

1 BAIL BOND BOARD MEETING

2 MAY 23, 2019

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4 THOSE PRESENT: Judge Raquel West

5 Judge Ken Dollinger

6 Judge Clint Woods

7 Judge Craig Lively

8 Theresa Goodness

9 Charlie Hallmark

10 Tina Benoit

11 Mary Godina

12 Tamika Martin

13 Lieutenant Charles Ford

14 Tonja Voorhies

15 Quentin Price

16 Al Reed

17 Rhonda Brode

18 Thomas Roebuck

19 Dustin Galmor

20 Chris Romano

21 DeDe Rojas

22 James Milo

23 Shelly Conner

24 Tiffany Mooney

25 Kenisha Milo

1 JUDGE WEST: All right. We'll go ahead and call
2 the meeting to order. Thank you-all for being here. So, first
3 thing on the agenda is to review the minutes from last month's
4 meeting. Has everyone had an opportunity to review those? Is
5 there a --

6 MS. GOODNESS: I make a motion that we approve
7 the minutes as written.

8 JUDGE WEST: Is there a second?

9 MR. HALLMARK: Uh-huh. Yes.

12:35PM 10 JUDGE WEST: All those in favor?

11 | (RESPONSES GIVEN.)

12 | JUDGE WEST: Any opposed?

13 (NO RESPONSE.)

JUDGE WEST: All right. They're approved.

15 MS. BENOIT: I do have February's minutes, at one
16 of the meetings. It was never officially approved to be put on
17 the website. I'm still holding it, awaiting approval. I think
18 everybody read them and now all agreed, but there was never a
19 motion made to have it posted.

12:36PM 20 JUDGE WEST: Okay. So, with regard to February's
21 minutes, is there any other discussion; or can we have a motion
22 to approve those?

23 | JUDGE DOLLINGER: So moved.

24 MS. GOODNESS: Second.

25 JUDGE WEST: Got a motion and a second. All in

1 favor?

2 (RESPONSES GIVEN.)

3 JUDGE WEST: Any opposed?

4 (NO RESPONSE.)

5 JUDGE WEST: All right. That's approved, as
6 well.

7 MS. BRODE: Judge.

8 JUDGE WEST: Yes, ma'am?

9 MS. BRODE: Should we say our names, so that Kim
12:36PM 10 will know who we are?

11 THE REPORTER: I did a seating chart.

12 MS. BRODE: Okay.

13 JUDGE WEST: I didn't even think about that.

14 Thank you.

15 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Musical chairs.

16 JUDGE WEST: Everyone should have a report from
17 the D.A.'s office. Has everybody had an opportunity to look at
18 that? Is there anything, Mr. Price, that we need to be...

19 MR. PRICE: They don't show me the report.

12:36PM 20 JUDGE WEST: They don't show you? You just are
21 here?

22 MS. BRODE: Can I get a copy? Who has it?

23 JUDGE WEST: Do we have a copy?

24 MS. BENOIT: Oh.

25 JUDGE WEST: We don't have a copy.

1 MS. GODINA: We do.

2 MS. BENOIT: We do --

3 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

4 MS. BENOIT: -- in my office somewhere. Hang on.

5 Y'all just hold back, keep going, and I'll be back.

6 JUDGE WEST: I was just testing everyone to see

7 if you actually looked at your packet. Okay. So, we'll wait on

8 that.

9 Consideration and approval of applications to

12:37PM 10 become bondsmen or agents and renewals. Do we have any?

11 MS. GODINA: I'm assuming we don't have any since

12 Becky's not here --

13 JUDGE WEST: I was about to say. I don't see

14 any --

15 MS. GODINA: -- and no one's answered.

16 JUDGE WEST: I'm talking about stuff that's in a

17 pile that I don't have. So, we'll do that. Any complaints

18 against bondsmen?

19 MS. GODINA: I do have a complaint that I got

12:37PM 20 this week from a gentleman that came down for arraignment, and

21 it's against On Time Bail Bond. He came down for arraignment

22 docket on Tuesday in County Court 2. He was taken into custody

23 'cause they said he had a bond forfeiture out of Drug Court from

24 May the 14th, which he said he didn't know anything about. So,

25 he filled out a form, complaint form; and he just said he was

1 | never notified.

