

11-25-2024 Code of Ethics – B. Perkinson

I was totally appalled by what I heard happened at a subcommittee meeting of one of our boards and commissions -Food for thought – has anyone considered a code of ethics or conduct for all boards, commissions, committees as well as ad hoc committees. I know it mentions conflict of interest in the Charter, but I think a code of ethics or conduct should mention behavior at meetings, respect for what other opinions are, instead of saying “shut up” to another board members as was said recently at a subcommittee meeting. I believe the comment, such as this one is not a good reflection of that board nor subcommittee, and certainly is not a representation of how the Town should be viewed by the general public. This person showed a lack of respect and civility not only for the person she directed it to, but also to anyone else who may have a differing opinion.

You may mention my above statement in public. I do not think that this type of behavior should be the norm in Woodbury and certainly not at any public forum.

I suggest that someone investigate what other Charters have for a Code of Conduct. This needs to be addressed sooner than later.