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TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE

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December 21, 2021
10:07 a.m.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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A P P E A R A N C E S :

MEMBERS :

FREDERICK C. BRAUN, III
MARTIN G. CALLAHAN
FELIX J. GRUCCI, JR.
LENORE PAPROCKY
GARY POLLAKUSKY
ANN-MARIE SCHEIDT

ALSO PRESENT :

LISA M.G. MULLIGAN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
LORI J. LaPONTE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
JOCELYN LINSE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
ANNETTE EADERESTO, ESQ., AGENCY COUNSEL
WILLIAM F. WEIR, ESQ., NIXON PEABODY

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MR. BRAUN: It's 10:07 on Tuesday,
December . . . what's today's date?

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MS. MULLIGAN: Twenty-first.

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MS. EADERESTO: Twenty-first.

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MR. BRAUN: Twenty-first; thank you
everybody.

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MR. CALLAHAN: First day of winter.

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MS. MULLIGAN: Yes.

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MS. SCHEIDT: Winter solstice, out of
sight.

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MR. BRAUN: This is a meeting of the
Governance Committee of the Town of Brookhaven
Industrial Development Agency. A quorum is
present.

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Lisa.

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MS. MULLIGAN: Today's meeting has been
convened in accordance with Chapter 417 of the
laws of 2021 effective September 2, 2021
through January 15, 2022 permitting local
governments to hold public meetings by
telephone and videoconference.

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Okay. So our agenda is relatively
brief.

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The first item on the agenda is our

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ethics policy, which was included in your

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packets.

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As per our ethics policy, it's supposed to be reviewed annually by our Governance

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Committee, so we wanted to take this

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opportunity to see if anyone had any edits or

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concerns or comments to it. We will

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officially adopt it in January like we do

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every year, but I just wanted to give everyone

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a chance to review it.

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Does anyone have any comments or

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questions or concerns?

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MS. SCHEIDT: It looks comprehensive.

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MR. GRUCCI: I have none.

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MR. WEIR: I have none.

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MS. SCHEIDT: Nothing to add.

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MR. BRAUN: Do we need a resolution to

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recommend it to the full board or is just a

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consensus sufficient?

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MR. WEIR: You can do a resolution to

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recommend it to the full board.

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MR. GRUCCI: I move it.

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MR. POLLAKUSKY: So moved.

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MR. BRAUN: Somebody care to move it,

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MS. SCHEIDT: Felix and Gary have

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already taken care of that.

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MR. BRAUN: Thank you very much.

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Mr. Callahan?

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MR. CALLAHAN: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Mr. Grucci?

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MR. GRUCCI: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Mr. Pollakusky?

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MR. POLLAKUSKY: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Ms. Paprocky?

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MS. PAPROCKY: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Ms. Scheidt?

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MS. SCHEIDT: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Mr. Braun votes yes.

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The motion is carried. Thank you.

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MS. LaPONTE: Included in the package

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is the annual questionnaire that will be sent

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out in accordance with the ethics policy also

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for your review.

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Any questions on that?

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Similar to the one in the prior year.

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Okay.

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MR. BRAUN: Are there any updates to

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2 that that have been recommended, either by the
3 ABO or anybody else?

4 MS. LaPONTE: Not at this point.

5 MS. MULLIGAN: No.

6 MS. LaPONTE: We monitor the ABO,
7 anything that comes out we monitor, anything
8 that comes out with the OSC, so we haven't
9 received anything.

10 MR. BRAUN: Okay.

11 MS. LaPONTE: So we continue to monitor
12 it annually. Well, not even annually,
13 throughout the year.

14 MS. MULLIGAN: Yeah.

15 MR. BRAUN: Okay.

16 MS. LaPONTE: Lastly on the agenda, I
17 did want to make everyone aware of there's an
18 ethics inquiry, so I'm actually pulling
19 together a report and investigation about that
20 and I will get back to you if any questions.

21 MR. BRAUN: But it is not as yet
22 complete; is that correct?

23 MS. LaPONTE: No, no, no.

24 MS. MULLIGAN: But we just wanted you
25 to know that there was an inquiry and that it

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2 is being looked into.

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MR. GRUCCI: When it gets looked into,
is it looked into in-house or do we have
somebody external that reviews it?

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MS. LaPONTE: So I review it in
accordance with the policy and if I need be, I
can go elsewhere and I will discuss it amongst
the board, amongst our attorneys, amongst
anybody that I feel fit in any circumstances.

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MR. BRAUN: Felix, Lori is the IDA's
ethics officer.

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MS. MULLIGAN: Yes.

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MR. GRUCCI: No, I understand that. I
didn't know if she brought an outside agency
in to review it along with her.

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MS. LaPONTE: No.

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MS. MULLIGAN: Our policy gives her
latitude to handle it as she feels it's
appropriate.

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MR. GRUCCI: Great. Thank you.

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MS. LaPONTE: And that's all I had at
this time.

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MS. MULLIGAN: Okay.

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MR. BRAUN: Are there any other

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MS. SCHEIDT: Are we taking minutes of this meeting or are we just reporting the recommendation?

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MS. MULLIGAN: So this meeting is recorded, it will be live streamed on our website and then we will have a transcript of this discussion put together, done.

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MR. BRAUN: Lisa, do you have any anything else? Lori?

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MS. LaPONTE: No, this is just part of our ongoing, we need the governance at least once, two times a year, so --

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MS. MULLIGAN: Yeah. So this was just our second Governance Committee meeting of this year.

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MR. BRAUN: Bill or Annette, anything else to bring up?

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MR. WEIR: I'm not aware of anything else that needs to be brought up at this time.

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MR. BRAUN: If not, I'll entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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MR. CALLAHAN: So moved.

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MR. WEIR: Annette, you don't have

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anything else to bring up, do you?

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MS. EADERESTO: I do not.

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MR. WEIR: Okay.

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MS. EADERESTO: I do not.

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MR. WEIR: Sorry, Mr. Chairman.

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MR. BRAUN: I asked for a resolution on

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the table; is there a second?

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MS. SCHEIDT: Second.

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MR. BRAUN: Thank you.

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On the vote, Mr. Callahan?

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MR. CALLAHAN: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Mr. Grucci?

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MR. GRUCCI: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Ms. Paprocky?

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MS. PAPROCKY: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Mr. Pollakusky?

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MR. POLLAKUSKY: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Ms. Scheidt?

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MS. SCHEIDT: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Mr. Braun votes yes.

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Motion carried and we are adjourned.

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MS. MULLIGAN: Yeah. Our next meeting

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is January 12th.

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(Time noted: 10:12 a.m.)

I, JOANN O'LOUGHLIN, a Notary Public
for and within the State of New York, do hereby
certify that the above is a correct transcription
of my stenographic notes.

JOANN O'LOUGHLIN