

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF
THE NEW LEBANON TOWN BOARD ON
PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2009 ~ ETHICS
HELD ON AUGUST 10, 2009**

Present: Margaret Robertson, Supervisor
Allen Livermore, Councilmember
Bruce Baldwin, Councilmember
Karl (K.B.) Chittenden, Councilmember
Monte Wasch, Councilmember

Recording Secretary: Colleen Teal, Town Clerk

Others Present: Sonya Smelyansky, Town Attorney
Stan Koloski, Zoning Enforcement Officer
Michelle Bienes, SYP Camp Director
Doug Clark
David Flint, Reporter for *The Eastwick Press*
Gail Heinsohn, Reporter for *The Columbia Paper*

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor Robertson called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m.

PROOF OF PUBLICATION AND POSTING:

Town Clerk Teal provided the Town Board with proof of publication and posting and read the published public notices as follows:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF NEW LEBANON
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA**

**Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2009, Amending the Code of Ethics and Board
of Ethics for the Town of New Lebanon**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Local Law has been introduced by the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon to modify Chapter 16 of the Code of the Town of New Lebanon regarding the Code of Ethics and the jurisdiction, powers and duties of the Board of Ethics to establish rules and standards of ethical conduct for public offices and employees which, if observed, can enhance public confidence in local government. The purpose of this Local Law is to implement this objective through the establishment of high standards of ethical conduct for officers and employees of the Town, to afford officers and employees of the Town guidance on such standards, to provide for punishment of the violation of such standards, to create a board of ethics to render advisory opinions to the town's officers and employees as provided for herein, and to provide for the fair and effective administration of this Local Law. A copy of said proposed law is available for public review in the office of the New Lebanon Town Clerk during regular office hours as well as on the town website at www.townofnewlebanon.com.

PLEASE TAKE FUTURE NOTICE that a public hearing upon said proposed local law will be held at the American Legion Hall at 7 Mill Road in New Lebanon on the 10th day of August 2009, at 6:45 p.m. and that an opportunity to be heard will be given to those favoring or opposing the passage of said proposed law.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No one spoke in favor of or opposing the enactment of Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2009 entitled **Code of Ethics and Board of Ethics for the Town of New Lebanon.**

All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, a motion was made by Councilmember Wasch, seconded by Councilmember Livermore, and approved to close the Public Hearing at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Teal
Town Clerk