12:38PM 10 JUDGE WEST: And it's all for the same --

11 MS. GODINA: Different complaint.

12 JUDGE WEST: Different complaints but the same
13 bonding company?

14 MS. GODINA: Yes, ma'am.

15 JUDGE WEST: No. I guess we'll go ahead and talk
16 about it now.

17 MS. GODINA: Okay. Tina and I did a spot-check
18 of On Time Bail Bond for -- On Time Bail Bonds a couple of
19 months back; and their files were not in order, which we had

12:39PM 20 discussed that at the last meeting. We've gotten the new
21 complaint from this week. We have the one that Derrick Newman
22 had filed back in February. I finally got his phone records and
23 his text messages. I looked at them. He does not have a text
24 from them the day of court. They told us that they notify the
25 people two days before the court date, one day before the court

1 date; and the morning of the court date, they send out a text.

2 (MR. GALMOR AND MR. ROEBUCK ENTER HEARING.)

3 MS. GODINA: His phone records do not indicate
4 that, any calls from them and/or a text of the morning of court.
5 He had a bond forfeiture in Drug Court.

6 The new guy, the Richard Broussard that forfeited
7 on the 14th, got taken into custody. He did call On Time, and
8 we had Judge Templeton lower the bond back down to the original
9 bond amount. And, so, they did post the bond. I don't know if
12:40PM 10 they charged him any more money or not. I'm not sure about
11 that.

12 But we did, Tina and I did talk to James Milo
13 earlier this week and explained to him that the files were not
14 in order. One of the requirements that's from the Occupations
15 Code, not from the Bail Bond Board rules but from Chapter 17.04,
16 is that this disclosure statement should be in every file and
17 filled out. They're supposed to go over this form with their
18 client, and the client's supposed to initial that they've gone
19 over everything with them. This form was not in any of the
12:40PM 20 files that we checked. We just did a random check. We run the
21 docket of what they have out, and we just randomly pick. We did
22 maybe 8, 6 to 8, 10 cases. None of the files were in order.

23 He told us he was not aware of the Jefferson
24 County Bail Bond Board rules or this form being in the -- having
25 to be in the file. So, I pulled his application; and Exhibit 17

1 says (Reading) I, James Milo, executing agent, hereby make a
2 statement of my intention to comply with all requirements of the
3 Bail Bond Board Act, Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 17.04, and
4 all the rules and regulations of the Jefferson County Bail Bond
5 Board. He signed it, as well as the insurance company signed
6 it. So, he told us then he was going to abide by all the rules.

7 In the beginning there was no employees listed
8 for his company. I think Becky had to call him, and he listed
9 two people -- well, three people. One person no longer works
12:41PM 10 for him. He listed two people, did background checks on them.
11 We have those. But I did make inquiry at the jail; and they say
12 there's three to four people that are dropping off bonds for his
13 company, when he only has two employees listed as runners. We
14 did scan him a copy of that disclosure statement. We scanned it
15 to him; and, so, now he knows what needs to be in there. We
16 will do another spot-check at a surprise time, see if they get
17 their files in order, give them time to get them in order now
18 that they have the paperwork that's supposed to be in there.

19 Tina has an episode with a girl from County
12:42PM 20 Court 2. She can let y'all know about that one.

21 MS. BENOIT: Okay. It was a girl by the name of
22 Samantha Mitchell. She came over on our jail run and I happened
23 to walk by her and she said, "Hey, miss, miss, I need to talk to
24 you." And I stopped and talked to her; and she said, "I'm on
25 bond on this case that I'm here on."

1 I said, "Well, let me check into it." So, I went
2 in the back, no bond. I said -- went back; and I told her, "No,
3 ma'am, you're not."

4 And she says, "Yes, I am. My boyfriend's already
5 paid when I was in jail."

6 I was, like, "Okay. Well, let me call. Maybe
7 the bond got misplaced at the jail or something."

8 So, I called and they took probably 45 minutes to
9 an hour out of their day trying to find this bond and it wasn't
10 there. So, I went back; and I told her, no, that there was no
11 bond on file. She said, "My boyfriend just paid them. I'm on
12 bond on this case."

13 So, I asked her who it was with and she told me
14 and I called and they said, yes, that when they went down there
15 to make the bond, she -- she was also -- tacked on some traffic
16 tickets or something like that that she was going to have to sit
17 out. Well, when they brought the bond down there, apparently
18 the jail told them that she was there on traffic tickets, as
19 well. So, they took their bond back and went back to their
12:43PM 20 office and didn't leave the bond, which if they would've left
21 it, when she got out with the traffic tickets, they would've
22 held that bond and she would've been on bond on that case.
23 Well, you know, time goes by. The case gets filed. The warrant
24 goes out because there's no bond. She gets arrested. She's
25 three days in jail before we get her over on our jail run and

1 the whole time she's thinking she's on bond and they had just
2 made a payment on that bond, like, two days before she was
3 arrested.

