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Re: Agenda #1 and #5 - Please consider this Additional Information

To: Commissioners and Mr. Franklin J. Wayne

Agenda Item #1:

As Concerned Citizens, we object to the minutes for August 18, 2011, because of the total refusal to acknowledge our paperwork. It is disrespectful to the public, to disregard our submission. After the meeting, Mr. Greenier talked to Commissioner Duchette, to get the minutes corrected and essentially he claimed, it's not their job. If the Commissioners have to vote on approval of the minutes, it is their job and responsibility, to make sure the minutes are accurate, for the public.

If the minutes for the Ethics Commission can't be corrected, then it's time to disband this commission, as it makes this commission moot and null and void.

On our August 17th submission, the core values, the word "Honesty" was marked off by somebody, with magic marker, which we object to. This was a deliberate act by somebody and we respectfully request that it be corrected, as somebody altered our paperwork.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter, for correction of the minutes.

In addition, we object to the contents of Agenda Item #5. For correction, Senator Thibodeau didn't run for re-election as Senator. He ran for the House and then ran for his 1st term, as Senator,

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Agenda Item #5 (con't):

As Concerned Citizens we object to penalizing Senator Thibodeau for $100.00, without returning the clean Elections Money in the amount of $816.47, for violations of the mileage log. We contend by the auditor assessing a penalty for violation, then the reimbursement for the travel log must be returned. Senator Thibodeau has accepted responsibility, by paying the penalty. The next step for this commission is to request the money to be returned, because the auditor didn't accept the mileage log. By the commission ruling on a violation of $100.00, but then allowing Senator Thibodeau (or any other candidate), to profit for $816.47, for the violation, sends the wrong message to other clean election candidates. In my 2008 campaign for Senate District #23, the opponent got reimbursement for mileage in the travel log. Then she reimbursed some of the campaign drivers, without disclosing their names, to the commission.

If we give creditability to the auditors notes on the travel log dated, Received Jul 18, 2011, it refers to "$593.47 check # 126 12/6/10" and "reimbursed Mike an additional $223.00 ✓127 2/9/11". How would Senator Thibodeau get reimbursed on February 9, 2011 for mileage reimbursement, when clean elections money is returned in December 2010? We allege that Senator Thibodeau (or any candidate) should be returning clean election funds, if the auditor claims a violation, otherwise there shouldn't be a penalty. Also, one paperwork says $816.47 and another says $816.27.

In conclusion, we object to meeting for September 19th. This meeting was posted, withdrawn, as if the meeting was cancelled. By this process, it locks out the public for access, for transparency in government. In addition, in our August 19th submission, the core values "Honesty" was marked off and we request it be corrected, for transparency in government, to correct the record.

Concerned Citizens,
Joseph Greenier & Michele Greenier