

Milwaukee County Personnel Review Board

Meeting Minutes – January 15, 2019

I. Roll Call

Board President Daniel Dennehy called to order the regular meeting of the Personnel Review Board at 9:10 a.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, in Room 203-R of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

The following Board Members were present: Mr. Greg Renz and Mr. Rufino Gaytán III. Ms. Mary K. Bruno and Mr. David Kern appeared via video conference. Mr. Daniel Dennehy appeared telephonically.

II. Approval of the Minutes of the December 18, 2018 Meeting

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Gaytán seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2018 meeting.

III. Acknowledge Attorney Molly Zillig’s Work with the Board

Ms. Bruno expressed, on behalf of the Board, that it would like to recognize Attorney Molly Zillig and express its sincere appreciation for her service to Milwaukee County and the Personnel Review Board.

Attorney Zillig began her employment with Milwaukee County in 2007 and she is a respected and valued member of Milwaukee County’s Corporation Counsel. The PRB would like to thank Attorney Zillig for her dedicated and exceptional service. We wish her abundant happiness and the very best for continued success in her new appointment as Chief Legal and Compliance Officer for the Sheriff’s Department. Thank you Molly!

IV. Communications and/or comments from the public, if any.

None.

V. Correspondence

None.

VI. First Appearances

A. DISCHARGES

NATAHNIEL KEATON, MECHANIC FLEET, DOT

Case #2-4502 dated 12/27/2018

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Nathaniel Keaton, had resigned from County service effective January 3, 2019. The Board acknowledged the resignation of Nathaniel Keaton and closed this case.

WENDY VANDYKE, CLERICAL ASSISTANT I, DHHS

Case #2-4503 dated 12/31/2018

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Wendy VanDyke, had resigned from County service effective January 14, 2019. The Board acknowledged the resignation of Wendy VanDyke and closed this case.

CHARLESA STEWART, CORRECTION OFFICER I, SHERIFF

Case #2-4504 dated 12/28/2018 for IA #18-326

The Board heard the request of Attorney Mark Sweet, Sweet & Associates, to continue the matter of Charlesa Stewart for hearing certain on February 26, 2019. Ms. Bruno moved, Mr. Gaytán seconded, and the Board voted (5-0) to continue the matter for hearing certain on February 26, 2019.

SHAWNITA CUNNINGHAM, CUSTODIAL WORKER ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR, ZOO

Case #2-4511 dated 01/04/2019

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Shawnita Cunningham, wished to continue the matter for hearing certain on February 12, 2019. Ms. Bruno moved, Mr. Renz seconded, and the Board voted (5-0) to continue the matter for hearing certain on February 12, 2019.

B. SUSPENSIONS

CHRISTAL JESTER, CORRECTION OFFICER I, SHERIFF

Case #1-4505 dated 12/28/2018 for IA #18-332 for 10 Days

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Christal Jester, who was not present, had submitted a waiver of hearing on the Notice of Suspension. The Board acknowledged the waiver and closed this case.

ALEXUS NOLAN, CORRECTION OFFICER I, SHERIFF

Case #1-4506 dated 12/28/2018 for IA #18-333 for 3 Days

Case #1-4507 dated 12/28/2018 for IA #18-335 for 5 Days

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Alexis Nolan, who was not present, had submitted waivers of hearing on the Notices of Suspension. The Board acknowledged the waivers and closed this case.

COLIN BRIGGS, DEPUTY SHERIFF CAPTAIN, SHERIFF

Case #1-4509 dated 12/28/2018 for IA #18-199 for 5 Days

The Board heard the request of the employee, Colin Briggs, to continue the matter for hearing certain on February 26, 2019. Ms. Bruno moved, Mr. Renz seconded, and the Board voted (5-0) to continue the matter for hearing certain on February 26, 2019.

C. SUSPENSION & DEMOTION

CATHERINE TROMBOLI, DEPUTY SHERIFF CAPTAIN, SHERIFF

Case #1-4508 dated 12/28/2018 for IA #17-208 for 5 Days

Case #3-4510 dated 01/03/2019 for IA #14-211

The Board heard Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, for the appointing authority, state for the record that the appointing authority was withdrawing the Notice of Suspension and Charges for Demotion against Catherine Trimboli with prejudice. The Board acknowledged the withdrawal of the notice of suspension and charges for demotion for Catherin Trimboli and closed these cases.

VII. Hearing

A. DISCHARGE

THOMAS J. ANTKOWSKI, DEPUTY SHERIFF I, SHERIFF

Case #2-4496 dated 11/08/2018 for IA #18-294

The Board heard the request of Attorney Chris MacGillis, MacGillis Wiemer, LLC, to adjourn the matter to March 12, 2019 for hearing. Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, requested that the hearing be scheduled as soon as possible. The Board decided to schedule the matter for an update report on January 29, 2019. At that time, the Board will receive a status update on the confirmation of a hearing on March 12, 2019, as well as a status update on the waiver of back pay request.

Ms. Bruno moved, Mr. Renz seconded, and the Board voted (5-0) to continue the matter for an update report on January 29, 2019.

VIII. Review and Discussion of Open Appeals

At 9:35 a.m., Mr. Gaytán moved, Mr. Renz seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to go into closed session to review and discuss open appeals regarding Personnel Review Board decisions. At 9:40 a.m., the Board reconvened in open session.

IX. Adjourn

Mr. Gaytán moved, Mr. Renz seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (5-0), adjourned the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Alisha Terry, Administrative Assistant