

**Report on actions taken by the Rhode Island Ethics Commission
in Executive Session held on April 8, 2025:**

1. Voted (6-0) to approve the minutes of the Executive Session held on March 25, 2025.

[Reporter's Note: The vote was as follows:

AYES: Lauren E. Jones; Dr. Michael Browner, Jr.; Frank J. Cenerini;
Scott P. Rabideau; Hugo L. Ricci, Jr.; and Holly J. Susi.

ABSTENTIONS: Christopher P. Callahan.]

2. In the matter of **In re: Heidi Weston Rogers**, Complaint. No. 2024-12, the Commission took the following actions:

Voted (1-6) on a motion to permit the Respondent to submit additional evidence for the Commission to consider as part of its probable cause determination. The motion failed.

[Reporter's Note: The vote was as follows:

AYES: Scott P. Rabideau.

NOES: Lauren E. Jones; Dr. Michael Browner, Jr.; Frank J. Cenerini;
Christopher P. Callahan; Hugo L. Ricci, Jr.; and Holly J. Susi.]

Unanimously voted (7-0) that there exists probable cause to believe that Heidi Weston Rogers, an elected member of the Foster Town Council, violated R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-14-5(a) by her participation in the Town Council's July 18, 2024, discussion and vote on a motion to appoint an interim DPW Director.

Unanimously voted (7-0) that there exists probable cause to believe that Heidi Weston Rogers, an elected member of the Foster Town Council, violated R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-14-5(d) by her participation in the Town Council's July 18, 2024, discussion and vote on a motion to appoint an interim DPW Director.

Unanimously voted (7-0) that there exists probable cause to believe that Heidi Weston Rogers, an elected member of the Foster Town Council, violated 520-RICR-00-00-1.3.1(B)(1) Prohibited Activities – Nepotism (36-14-5004) by her participation in the Town Council's July 18, 2024, discussion and vote on a motion to appoint an interim DPW Director.

Unanimously voted (7-0) that there exists probable cause to believe that Heidi Weston Rogers, an elected member of the Foster Town Council, violated R.I. Gen.

Laws § 36-14-5(a) by her participation in the Town Council's July 18, 2024, discussion and vote on a motion to post the position of permanent DPW Director.

Unanimously voted (7-0) that there exists probable cause to believe that Heidi Weston Rogers, an elected member of the Foster Town Council, violated R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-14-5(d) by her participation in the Town Council's July 18, 2024, discussion and vote on a motion to post the position of permanent DPW Director.

Unanimously voted (7-0) that there exists probable cause to believe that Heidi Weston Rogers, an elected member of the Foster Town Council, violated 520-RICR-00-00-1.3.1(B)(1) Prohibited Activities – Nepotism (36-14-5004) by her participation in the Town Council's July 18, 2024, discussion and vote on a motion to post the position of permanent DPW Director.

Unanimously voted (7-0) that there exists probable cause to believe that Heidi Weston Rogers, an elected member of the Foster Town Council, violated 520-RICR-00-00-1.2.1(A)(1) Additional Circumstances Warranting Recusal (36-14-5002) by her participation in the Town Council's July 18, 2024, discussion and vote on a motion to post the position of permanent DPW Director.

3. Unanimously voted (7-0) to return to Open Session.