## Town of Colchester ETHICS COMMISSION Regular meeting April 11, 2023 Via ZOOM MEETING MINUTES

Members present: Chair Ursula Tschinkel, John Malsbenden, Dean Dest and Betty Wagner.

Members absent: None.

Guest: Selectman Delbbie Bates.

- 1. Call to order. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Ursula Tschinkel.
- 2. Additions to the Agenda. None.
- 3. **Approval of December 11, 2022 minutes**. Motion to approve by Mrs. Wagner, Second by Mr. Dest. Vote: Unanimous approval.
- 4. "Beneficial Interest." Remove from definitions Sec. 53-2. See Sec. 53-9, C. Voting (1), (a) and (b), to keep "beneficial" or revert to "personal." The commission discussed and agreed to replace "beneficial" with "personal." The wording of (a) will be: "...personal interest as defined by "immediate family" (as defined in Sect. 53-2) in the transaction or contract; For (b), the commission agreed that the wording will be: "...personal interest as defined by immediate family (as defined in Sect. 53-2), in the sale of real estate, materials, supplies or services to the Town." Motion to accept as stated above by Mr. Malsbenden, Second by Mr. Dest. Vote: unanimous approval.
- 5. **Citizen Comments.** Selectman Bates asked if all the elected officials will sign the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement form now or wait until after the election. The Commission members believe that they should sign as soon as it is approved.
- 6. **Adjournment**. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Dest. Second by Mr. Malsbenden. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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