4 So, it states on the disclosure statement, if
5 they had them, that if a bond is not made 24 hours after the
6 money is given to them, that they are to return the money. At
7 that point she would've known that she was not on bond on this
8 case. She would've known that -- this whole while she thinks
9 that she is. So, that was one thing; and I did express to them
12:45PM 10 that I was concerned about this. So, no complaint was filed by
11 Samantha Mitchell; and it's just because I don't think she
12 understands that --

13 MS. GODINA: She can file a complaint.

14 MS. BENOIT: -- you know, what happened. So...

15 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

16 MS. BENOIT: Anyway, that's what we found out.

17 JUDGE WEST: So, what are our -- as far as what
18 we can or can't or should do today about it, is there -- does
19 anybody have any input on actually doing anything or just giving
12:45PM 20 time for them to try to get into compliance? Is there a period
21 where we can --

22 MS. BENOIT: I really don't know.

23 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Judge --

24 MS. BENOIT: We're not voting members. So, I
25 don't think we can...

1 JUDGE DOLLINGER: I would ask Mr. Roebuck: Do
2 you think we would be within our rights to suspend them from
3 operation pending a hearing with them showing up, or should we
4 have the hearing before we take any action against them?

5 MR. ROEBUCK: Is there a formal complaint?

6 MS. BENOIT: Yes.

7 JUDGE WEST: Yes, two.

8 MS. GODINA: I have two complaints right now.

9 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Two.

12:46PM 10 JUDGE WEST: There's two formal complaints; and
11 there's also this other, you know, thing that happened where
12 there's not a complaint.

13 MR. ROEBUCK: Well, I mean, I kind of like due
14 process myself.

15 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Okay.

16 JUDGE WOODS: Is there a representative here now
17 today?

18 (INDICATING.)

19 JUDGE WEST: Is that who --

12:46PM 20 JUDGE WOODS: Yeah. Okay.

21 JUDGE WEST: So, they're here today. So, do we
22 still -- should we still, from a legal standpoint --

23 MR. ROEBUCK: Well, I mean, they hadn't been set
24 for a hearing.

25 JUDGE WEST: Correct.

1 MR. ROEBUCK: I don't like the idea.

2 JUDGE WEST: Okay. So, do we set it for hearing
3 in our next bond meeting? Is that what we would do?

4 MR. ROEBUCK: I think that's what we'll do; and I
5 think, since they've got somebody here, that puts them on
6 notice.

7 JUDGE WEST: Okay. So, what we'll -- is that --
8 we don't need to vote on that. We can just --

9 MR. ROEBUCK: Set it for a hearing.

12:46PM 10 JUDGE WEST: -- just set it for a hearing.

11 Anybody else have any ideas or something different that we
12 should do?

13 (No Response.)

14 JUDGE WEST: Okay. So, what we'll do is just ask
15 that it be put on the agenda for the next -- yes, sir?

16 JAMES MILO: Can we receive the complaints? --
17 'cause we never received any complaints, like, formal
18 complaints.

19 JUDGE WEST: Can we get them a copy of -- we'll
12:47PM 20 get you a copy.

21 JUDGE WOODS: For the record, what's your name?

22 JUDGE WEST: Yeah.

23 JAMES MILO: James Milo.

24 JUDGE WEST: Yeah. So, we'll get you a copy of
25 the two complaints, formal complaints that were filed.

1 JAMES MILO: Okay.

2 JUDGE WEST: And anything else that you're --
3 yes, ma'am?

4 MS. BENOIT: And in the meantime, if we could get
5 background checks on the employees that are not listed.

6 JUDGE WEST: Well, I mean, anything that's
7 required for you to be in compliance with our local rules, with
8 the state rules, without us having to tell you that, I think
9 that y'all need to figure all of that out and have it done, I
10 would think, before the --

11 JAMES MILO: Right.

12 JUDGE WEST: I mean, it would obviously be in
13 your benefit to have all that done before we come back for the
14 hearing, without us having to go through and walk you through
15 it. The rules are the rules for everybody. So, that's my
16 thought, anyway.

