

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

AGENDA

2nd Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, February 14, 2012

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

**PLACE: Rhode Island Ethics Commission
Hearing Room - 8th Floor
40 Fountain Street
Providence, RI 02903**

1. Motion to approve minutes of Open Session held on January 10, 2012.

2. Advisory Opinions:

a.) Daniel W. Patterson, a member of the Exeter Town Council, a municipal elected position, who in his private capacity is a licensed firearms dealer, requests an advisory opinion regarding whether he

may participate in the Town Council's discussion and vote on a resolution asking the General Assembly to change the state law regarding municipal licensing of concealed weapons.

b.) Thomas A. Rose, Jr., a member of the East Providence City Council, a municipal elected position, requests an advisory opinion regarding whether the Code of Ethics prohibits his work as a part-time tow truck operator for a business that is both owned by his father and on the City's police tow list.

c.) Donald R. Grebien, the Mayor of the City of Pawtucket, a municipal elected position, requests an advisory opinion regarding whether City officials are prohibited by the Code of Ethics from soliciting donations to fund the salary for a new permanent position of Economic Development Director, from private businesses, foundations and individual philanthropists, some of which may be located within, or do business with, the City.

d.) Campbell D. Field, Esq., a member of the Westerly Town Council, a municipal elected position, seeks an advisory opinion regarding whether he may appear before the Westerly Planning Board, the Westerly Zoning Board and/or Westerly Town Council to oppose the proposed development of property directly abutting his personal residence.

3. Motion to go into Executive Session, to wit:

a.) Motion to approve minutes of Executive Session held on January 10, 2012, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2) and (4).

b.) Discussion re status of pending litigation: Joseph S. Larisa, Jr. v. Rhode Island Ethics Commission et al., C.A. No. PC11-6938, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2).

c.) Motion to return to Open Session.

4. Motion to seal minutes of February 14, 2012 Executive Session.

5. Report on actions taken in Executive Session.

6. Commission review of possible exceptions to Regulation 5002.

7. Director's Report:

a.) Docket Status Update.

8. New Business proposed for future Commission agendas and general comments from the Commission.

9. Adjournment.

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