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THOSE PRESENT:            Judge Raquel West  
                                 Judge Craig Lively  
                                 Judge Clint Woods  
                                 Erica Bell  
                                 Becky Bertrand  
                                 Tim Funchess  
                                 Dustin Galmor  
                                 Kellie Holmes  
                                 Leslie Hughes  
                                 Tom Roebuck  
                                 Chief Shauburger  
                                 Keith Day  
                                 Joe Evans  
                                 Dede Rojas  
                                 Chris Romano

1 JUDGE WEST: I'm going to call the meeting to  
2 order; and the first item on the agenda is to review and vote on  
3 the minutes from the last meeting, to approve those.

4 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Motion.

5 JUDGE WEST: Motion by Chief Shauburger.

6 MR. FUNCHESS: I'll second.

7 JUDGE WEST: Second by Mr. Funchess. Any  
8 discussion about those minutes? All in favor?

9 (AYE RESPONSES.)

10 12:36PM JUDGE WEST: Any opposed? All right. That  
11 passes.

12 Any new applications?

13 MS. BERTRAND: Not for this month.

14 JUDGE WEST: Okay. Any complaints?

15 MS. HOLMES: No, ma'am.

16 JUDGE WEST: Treasurer's report?

17 MR. FUNCHESS: I have distributed it. Everybody  
18 should have a copy. Any questions, I can address them now.

19 JUDGE WEST: Anybody have any questions about  
20 12:36PM that report?

21 All right. Any release requests, Becky?

22 MS. BERTRAND: No, ma'am.

23 JUDGE WEST: And auditor's office report?

24 MS. BELL: It's on the table by the sign-in  
25 sheet.

1 JUDGE WEST: If anybody wants to take a look at  
2 that. Is there anything special about it that we need to be --

3 MS. BELL: No.

4 JUDGE WEST: Okay. So, that's the agenda. That  
5 might be a record. Hang on. I have something to talk about.

6 MR. DAY: One new thing I just want to bring  
7 up --

8 JUDGE WEST: Okay.

9 MR. DAY: -- or you want to bring it up?

12:37PM 10 JUDGE WEST: Let me bring something up first  
11 because it might be the same thing.

12 MR. DAY: Okay.

13 JUDGE WEST: We got a request, Becky got a  
14 request regarding the 15-dollar fee that is paid on bonds and  
15 when that can be refunded; and the request was whether or not it  
16 could be refunded for dismissals. And, so, I sent that to our  
17 esteemed counsel, Mr. Roebuck, who promptly sent me the law,  
18 which I probably could've read myself, but --

19 MR. ROEBUCK: That's what you've got me for.

12:37PM 20 JUDGE WEST: It is. But, anyway, the way it  
21 reads is pretty clear, in my opinion, and that is that the  
22 surety paying that reimbursement fee can be refunded no later  
23 than the 181st day, blah, blah, blah, but specifically it says  
24 after the date the State declines to prosecute or the grand jury  
25 declines to indict. So, on felonies we have cases that are

1 dismissed, dismissals for a number of reasons. So, those would  
2 not fall under that, in my opinion. I think -- and,  
3 Mr. Roebuck, tell me if I'm reading this right -- that it would  
4 be if they get a case from an agency and it's listed as a  
5 refusal or the grand jury no bills it. Those are the two  
6 instances that I think this covers. Tom?

7 MR. ROEBUCK: Right. And, Judge, I think the  
8 reason it's in the disjunctive declines to prosecute or grand  
9 jury refuses to indict, I think that would -- I haven't read the  
10 legislative history; but, as you know, misdemeanors are filed  
11 via a complaint and an information. So, I'm satisfied that the  
12 legislation was addressing both of those issues when they --  
13 when they said declines to prosecute or refuses to indict. And,  
14 I mean, I believe that the filing of either an information or an  
15 indictment is a prosecution, period.

16 JUDGE WEST: Well, the only thing is -- yeah.  
17 So, it's a prosecution; but then they go further to say if the  
18 grand jury no bills. So, that's after a filing. So, that would  
19 be the other exception is if the grand jury no bills. So,  
20 either they refuse or no bill.

21 MR. ROEBUCK: No bills.

22 JUDGE WEST: Okay. Anybody have any questions on  
23 that? Is that not what you were going to talk about?

24 MR. DAY: No.

25 JUDGE WEST: Dang it. Our meeting's getting

1 longer. No, I'm kidding.

