

**MINUTES**  
**February 18, 2020**  
**9:00 A.M.**  
**ND PISB Board Meeting-Sanford Officers Training Center**  
**Mandan, ND**

1. Chairman Mike Wetsch called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Board members present: Mike Wetsch, Ernie Thurman, Randy Ziegler, Jason Nelson, and Justin Blinsky. Board members absent Dale Maixner. Others present: Executive Director John J. Shorey III, Board Legal Counsel Monte Rogneby, and Carrie Abbey with Abbey Investigations.
2. Minutes were reviewed from the December 6, 2019 regular Board meeting and the December 30, 2019 special Board meeting. Ernie made a motion to approve both minutes. Seconded by Randy. M/S/C.
3. Board Treasurer Ernie Thurman gave the financial report. Ernie advised the Board was waiting on the accountant to do some work in QuickBooks to be able to reconcile, so the January 2020 were not available. Ernie advised once available; they would be sent out to all Board members. Ernie advised there was currently \$31,631.32 in checking plus the two CDs. Justin made a motion to approve the financial report. Jason seconded. M/S/C.
4. John summarized the information regarding the outcome of Registered Investigator Jeffrey Johnson's (with The R&D Agency, Inc.) criminal charges against him in Minnesota. John advised these charges were disclosed on the late renewal of Jeffrey Johnson's registered investigator application. John advised he discussed Mr. Johnson's renewal application with the Chairman, and it was decided to renew the registration as the charges were still in the court system, and to review the matter again once the final disposition of the charges occurred. John advised Mr. Johnson provided the court documents for the charges that included the cancellation of domestic abuse no contact order, an order for the charge of disorderly conduct offensive/abusive/boisterous/noisy/obscene and an order for the charge domestic abuse no contact order-violate no contact order. John advised the dispositions of both charges was a stay of adjudication, with probation for 1 year, and successful completion of probation will result in dismissal.
5. A motion was made by Justin to close the meeting for an executive session for attorney consultation concerning Jeffrey Johnson, Registered Investigation-Disorderly Conduct & Violate No Contact Order Stay of Adjudication, Nocturnal Resources/Jade Presents-Potential Unlicensed Security Activity Update, 701 Investigations- Jon Jacobson Update, and TigerSwan Update. Seconded by Ernie. A roll call vote was taken, and it was unanimous to go into executive session. The executive session began at 9:30 a.m. The batteries of the recorder used to record the executive session died and the executive session adjourned at 9:44 a.m. The public was invited back for the open session of the meeting. Monte stepped out of the meeting.
6. John summarized the issues surrounding Melanie Carr's denied application and subsequent renewal application. John advised the Board received an initial application for Melanie Carr as a registered investigator with Metro Private Investigations, Inc. on 9-28-18. John advised the application was denied on 10-9-18 and was never appealed. John advised on 9-27-19 that the Board received a renewal application for Melanie Carr. John advised a letter of inquiry was sent to the agency and they responded that they never received the notice of intent to deny application and that Melanie Carr has not worked any cases/investigations in North Dakota. John advised in their response they requested an exception for Melanie Carr to be able to appeal the denial without having to apply anew. The Board advised John to

inform the applicant and agency that Melanie Carr would need to apply anew, and that application would then go straight to the executive committee as an appeal for review.

7. John provided an update with the late renewal with unlicensed activity violation of Richard Berg. John advised the letter of reprimand had yet not been composed and sent.
8. John provide and update with SB 2306 Military Spouses and HB 1332. John advised the Board was at the point that draft administrative rules needed to be developed and a special meeting needed to be scheduled at the full Board level based on previous discussion to discuss the draft rules. John advised legal counsel Justin Hagel had composed a memo on SB 2306 for the Board. John suggested that Board members compile their own thoughts on HB 1332 draft administrative rules and bring those thoughts to the special meeting to help speed up the special meeting.
9. John provided an update on the volunteer security questions. John advised he had not done any work on the matter.
10. John summarized his experiences at the FARB Forum in Colorado that he attended. John commented he thought the conference was greatly beneficial for the Board. John advised he brought back some ideas, and when he got caught up would come back to the Board with those ideas.
11. John provided an update with Emmanuel Ezeh. John advised he had reached out to Mr. Ezeh after the last Board meeting and advised him of what was discussed. John stated Mr. Ezeh wanted to talk with Monte about his situation. John advised Monte was fine with talking with Mr. Ezeh but wanted him to join the conversation also. John advised he had reached out to Mr. Ezeh about setting something up and Mr. Ezeh had not gotten back to him yet. John advised Mr. Ezeh had not submitted any further documentation to the Board.
12. John provided an update with the Lincoln Brower stipulation. John advised the Board received a letter on 12-17-19 from Patrick Healey outlining training he had conducted for Lincoln Brower to meet the terms of the stipulation Mr. Brower had entered into with the Board. John advised Mr. Brower also wanted a letter advising he had satisfied all the terms of the stipulation now that he completed this training. Ernie made a motion to accept the training as meeting the requirements laid out in the stipulation and directed John to write a letter advising Mr. Brower had now satisfied all the terms of the stipulation. Randy seconded. M/S/C.
13. John provided an update on the Matthew Beauchene potential unlicensed private investigation activity. John advised he had been in contact with the Cass County Sheriff's Department in Fargo, ND about serving Mr. Beauchene and that he needed to send the documents to them and would report back at the next meeting.
14. John provided an update with the licensing exams and study guides. John advised the committee had not yet met, and the last discussion was to hold off until the administrative rules were drafted as an exam may need to be developed for the armed first responder in school training program. The Board took a break at approximately 10:00 a.m. Monte returned to the meeting after the break.
15. Monte provided an update with Eagle Eye Security Systems. Monte advised he had not received a response from them. Monte advised he and John would work on the volunteer security questions.

16. John summarized the information received regarding security officer Nicholas Williams from Tyler and Jazmin Gensrich with Hyperion Protection & Recovery, Inc. John did not know if the Board needed to take any action at this point and that he believed the ball was in Gensrichs' court to file a formal complaint. The Board advised no action was needed until a formal complaint was lodged. Carrie Abbey left the meeting at this time.

17. A motion was made by Randy to close the meeting for an executive session for attorney consultation concerning Nocturnal Resources/Jade Presents-Potential Unlicensed Security Activity Update, 701 Investigations- Jon Jacobson Update, and TigerSwan Update. Seconded by Justin. A roll call vote was taken, and it was unanimous to go into executive session. The executive session began at 10:20 a.m. The executive session adjourned at 10:42 a.m. The public was invited back for the open session of the meeting.

18. Randy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Ernie. M/S/C. Meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

  
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Chairman

5-21-20  
Date

  
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NDPISB Executive Director

5-19-2020  
Date