Keuren, and Joel Emlen; absent was Everett Morrill; also attending was the Town of Somers Attorney Carl Landolina

**I. Introduction**

The Town of Somers Ethics Commission (the "Commission") met on July 9, 2025, to open and review an ethics complaint (the "Complaint") with a date stamp of June 30, 2025, filed pursuant to Article II, Section 26-6 of the Town of Somers Code of Ethics (the "Code").

**II. Election of Officers**

The Commission, being newly reconstituted, took action to nominate and elect the following three officers: (1) Chair, Sherri Marquis; (2) Vice Chair, Graham Van Keuren; and (3) Secretary, Joel Emlen, who has recorded these meeting minutes. All votes were unanimous: four in favor and zero against.

At approximately 2:10 p.m., Chair Marquis moved, and the Commission approved, entering a closed session to open and review the Complaint. The Commission came out of the closed session at approximately 3:07 p.m.; no votes were taken during the closed session.

Once back in open session, Vice Chair Van Keuren informed the Commission that he was recusing himself from further participation in the Complaint. The Commission unanimously approved Colin Landry as interim Vice Chair. Pursuant to Article II, Section 26-5.B of the Code, Attorney Landolina will request the Town of Somers Board of Selectman to appoint an alternate member of the Commission to participate in this matter after Commissioner Van Keuren's recusal.

**III. Next Steps**

Pursuant to Article II, Section 26-6.B, the Commission will provide notice of the Complaint to the respondent(s). The Commission will meet again on Thursday, July 17, 2025, with an agenda to be developed and posted on the Commission's website.

*The meeting adjourned.*  
*Joel Emlen, Secretary*