

**Frederick County Ethics Commission**  
**Minutes for the Public Meeting of Tuesday, January 30, 2007**

Present: G. Anthony Crook, Chairman  
Ronald W. Peppe, Alternate Commission Member  
Linda B. Thall, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Absent: Andrew T. Jones, Commission Member  
Karl W. Bickel, Commission Member

The Frederick County Ethics Commission met at 7:00 p.m. on January 30, 2007, at the Office of the County Attorney on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street, Frederick, Maryland 21701.

**MOTION:** Mr. Peppe made a motion to open the meeting. Mr. Crook seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**Unfinished Business**

**Approval of the minutes** – The Commission considered the minutes from its December 11, 2006, meeting.

**MOTION:** Mr. Peppe made a motion to approve the minutes as drafted. Mr. Crook seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**BOCC financial disclosure statements** – The Ethics Commission reviewed the remaining financial disclosure statements filed by members of the Board of County Commissioners.

**New Business**

**Requests for an investigation** – The Ethics Commission considered three requests received from a member of the Board of County Commissioners for an investigation into charges that the Board member had engaged in unethical conduct.

**MOTION:** Mr. Peppe moved to have the Senior Assistant County Attorney communicate with the individuals who made the allegations of improper conduct upon which the requests for an investigation were based to obtain more information about the basis for their statements. The Senior Assistant County Attorney will also communicate with the Commissioner to obtain additional information. Upon receipt of the additional information, the Ethics Commission will meet again to discuss its response to the requests. Mr. Crook seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Mr. Peppe moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Crook seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

The Ethics Commission adjourned its meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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Linda B. Thall, Senior Assistant County Attorney