17 MR. ROEBUCK: They're entitled -- if we've got
18 issues that are not in the complaint, which seems to me we
19 have --

20 MS. GODINA: We do.

21 MR. ROEBUCK: -- then those, they've -- they're
22 entitled to be notified of those, too. I think that needs to be
23 in complaint form.

24 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

25 MR. ROEBUCK: I mean, we can't just blindsides

1 somebody.

2 JUDGE WEST: So, we'll -- since y'all know what
3 they are, if you'll get those in a form, format, formal
4 complaint format and also get those filed and a copy of all of
5 that with regard to the policies that they're not alleged to be
6 following that are required and get them a copy of all that.

7 Anything else, Mr. Roebuck, that you can think of for us to --

8 MR. ROEBUCK: No, ma'am.

9 JUDGE WEST: Okay. All right. So, let's go
12:48PM 10 back, then, now, to everybody should have a copy of the district
11 attorney's report on judgments. Anything on that?

12 (NO RESPONSE.)

13 JUDGE WEST: Do we vote on this?

14 MS. GODINA: Huh-uh.

15 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

16 MR. PRICE: I think it's just informational only.

17 JUDGE WEST: Just informational?

18 Okay. Report from the treasurer on cash and CDs
19 up for collateral. I think we all have that. Is there anything
12:49PM 20 we need to --

21 MR. HALLMARK: Nothing but the reports.

22 JUDGE WEST: Anybody have any questions for
23 Mr. Hallmark about those reports?

24 MS. GOODNESS: I do have a question, Judge. Last
25 year we talked some about refunding these CDs of some of these

1 attorneys, or cash, that they were deceased, like Tom Sibley,
2 maybe a couple of other ones that, you know, are deceased or not
3 in business anymore, that we were -- we had talked about with
4 the previous county treasurer. I just wondered if you had been
5 brought up to speed on that, Charlie, or --

6 MR. HALLMARK: Huh-uh.

7 MS. GOODNESS: It might be something we could
8 check with Joleen about that, what the status was. I know there
9 was some talk about Thomas Sibley is deceased and getting the
12:50PM 10 money back to his estate, but evidently that hasn't happened
11 yet.

12 MS. BRODE: Quentin, was Joleen working with you
13 on some of these?

14 MR. PRICE: We have the one, the attorney; and I
15 was looking through trying find his name. Where is the list of
16 attorneys?

17 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Next to the last, the bottom
18 half of that form is attorneys; and he's next to the last.

19 MR. PRICE: I think it's Paul Buchanan. There
12:50PM 20 was somebody that had \$50. I'm sorry. It was Kenneth Randle
21 has \$50. I've actually filed a lawsuit; and this should've been
22 done three months ago, four months ago. I haven't got it done
23 yet; but that one, I'm working on that one. I'm trying to
24 remember --

25 MS. GOODNESS: Paul Buchanan was one, and Tom

1 Sibley was the other one.

2 MR. PRICE: Tom Sibley, somebody said they were
3 going to get in contact with the administrator of the estate and
4 tell them to make a claim on it so they can get their money.

5 MS. GOODNESS: Yeah. I think that's what
6 Mr. Funchess said he was going to do, and then I don't know what
7 happened after that point.

8 MR. PRICE: Well, since he's gone -- yes, it was
9 him that did it. No, I'm kidding. I thought everybody knew
12:51PM 10 about the rule of the last, you know, the last one to leave.

11 JUDGE LIVELY: And it's in the record.

12 MR. PRICE: And it's in the record, yes. So, I
13 don't remember. But, yeah, there was a couple of these that
14 they had administrators or had some that -- the ones that had
15 passed away had administrators, and then the others are still
16 writing bonds. Like, I think Cory Crenshaw's still writing.
17 But, anyway, but on that one, that one I am working on, it's a
18 little more complex than signing a paper and getting it out;
19 but, anyway, I've still got to get it done.

12:51PM 20 MS. BRODE: So, can you, just for the record,
21 tell me which ones on this list we know of that are deceased
22 other than Thomas Sibley?

23 MR. PRICE: Kenneth Randle.

24 MR. WOODS: Donald Moye.

25 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Paul Buchanan.

1 MS. BRODE: So, I've got Buchanan, Moyer, Randle,
2 and Sibley?

3 JUDGE WEST: Okay. Good. All right. Report
4 from the auditor's office?

5 MS. BRODE: I've handed them out, and I have no
6 comments. Sorry.

7 JUDGE WEST: Anyone else have any comments on
8 that?

9 (NO RESPONSE.)

