

COMPLIANCE REVIEW MEMORANDUM

To: Alan Johnson, Executive Director
From: James A. Poag, Investigator
Re: A12-034 – Ethics Training Compliance (Town of Hypoluxo)

- **Background**

As of June 1, 2011, all municipalities within Palm Beach County came under the jurisdiction of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics (the Code). Pursuant to Section 2-446 of the Code, each municipal administrator is required to establish by policy a mandatory training schedule for all employees and elected/appointed officials to provide them with training on their ethical responsibilities as prescribed by the code. The Commission on Ethics is required to develop and deliver training programs and to coordinate and cooperate with the municipalities to ensure effective and meaningful training of elected/appointed officials and employees. For verification, a training acknowledgment form for each full-time employee and elected/appointed official should be maintained by each municipality.

On August 17, 2012 on behalf of the Commission on Ethics (COE), I initiated a compliance review of the Town of Hypoluxo (the Town) for ethics training. In order to complete this task Gina Levesque, COE Executive Assistant/Intake Manager contacted Ms. Barbara Lee Searls, via email. Ms. Levesque requested an alphabetical list of all active full/part-time Town employees and elected/appointed officials, and copies of each individual Ethics Training Acknowledgement Form. Ms. Searls provided the COE with all the requested material. I cross referenced the alpha list of all active full/part-time Town employees and elected/appointed officials with the individual training acknowledgement forms. As of August 17, 2012, the Town had 14 active full/part-time employees and elected/appointed officials.

- **Scope**

The scope included a review of all of the Town of Hypoluxo full/part-time employees and elected/appointed officials, required to submit an ethics training acknowledgement form. All forms submitted to the Town Clerk's Office were maintained in a central training file folder alphabetically by last name.

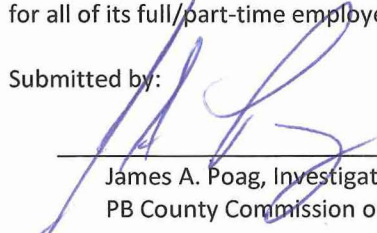
- **Assessment**

On August 17, 2012, a compliance review of the Town of Hypoluxo for ethics training was completed for all full/part-time Town employees and elected/appointed officials. The overall assessment indicated the Town of Hypoluxo had 14 active full/part-time employees and elected/appointed officials, all of which have been trained according to the reviewed records. As of this date, the Town of Hypoluxo is in compliance with the training requirement established by the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics.

- **Conclusion**

Based on the aforementioned facts the Town of Hypoluxo is in full compliance with the ethics training requirement for all of its full/part-time employees and elected/appointed officials.

Submitted by:



James A. Poag, Investigator
PB County Commission on Ethics



Date

Reviewed by:



(Initials)



Date