Chicago Police Board Public Meeting

Meeting

Taken on: January 15, 2015
POLICE BOARD PUBLIC MEETING

The public meeting of the Chicago Police Board, convened at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 15, 2015, at City of Chicago Office of Public Safety Headquarters, 3510 South Michigan Avenue, taken before RACHEL SMITH, Certified Shorthand Reporter within the State of Illinois.

Mr. Demetrius E. Carney, presiding.

PRESENT:

DEMETRIUS E. CARNEY, President
GHIAN FOREMAN, Vice President (telephonically)
WILLIAM P. CONLON
MICHAEL EADDY
RITA A. FRY
ELISA RODRIGUEZ
RHODA SWEENEY

ALSO PRESENT:

ALFONZA WYSINGER, First Deputy Superintendent of Police;
SCOTT ANDO,
Chief Administrator of the Independent Police Review Authority;
WILLIAM BAZEREK,
First Assistant General Counsel to the Superintendent.
MR. CARNEY: Calling the January 15th meeting of the Police Board to order. Let me start off by saying Happy New Year to everyone on behalf of the Police Board. Vice President Foreman is unable to attend this meeting in person and wishes to attend via audio conference. And we have dialed in, and Mr. Foreman is on the line. Mr. Foreman, are you there?

MR. FOREMAN: I am here.

MR. CARNEY: Is there a motion to permit him to participate?

MS. FRY: So motioned.

MR. CARNEY: Motion?

MR. CONLON: Second.

MR. CARNEY: All in favor?

BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

MR. CARNEY: The first item of business is approval of the minutes of the Police Board's public meeting of December 11, 2014. Is there motion to a move the minutes?

MR. EADDY: So motioned.

MS. FRY: Second.

MR. CARNEY: All in favor?

BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.
MR. CARNEY: The schedule of the Board's regular monthly public meetings for 2015 are available in the blue books and also on our website. Our next public meeting will be held here at the Office of Chicago Public Safety at 35th and Michigan on February 19th at 7:30. At this time, I would ask the motion to close a series of executive sessions for the purposes of considering litigation and personnel matters as authorized by the Open Meetings Act. Is there a motion?

MS. FRY: So motioned.

MR. EADDY: Second.

MR. CARNEY: All in favor?

BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

MR. CARNEY: A report of disciplinary cases taken by the Board in previous months have been made available at this evening's meeting. This report and the Board's written findings, our decisions are again posted on our website. Now, we have to as authorized by the Open Meetings Act, we have to take final action on the disciplinary cases from our last executive session. So that's what we are going to do right now. The Police Board is authorized by the Open Meetings Act as considered in closed meetings
several disciplinary cases. The Board will now take
final action on these cases. Regarding Police Board
case, 14 PB 2852, is there a motion to find Police
Officer Taric Webb not guilty of the charges that he
failed to reside in the City of Chicago, and to
reinstate him to his position with the Chicago
Police Department?

    MS. FRY: So moved.

    MR. CARNEY: Second?

    MR. CONLON: Second.

    MR. CARNEY: All in favor?

In favor are Carney, Conlon, Fry, Rodriguez, Sweeney
vote in favor of the motion. Please vote by raising
your hand. Any opposed, and I think Foreman and
Eaddy are opposed.

    Voting in favor are board members Conlon,
    Fry, Rodriguez, Sweeney and myself. Board members
    Foreman and Eaddy are opposed. The motion passes.

Is there a motion to adopt the written findings and
decisions and dissent that has been reviewed by all
Board members who participated in the case?

    MS. FRY: So motioned.

    MR. EADDY: Second.

    MR. CARNEY: All in favor? The motion passed
by unanimous consent.

This is regarding Police Board case 14 PB 2858. Is there a motion to find Police Officer Broderick Snelling not guilty of the charges related to where he actually resides in the City of Chicago, and to reinstate him to his position with the Chicago Police Department. Is there a motion?

MS. FRY: So motion.

MR. CONLON: Second.

MR. CARNEY: All in favor? Raise your hand, Carney, Foreman, Conlon, Eaddy, Fry, Rodriguez, and Sweeney vote in favor. Any opposed? None opposed. Voting in favor are board members Foreman, Conlon, Eaddy, Fry, Rodriguez, Sweeney, and myself. Motion passes. Is there a motion to adopt the written findings and decisions that have been reviewed by all board members who participated in the case?

MS. FRY: So moved.

MR. EADDY: Second.

MR. CARNEY: All in favor?

BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

MR. CARNEY: Any opposed? This motion passes by unanimous consent.

The Board's decision in all the cases in
which the Board took final action this evening will be entered as of today's date and will be issued to the parties. A copy of the written decisions will be posted on the Board's website within ten business days pursuant to the Chicago Municipal Code.

The next item on the agenda concerns the rules of procedure for the Board's handling of disciplinary cases. The Board plans to reconsider revisions of its rules of procedure. A draft of the proposed provisions will be posted on the Board's website. Any individual or organization wishing to comment on the proposed revision will have an opportunity to do so at the February 19th as well as the March 19th public meeting of the Board.

The Board will also consider written comments received in the Police Board's office by March 31, 2015.

Copies of orders issued by the Superintendent during the previous months are listed in the blue books and are available also on the Chicago Police Department's website.

The next item of business is the Superintendent's report. Is there a motion to waive the oral presentation and receive the monthly
reporting in writing?

MR. EADDY: So motioned.

MR. CONLON: Second.

MR. CARNEY: All in favor?

BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

MR. CARNEY: The motion passes. I'll now call upon those members of the public who signed up to speak in advance. When your name is called, please step up to the microphone. We ask that you limit your comments to two minutes. Dan Tuls? Robert More?

That's all we have at this point in time, so I'll ask for a motion to adjourn.

MS. FRY: So motioned.

MR. CONLON: Second.

MR. CARNEY: All in favor?

BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

MR. CARNEY: The motion passes and the meeting is adjourned. All the best for 2015.

(WHEREUPON, were all the proceedings had.)
STATE OF ILLINOIS )
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COUNTY OF COOK }

RACHEL SMITH, being first duly sworn, on oath says that she is a Certified Shorthand Reporter, doing business in the City of Chicago, County of Cook and the State of Illinois;

That she also reported in shorthand the proceedings had at the foregoing Police Board Public Meeting;

And that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of her shorthand notes so taken as aforesaid and contains all the proceedings had at the said Police Board Public Meeting.

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Rachel Smith, CSR  
CSR. No. 84-4161.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 30th day of January, A.D., 2015.

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Laura M. Smith  NOTARY PUBLIC