12:52PM 10 JUDGE WEST: Okay. Any release of property or
11 CDs requested?

12 MS. BENOIT: Yes, ma'am. I received a request
13 from Keith Day with Professional and I've already deducted the
14 amount of that property from his writing capability and I just
15 need the release of lien to be signed and filed. And, also, I
16 think Allied had -- Stan Stanley called, and I tried calling him
17 back several times. He wanted something released, but I don't
18 have it. So, it'll have to be next meeting.

19 MS. ROJAS: I'll get with them.

12:53PM 20 MS. BRODE: Tina, can you get to the treasurer's
21 office whatever you release?

22 MS. BENOIT: Yes, I will give them a copy as soon
23 as they sign this. Uh-huh.

24 JUDGE WEST: Do we need to vote on anything or it
25 just needs to --

1 MS. BENOIT: I guess. I mean...

2 JUDGE WEST: Do a motion?

3 MR. DOLLINGER: Yes.

4 MS. BENOIT: Yes. I believe so. I believe
5 that's why we added it permanently to the agenda.

6 JUDGE WEST: All right. So, is there a motion?

7 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Motion.

8 JUDGE WEST: Judge Dollinger --

9 MS. GOODNESS: Second.

12:53PM 10 JUDGE WEST: -- motioned and a second. All those
11 in favor?

12 (RESPONSES GIVEN.)

13 JUDGE WEST: Any opposed?

14 (NO RESPONSE.)

15 JUDGE WEST: All right. That is approved. We'll
16 get that signed and to the appropriate people, and that's it on
17 that one.

18 The deed of trust that -- any other issues on
19 that deed of trust that we were working on? We approved it as
12:54PM 20 it was, I believe, last time, correct?

21 MS. GOODNESS: Yes.

22 JUDGE WEST: And Mr. Roebuck, who is hiding his
23 face, was going to look into something else, if I recall. I
24 can't remember now what it was but --

25 MR. ROEBUCK: I'm brutally aware of what it was

1 and I confess I didn't take care of it yet, but I will. I
2 promise.

3 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

4 MR. ROEBUCK: Yes. But I know what needs to be
5 done.

6 JUDGE WEST: So, we have it; and it's in place,
7 right? It was just something else that we were going to add?

8 MR. ROEBUCK: Yeah. What it has to do with is we
9 need to address the issue of insurance better. I just hadn't
12:54PM 10 done it.

11 JUDGE WEST: All right. Well, we'll leave that
12 on the agenda for next time --

13 MR. ROEBUCK: Yes, ma'am.

14 JUDGE WEST: -- for Mr. Roebuck.

15 MR. ROEBUCK: Yes, ma'am.

16 JUDGE WEST: Update on insurance policies? Is
17 that what that was?

18 MS. BENOIT: I think that was -- that was --

19 JUDGE WEST: The same?

12:54PM 20 MS. BENOIT: -- the same thing. They were
21 checking to see if that was --

22 JUDGE WEST: So, that's two items that you failed
23 on, Mr. Roebuck.

24 MR. ROEBUCK: I'm sorry. What was the second
25 one?

1 MS. BENOIT: The insurance policy --

2 JUDGE WEST: It's the same thing.

3 MS. BENOIT: -- with them...

4 MR. ROEBUCK: Them as an additional --

5 MS. BENOIT: Yes.

6 MR. ROEBUCK: I think that's -- well, that will
7 be in -- that will be in the language of the deed of trust.

8 JUDGE WEST: Right. It's the same thing. It's
9 just two items, I think. It just makes it look like you didn't
10 do two things instead of one.

11 Bond conditions on subsequent DWIs and drug
12 cases. I did --

13 MS. BENOIT: Yeah.

14 JUDGE WEST: -- sign something yesterday --

15 MS. GODINA: I have it.

16 JUDGE WEST: -- finally. It was put on my desk.
17 And, so, I think we actually have those now.

18 MS. GODINA: I have that now.

19 MS. BENOIT: We do. And if the representative
20 for the bondsmen could let them know, I believe on every felony
21 website there is a copy now of the standard bond conditions that
22 they are requiring for the DWIs and the drug cases. And also on
23 the misdemeanor website, we have ours, as well. If anybody
24 would like a copy, I'll be happy to make copies for them; but,
25 otherwise, if y'all can instruct them to go to the website to

1 the -- either the felony court -- a felony court or a
2 misdemeanor court, they are there.