2 MR. DAY: Sorry. Okay. So, we had a situation  
3 come up the other day; and it happened to be Dustin's client.  
4 So, we posted a bond on a guy; and it was for a family -- some  
5 sort of family assault, domestic assault. And when we fill out  
6 the bond, we put the -- you know, all the information that we  
7 get. But on the address for the client that's on the bond, we  
8 don't have access to that unless we get it specifically from the  
9 client or a family member or friend, whoever's coming to post  
10 their bond.

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11 So, whenever they came in, we put the address  
12 that we had for the client on his bond and sent it over with --  
13 his girlfriend, I think it was -- noticed that the address on  
14 the bond was her address or I don't know. But, anyway --

15 MR. GALMOR: That's right.

16 MR. DAY: -- long story short, we didn't know  
17 what to change it to. So, when he bonds out, okay, he sees the  
18 address and finds out that the address that's on the bond is the  
19 address that he is not -- is no longer supposed to be going to  
20 because it was a family assault case. And, so, he comes -- he  
21 comes unglued on us because we had that address and he wanted --  
22 he wanted it changed and obviously the bond had already been  
23 posted and we don't have access to that. So, he wanted to  
24 actually go turn himself in and post a whole new bond; and I  
25 talked him out of it. So, Dustin finally talked him off the

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1 ledge, said, "Don't worry about it. It's just on the bond." He  
2 was worried that --

3 JUDGE WEST: He would get in trouble.

4 MR. DAY: -- the courts were going to see it and  
5 he was going to get in trouble.

6 So, my question -- this is the first time this  
7 has ever come up; and I usually only bring stuff up as it comes  
8 up, as you know. But what I wanted to find out is we don't get  
9 that information from the jail any longer --

12:41PM 10 JUDGE WEST: I thought we talked not long ago.

11 MR. DAY: -- the address.

12 MS. HUGHES: We did.

13 JUDGE WEST: I thought we had a whole  
14 conversation about getting addresses. Am I -- okay.

15 MS. HUGHES: You're supposed to leave it blank.

16 MR. DAY: Just leave it? Okay. So, we can't --

17 MS. HUGHES: And once they --

18 MR. DAY: That was going to be my question.

19 MS. HUGHES: -- are released, we have them to put  
12:41PM 20 their addresses in at that time.

21 MR. DAY: Okay. So, just leave the address  
22 blank?

23 MS. HUGHES: Since we don't have the correct  
24 address.

25 MR. ROMANO: I'm listening.

1 MR. DAY: That's the first I've heard of that.

2 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: We talked about that.

3 JUDGE WEST: I know we -- when you started  
4 talking, it sounded very familiar. I mean, it was obviously for  
5 a different set of facts but --

6 MR. DAY: Okay.

7 JUDGE WEST: -- something was brought up where  
8 there was an issue with you guys getting correct addresses --

9 MR. DAY: Well, that's --

10 12:42PM JUDGE WEST: -- and things like that.

11 MR. DAY: -- perfect because that was going to be  
12 what I asked is if we could just leave it blank and let the  
13 client fill it in when he signs.

14 JUDGE WEST: Do you want to send something out to  
15 the bonds men so they all know that?

16 MR. DAY: I can, because evidently nobody was  
17 here for that. Did y'all have a special meeting that we don't  
18 know anything about?

19 MS. BERTRAND: Do you not read the minutes that  
20 12:42PM are emailed to you?

21 MR. DAY: I didn't see that. I didn't approve...

22 JUDGE WEST: I don't remember when it was. It  
23 was some time ago.

24 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: It's been months back.

25 MS. HUGHES: It's been some months back.

1 JUDGE WEST: Look. And if I remember  
2 something...

3 MR. DAY: All right.

4 JUDGE LIVELY: I think we said let's talk about  
5 this when Keith wasn't here.

6 MR. DAY: That's what it was. That's those  
7 Tuesday meetings y'all have.

8 MS. HUGHES: Tamara was here.

9 MR. DAY: She didn't tell me.

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10 JUDGE WEST: So, this was easy. That was easy.  
11 Any other new business or anything that's come up that we need  
12 to talk about? All right.

13 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Motion to adjourn.

14 JUDGE LIVELY: Move to adjourn.

15 JUDGE WEST: We're adjourned.

16 (MEETING ADJOURNED.)

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