


AGENDA	Friday March 29, 2024 at 3:30 PM	
Board of Ethics Meeting	Commission Room 1st Floor ~ City Hall 224 West Ninth Street Sioux Falls, South Dakota	

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 20, 2023 MEETING

(ATTACHMENT A)

3. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR 2024

4. APPROVAL OF 2023 ANNUAL REPORT (ATTACHMENT B)

5. ANY BUSINESS OR PENDING ISSUES TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

A. DISCUSSION OF REVISED ORDINANCES REGARDING FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

6. PUBLIC INPUT

7. ADJOURNMENT

BOARD OF ETHICS MEMBERS:

Sue Roust, Chair
Glen Severson
Keith Severson
Carol Muller
Matthew Burns

CITY STAFF:

Dave Pfeifle, City Attorney
Bonnie Woolam, Paralegal/Board Liaison

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MINUTES	Wednesday December 20, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.	 CITY OF SIOUX FALLS BOARD OF ETHICS
Board of Ethics Meeting	City Hall – 1 st Floor 224 West Ninth Street Sioux Falls, South Dakota	

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Sue Roust, Glen Severson, Keith Severson, Carol Muller, and Matt Burns

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Dave Pfeifle, City Attorney, and Bonnie Woolam, Board Liaison/Recording Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Sue Roust called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. The Chair noted a quorum with all board members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2023 meeting.

A Motion was made by Glen Severson and seconded by Carol Muller to approve the Draft Minutes. No discussion. Vote to approve. 5 yesses 0 noes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS

A request for a Written Advisory Opinion was submitted to the Board by Firefighter Stephanie Eggink asking whether acceptance of a \$50 Visa gift card she received from the Sanford paramedics program as a thank-you for teaching a hazardous materials class to students would violate §35.029 of the Code of Ordinances of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Attorney Pfeifle provided a review of the current ordinances and pending ordinance amendments effective January 1, 2024.

Discussion was had concerning prior Ethics Board opinions, differences dependent on department, context and individual circumstances of requests.

Chair Sue Roust called for a motion on the request. Carol Muller made a motion that the employee be allowed to keep the gift card given the background that was shared in the application and that the City Attorney draft an Advisory Opinion for the chair to review and approve on behalf of the Board.

The motion was seconded by Keith Severson. Discussion was had.

The chair called for a vote. Vote to approve 5 yesses, 0 noes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

No members of the public were present for public input.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further comments and no additional new business, Board Chair Sue Roust called for a Motion to Adjourn. Motion to Adjourn offered by Keith Severson, seconded by Matt Burns. No discussion. Vote to approve, 5 yesses, 0 noes. Motion to Adjourn carried and the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Woolam
Board Liaison/Recording Clerk

DRAFT

DATE: March 29, 2024

TO: Mayor Paul TenHaken
City Council Members

FROM: Sioux Falls Board of Ethics
Sue Roust
Glen Severson
Keith Severson
Carol Muller
Matt Burns

SUBJECT: Board of Ethics Annual Report for 2023

The Board of Ethics met four times in 2023. Two requests for advisory opinions were received and the Board did not receive any complaints.

Pursuant to Sec. 35.011(b) of the Code of Ordinances of Sioux Falls, SD, it should be noted that expenses associated with the Board's activities in 2023 included a recognition award in the amount of \$75.00.

City Of Sioux Falls

Board of Ethics

Opinions and Complaints, 2014-2023