3 MR. REED: So, what is the bondsman's position on
4 that?

5 MR. ROMANO: We're going to do it at the jail.

6 MS. BENOIT: What do you mean?

7 MR. REED: On the form you're talking about.

8 MS. BENOIT: Yes. The requirement for the
9 installation of the --

12:56PM 10 JUDGE WEST: Auto ignition interlock device on
11 certain cases.

12 MR. REED: We need to get them to sign that?

13 MS. BENOIT: You need to give them a copy that
14 they need to get to the court within ten days proof of an
15 interlock on subsequent DWIs and that they will be -- they can
16 be randomly drug tested on any drug charge or any DWI.

17 MR. REED: So, the person that we get out of
18 jail, they need to -- they need to sign that, first of all, or
19 we just need to give it to them?

12:56PM 20 MS. BENOIT: You need to give it to them; but I
21 would document somewhere, get them to initial somewhere that you
22 did give that to them. That would be -- but however you choose
23 to do it is, you know...

24 MR. REED: Even the ones that -- I mean, you
25 know, most of them don't have a vehicle --

1 MS. BENOIT: Well --
2 MR. REED: -- to do an interlock system.
3 JUDGE WEST: Well, and once they get to court,
4 we'll deal with that. As long as they have been given the
5 notice that they're supposed to have it -- if they don't have a
6 vehicle, then we talk to them about those things -- but as long
7 as they know any vehicle, and it's specific in here. It's not
8 just theirs 'cause they'll say, "I don't own a vehicle," but
9 then they may drive something else. It says it in the rules
12:57PM 10 "any vehicle," they're not allowed to drive without it. So, all
11 you can do is give them that information and make sure they have
12 it and that you can prove that they have it would be to your
13 benefit.

14 MR. REED: Okay.

15 JUDGE WEST: Okay? That only took a few months.
16 Anything else on that?

17 MS. BENOIT: Scratch that one out.

18 JUDGE WEST: Okay. And, so, the last thing is to
19 discuss the job opening for the Bail Bond Board administrator.
12:57PM 20 I know that I received a few letters of people who were
21 interested, Judge Woods did, and so did Judge Dollinger.

22 MS. GOODNESS: There's one on the desk there that
23 was submitted today for Judge Dollinger.

24 JUDGE WEST: I just had Judge Woods make copies
25 of that one, as well. So, I think we have -- but I guess we

1 need to talk about how we want to handle it. We just kind of
2 threw it out there for people to give letters. If this is
3 something as a board that we want to do in an open session, if
4 it's something that we can do more privately, I don't know if we
5 have in our rules to have executive session for things like
6 this. The way it was done before is I think Judge Floyd just
7 said, "Tina, you're it."

8 MS. BENOIT: "Tag. You're it," yeah.

9 12:58PM JUDGE WEST: "Tag. You're it." But I don't know
10 that there were other people interested and because there are
11 and because some of those people work for some of us, if it's --
12 if everybody's comfortable having -- I have copies of all of
13 them. If we want to go through these, pass them out, everybody
14 look at them, vote on it maybe next time. Maybe we can do a
15 vote that's not out loud. Everybody turns in a piece of paper
16 and we count them up so that nobody's put in an awkward
17 position? Does anybody have any input on how to do that?

18 JUDGE DOLLINGER: I would think that having an
19 executive session or the ability to go into executive session on
20 a personnel matter would be inherent, whether it's formally
21 stated in the --

22 JUDGE WEST: I think it is, too.

23 JUDGE DOLLINGER: -- local rules or not.

24 JUDGE WEST: I think that's just typical Robert's
25 Rules but --

1 JUDGE DOLLINGER: I believe that's exactly
2 correct.

3 JUDGE WEST: So --

4 MR. PRICE: Well, actually more concerned with
5 the Open Meetings Act than you are Robert's Rules, yeah.

6 JUDGE WEST: That's what I mean, yeah.

7 MR. PRICE: But, anyway, but under the Open
8 Meetings Act, general personnel matters --

9 JUDGE WEST: Are private.

12:59PM 10 MR. PRICE: -- are inside, but the actual hiring
11 has to occur outside.

