

Dutchess County Board of Ethics
County Office Building
c/o Commissioner of Finance
22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

BOARD OF ETHICS MEETING
NOVEMBER 7, 2025
1:00 P.M.

IN-PERSON AT THE DUTCHES COUNTY LEGISLATURE CAUCUS ROOM

PRESENT:

Peter Forman, Chair
Rex S. Bridges
Dave Lemon
Kimberly Hunt Lee, Esq., Attorney for Dutchess County Board of Ethics

Absent: Kathy Martin
Paul R. Piastro

Mr. Peter Forman convened the meeting at about 1:10 p.m.

A quorum was present.

A preliminary discussion was held with respect to a complaint received from Mark D'Agostino of the Town of Stanford relating to the incumbent Town Supervisor's use of office for personal purposes. Following a conversation with County Attorney Christian Cullen, it was determined that the Dutchess County Board of Ethics has no jurisdiction over this complaint since it is a Town matter. A letter had been drafted by the County Attorney and was distributed to the Board. The Board authorized the Chairman to sign the letter which will be sent to Mr. D'Agostino indicating the Board has no jurisdiction over the complaint.

The anonymous complaint regarding the Dutchess County Leadership Prayer Breakfast was discussed in closed session.

After a discussion, a motion was made by Peter Forman, seconded by Rex Bridges to adopt a resolution dismissing the anonymous complaint following a determination that the complaint, on its' face, did not allege a violation of the Code of Ethics. The motion carried unanimously.

The closed session was adjourned.

The minutes from the September 17, 2025 meeting were reviewed.

Rex Bridges made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Dave Lemon. The motion carried unanimously and the minutes were approved.

Peter Forman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dave and Rex. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:36 p.m.