

Re: Chairman of the Board

2/13/2024

The Humboldt County Code of Conduct and Ethics shouldn't be taken lightly. The Board must maintain professionalism at all times. The chairman needs to be removed as soon as possible.

The past Board meeting on Feb 6th 2024 left the chamber gasping for their breath twice.

Public Comment on non-agenda items:

A gentleman made his comment and was prepared to walk away. Chairman Bohn engaged the gentleman as if it were a public hearing. The public comment is open to any individual wishing to express their opinion about any topic. The argument between Rex and this gentleman showed a lack of professionalism that this Board deserves.

Later that meeting when Chairman Bohn's motion for an At-large member to the Audit Committee failed to pass, he used a poor choice of words by referring to his four colleagues as kids.

From personal experience Chairman Bohn is not fit to serve as the chairman. Merit based decision making and not previous prejudice is how we Govern. Rex has proven that he doesn't respect the HC Code of Conduct and Ethics.

The Chairman didn't want to hear an appeal on June 28, 2022, Rex claimed it would set a bad precedent. Rex based that statement on the belief the appellant owed money for processing the permit application and the filing of the appeal fee. County code 312-13 13.5 hearing required within 30 working days and this appeal took 539 days. No red flag there.

I request one member of the Board to bring this as an agenda item in the next meeting. A discussion on ethics may be long over due for Humboldt County. As a Supervisor candidate in district 2, I keep getting a lot of questions about how bad our constituents are treated when working with county employees on the permitting process.

In conclusion I think the topic of ethics needs to be discussed regarding county employees and board members.

The Board makes decisions based on evidence presented in front of them for each case, the county can't afford to have departments presenting false statements / allegations. That could lead to lawsuits against the County.

Thanks, Brian Roberts District 2 Supervisor Candidate