12 JUDGE WEST: Right. But we could -- so, would
13 y'all want me to pass out all of the people who are interested
14 in it today, everyone look at those, and then we put it on
15 for -- to have an executive session at our next meeting? Or do
16 we want to do that now?

17 JUDGE LIVELY: It would give us a chance to look
18 at them and have them next meeting, the -- when are we losing
19 our --

01:00PM 20 MS. BENOIT: July 31st.

21 JUDGE DOLLINGER: How would you know?

22 JUDGE WEST: So, that would put us --

23 JUDGE DOLLINGER: But who's counting days?

24 JUDGE WEST: -- voting on it in June and giving
25 whoever it is at least a month to try to get as much to speed as

1 they can with Tina before she's gone?

2 MS. VOORHIES: Are you taking vacation, Tina?

3 MS. BENOIT: Uh-huh.

4 MS. VOORHIES: You are? You're taking vacation?

5 MS. BRODE: You're officially leaving July 31st?

6 MS. BENOIT: I'm officially leaving --

7 MS. VOORHIES: No. But I'm saying before that,
8 will you be taking any of your vacation time --

9 MS. BENOIT: Some.

01:00PM 10 MS. VOORHIES: -- that's where the person has to
11 be trained? Oh, so, it's less than a month.

12 MS. BENOIT: For the most part, Mary and Becky
13 know a lot of what I do. So, if it's something that is missed,
14 they can work alongside them and get them up to speed. So, it
15 should be okay.

16 MS. VOORHIES: Okay.

17 JUDGE WEST: Okay. So, I'll get all of these. I
18 have copies. I'll get them all, make sure we have enough,
19 before everyone leaves today make sure they get a stack of those
01:01PM 20 who are interested. Do we want -- if someone else between now
21 and the next meeting comes up and says are we still accepting
22 letters, are we still accepting? Or are we finished with that?
23 What if someone comes and says, "Hey, I didn't hear about it.
24 Now I want to do it"?

25 MS. BRODE: I recommend no, because you're giving

1 packets for the review; and their application wouldn't be able
2 to be reviewed before next month. That's just my
3 recommendation.

4 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Just to play devil's advocate,
5 I think since we didn't set a cut-off date to arbitrarily do
6 today as a cut-off date might --

7 JUDGE WEST: I mean, we could say today a cut-off
8 date of a week or two and then if we get any between now and
9 then --

01:01PM 10 JUDGE DOLLINGER: There you go.

11 JUDGE WEST: -- just e-mail it out to everyone
12 between -- and make sure everyone gets a copy.

13 MS. GODINA: How about the end of the month, the
14 last day of this month? That still gives a week.

15 JUDGE LIVELY: Does it have to be formally
16 posted?

17 JUDGE WEST: No. I think when we were here last
18 time, there really wasn't a process for it to be real formal;
19 and, so, everyone was just told to go spread the word. And, so,
01:02PM 20 somebody mentioned May 31st, the end of this month. Is that
21 fine? So, if everybody still, again, just wants to spread the
22 word and we'll have a cut-off date of May 31st. And whoever --
23 if anybody receives them, just get them to -- you have
24 everybody's e-mail? Y'all send out the agenda, I mean, the
25 notice to send that out.

1 MS. BENOIT: We do. And it would basically just
2 be to the voting members only.

3 JUDGE WEST: Yes.

4 MS. BENOIT: Anybody else I would not --

5 JUDGE WEST: Won't get that.

6 MS. BENOIT: -- will not get that, only voting
7 members.

8 JUDGE WEST: Right.

9 JUDGE LIVELY: And, for the record, Mr. Roebuck
01:02PM 10 was going to look into how to do this properly; but he didn't
11 get around to it. So...

12 JUDGE WEST: That's three.

13 MR. ROEBUCK: So --

14 JUDGE WEST: Mr. Galmor, you might need to step
15 up over there.

16 MR. ROEBUCK: -- since you chastised me, have we
17 posted this opening?

18 JUDGE WEST: (Shakes head from side to side.) We
19 did not because when we were here last time, we discussed that
01:03PM 20 we didn't think we needed to because there's nothing in our
21 rules or policy that say how to do -- how to have this
22 procedure, which may be something that we need to look into is
23 having something in our policy that actually addresses how these
24 jobs are done, but we don't have that now. So...

25 JUDGE LIVELY: Mr. Roebuck, would you look into

1 that?

