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**Code of Ethics for the
Village of Cedar Rock**

WHEREAS, Section 160A-86 of the North Carolina General Statutes requires local governing boards to adopt a code of ethics; and

WHEREAS, as public officials we are charged with upholding the trust of the citizens of the Village of Cedar Rock, and with obeying the law.

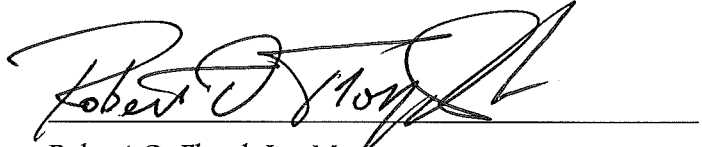
NOW THEREFORE, as public officials representing the citizens of the Village of Cedar Rock and acting pursuant to North Carolina General Statute §160A-86 we the Council of the Village of Cedar Rock do hereby adopt the following Code of Ethics to guide the Mayor and Council in their lawful decision making:

1. Council shall obey all laws applicable to their official actions as members of the Board of Village of Cedar Rock.
2. Council must be able to act in a manner that maintains their integrity and independence, yet responsible to the interests and needs of those they represent. Characteristics and behaviors consistent with this standard include the following:
 - a) Being fair and consistent in decision making;
 - b) Treating other council members and the public with respect and honoring the opinions of others even when in disagreement;
 - c) Not reaching conclusions on issues until all sides have been heard.
3. Council should avoid impropriety in the exercise of their official duties. Their official actions should be above reproach. Although opinions vary about what behavior is inappropriate, this Council will consider impropriety in terms of whether a reasonable person, who is aware of all the relevant facts and circumstances surrounding the council member's action, would conclude that the action was inappropriate.
4. Council should faithfully perform the duties of their office. They should act as especially responsible citizens whom others can trust and respect. They should set a good example for others in the community, keeping in mind that trust and respect must continually be earned. Council should faithfully attend and prepare

for meetings.

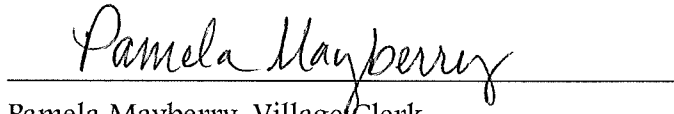
5. Council will conduct the affairs of the board in an open and public manner, including complying with all applicable laws governing open meetings and public needs.

Approved and adopted this the 20th day of February, 2018.



Robert O. Floyd, Jr., Mayor

Attest:



Pamela Mayberry, Village Clerk