

MINUTES
BOARD OF EXAMINERS
BAIL ENFORCEMENT AGENTS
MEETING
MONDAY
MAY 23, 2019
10:00 A.M.
150 MARTIN L. KING, JR. BOULEVARD, SOUTH
TATNALL BUILDING
ROOM 112
DOVER, DE

I. Call To Order

Major Hudson called the meeting to order at 1012 hours and subsequently turned the meeting over to Ms. Hughes. The meeting is being recorded and will be maintained by the Professional Licensing Section.

Introductions were made around the table. Major Hudson thanked Ms. Counihan, on behalf of Major Zebley, for her service to the Board since this is her last meeting.

The following members of the Board of Examiners were in attendance:

Major Robert A. Hudson – Proxy for Major Melissa A. Zebley
Chief Robert Kracyla – Proxy for Director John Yeomans
Mr. Michael J. Dellose
Mr. Kevin C. Hamilton
Ms. Robin David

The following members of the Board of Examiners were absent:

Mr. Brandon Habron

The following staff members were in attendance:

Victoria W. Counihan, Esquire
Lieutenant Charles A. Sawchenko
Sergeant Dana M. Berry
Ms. Ashley N. Hughes
Mr. Christopher J. Scott
Ms. DeAnna C. Sterling
Mr. Michael Terranova

The following staff members were absent:

Captain S. Benjamin Parsons

The following guests were in attendance:

Lieutenant Eric L. Hamm

II. Review and Acceptance of Minutes

A. February 14, 2019

Mr. Dellose, with a second by Ms. David, made a motion to approve the minutes from 02/14/19 as presented. The motion was carried.

III. Rules & Regulations

A. Rule 2.0 Badges, Patches, Advertisements

1. Final Publication – *Exhibit A*

Ms. Hughes informed the Board that Rule 2.0 was unable to go through final publication from the previous meeting due to an error in the document. Rule 2.0 was re-presented for final publication.

Chief. Kracyla, with a second by Mr. Dellose made a motion to approve Rule 2.0 for Final Publication. The motion was carried.

IV. Initial Classroom Training/Continuing Education

A. Initial Classroom Training

Ms. Hughes presented that there are 14 individuals interested in the Initial Classroom Training at this time and are just waiting from Del-Tech for the date of the training. Mr. Terranova expressed that he will have to speak with Chief Kracyla but that the Initial Classroom Training should be ready for the first week of August.

B. Continuing Education

Mr. Terranova stated that this year's continuing education class is online and that he had just gotten the videos for that complete. The class should go online within the next two weeks and be open until around November 30th.

VI. Old Business

A. Professional Licensing

1. Drones

a. Lt. Eric Hamm

Ms. Hughes introduced Lt. Eric Hamm to speak on the topic of Drones and their potential usage by Bail Enforcement Agents. Lt. Hamm stated that he believed that utilization of drones by a bail enforcement agent would require that agent to carry a commercial pilots license for drones. He then went on to explain the general process for the test to obtain a commercial pilots license for drones. Lt. Hamm explained that drone law isn't included in Delaware State Law because it is all mandated federal law. Lt. Hamm also mentioned the FAA Aviation Law Part 107 that enables drones to be used during the day only and a waiver would be required to use at night. Chief Kracyla inquired if Mr. Hamilton had noticed a push from the industry to use drones. Mr. Hamilton stated that he hadn't noticed a large push but that he personally had used drones before, as he was unaware of the law.

Ms. Hughes inquired if the size of the drone made any difference in the law. Lt. Hamm stated that as long as the drone is below half a pound or below .55 then a commercial pilots license wouldn't be required. Major Hudson cautioned against potentially attempting to regulate drone usage since it is already regulated by the federal laws. Ms. Counihan made mention that it may be something beneficial to add to the educational courses for Bail Enforcement Agents to inform the Agents about the laws that do regulate drone usage. Mr. Terranova added that he can speak with Lt. Hamm about adding the usage of drones to the initial classroom training. Chief Kracyla asked the question of whether or not the Bail Enforcement Agents would be able to use the drones and Lt. Hamm stated that as long as they're using a drone under a commercial license or using a drone under half a pound in size then he believes they would be able to.

B. Board Members

The Board Members did not have any Old Business at this time.

C. Major

Major Hudson did not have any Old Business at this time.

A. Professional Licensing

Professional Licensing did not have any new Business at this time.

B. Board Members

The Board Members did not have any New Business at this time.

C. Major

Major Hudson did not have any New Business at this time.

VIII. Public Comment (At the discretion of the Chair)

Mr. Terranova referred back to the minutes to the February meeting regarding the discussion of the initial classroom training and what was required per law. He also stated that with the continuing education courses input from the Board and Industry leaders is requested and utilized.

IX. Adjournment

A. Schedule Next Meeting

1. Thursday, August 15, 2019 @ 10:00am

Mr. Dellose, with a second by Chief Kracyla, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried. The meeting adjourned at 1036 hours.