2 MS. GODINA: I was going to say the same thing.

3 MR. ROEBUCK: Can I assign some of this to my
4 sidekick over here?

5 JUDGE LIVELY: You'll have to develop a procedure
6 to assign that.

7 MR. ROEBUCK: Oh, and vote on it, too. Yes,
8 ma'am.

9 JUDGE WEST: No. I mean, but do you think -- I
01:03PM 10 mean, is that okay? Do you have a -- think there's an issue
11 with the way that we're doing it now, that it would cause any
12 issues?

13 MR. GALMOR: I think the only rules are the
14 makeup of the board itself, the voting members and how those
15 have to be made up and that's not a --

16 JUDGE WEST: Right.

17 MR. GALMOR: -- not that, so...

18 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

19 MR. ROEBUCK: Yeah. I don't -- I don't think
01:04PM 20 you've got --

21 MR. PRICE: I don't think it's much, either.

22 It's just a stipend is all it is, and you get stipends all the
23 time without --

24 JUDGE WEST: Right.

25 MR. ROEBUCK: Right.

1 MR. PRICE: It's not a job.
2 MR. ROEBUCK: It's not a job. You're right.
3 JUDGE WEST: That's right.
4 MR. PRICE: It's an add-on duty with
5 additional --
6 MS. BENOIT: Headaches.
7 MR. PRICE: What's that?
8 JUDGE WEST: With additional headaches.
9 MS. BENOIT: With additional headaches.
01:04PM 10 MR. PRICE: There you go.
11 JUDGE LIVELY: In the semblance of some kind of
12 compensation.
13 MR. ROEBUCK: So, I can take that one off.
14 JUDGE WEST: Okay. Now I've lost -- oh. Okay.
15 I think that's it. Is there anything else? New business? Old
16 business that we didn't -- did I miss something?
17 MS. BENOIT: No, you didn't miss anything. I
18 just need to know if there are any more applications. Like, who
19 actually from warrant division is the voting member, 'cause the
01:04PM 20 sheriff -- who represents the sheriff's department, 'cause only
21 one of you would be eligible to vote?
22 MS. VOORHIES: It would be Ford.
23 MS. BENOIT: So, I would need to know who I would
24 need to send it to.
25 MS. VOORHIES: You can send it to Lieutenant

1 Ford, or you can send it to Chief Shauberger.

2 MS. BENOIT: Well, it has to be --

3 MS. VOORHIES: Yeah.

4 MS. BENOIT: -- somebody who knows what's going
5 on, too.

6 MS. VOORHIES: Yeah, and he does. Chief
7 Shauberger knows.

8 JUDGE WEST: Okay. I'm going to sit here and
9 make these. Anything else?

01:05PM 10 MR. REED: Yes, Judge.

11 JUDGE WEST: Yes, sir?

12 MR. REED: We had some discussion with Becky --
13 but Becky's, I guess, been out -- about if there's a local rule
14 about wearing our names on our shirts at the jail, to the
15 courts; and I don't think we've heard back from her. Does
16 anybody here know if there's any rule about wearing our shirts
17 with our name of our companies to the jail or to the courts?

18 MS. GOODNESS: No, I don't know. But the rules
19 are posted on the website, aren't they?

01:05PM 20 MS. GODINA: Yes.

21 JUDGE WEST: Like bail bond rules or --

22 MR. REED: Yes.

23 JUDGE WEST: -- court rules?

24 MR. REED: Yes, bail bond rules.

25 JUDGE WEST: Oh. I don't have any idea.

1 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Are you speaking of state or
2 local?

3 MR. REED: It would be local.

4 JUDGE WEST: I don't know.

5 JUDGE DOLLINGER: I've never heard of that.

6 JUDGE WEST: I've never heard of that. I guess
7 we could --

8 MR. PRICE: I guess we could do a word search
9 for --

01:06PM 10 MR. REED: Pardon me?

11 MR. PRICE: I said you should be able to do a
12 word search on the rules and find it, "name tag," "name."

13 JUDGE DOLLINGER: "ID."

14 | MR. PRICE: "ID."

15 JUDGE WEST: We didn't help you out on that one.
16 Sorry.

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17 | MR. REED: Okay. We'll find out.

18 | JUDGE WEST: Anything else?

19 (NO RESPONSE.)

01:06PM 20 JUDGE WEST: Okay. Then I guess our meeting is
21 adjourned; and if you're a voting member, if you'll just come by
22 and grab one of these packets of letters. Thank y'all very
23 much.

24 (MEETING CONCLUDED.)