

**Minutes of Public Meeting of the  
Constable Ethics, Standards and Training Board  
July 18, 2018**



A public meeting of the Constables Ethics, Standards and Training Board (CESTB) was convened on July 18, 2018 at 10:39 a.m. at the offices of Capitol Consulting 818 North First Street Phoenix, AZ 85004. Present were the following members of the CESTB: Chairman Mike Cobb. and. Present via teleconference were the following members of the CESTB: Constable David Lester, Christine Shipley and Dan Ryan. CESTB members absent were Valerie Beckett, Sheriff Adam Shepherd and Judge Barbara Brown. The following staff was present – Tracy Unmacht. Members of the public in attendance included Tim Moder, Constable Ray Cullison, Sherri Cullison, Constable Scott Blake, Constable Ron Williams, Constable Mike Branham, and Scott Blake. Guest participating via teleconference was Robin Hillyard.

A quorum was reached and the following matters were discussed and decided at the meeting:

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

Corrections: None

Constable Lester made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the May 16 and June 20, 2018 CESTB meetings. Dan Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report:** Staff reviewed the May FY 18 reports from the Department of Administration Central Services Bureau (CSB) and noted we have not yet received the June/Year end reports. Constable Lester made a motion to approve the May financial report and Christine Shipley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Call to the Public:** No public comments were made.

**Constable Complaints:**

**CNA230-2018 Cullison** – Chairman Cobb reviewed the nature of the complaint with the Board. Constable Lester made a motion to issue a reprimand and Dan Ryan seconded. The motion passed with Chairman Cobb abstaining.

**Initial Screening of new Constable Complaints:**

Complaint received 5-25-18 Serna & Castanon v Gamez – Chairman Cobb reviewed the nature of the complaint with the Board. Castanon's complaint was for service on May 14<sup>th</sup>, which was not performed by Contable Gamez, but by a private process server. Serna's complaint alleged the Constable was breaking and entering, but the Constable was acting within his authority. Dan Ryan made a motion to dismiss the complaint and Christine Shipley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Complaint received 6-1-18 Rucker v Clark – this complaint was previously addressed and dismissed with case CNA225-2018. No new relevant information was submitted with this complaint. Constable Lester made a motion to dismiss and Christine Shipley seconded. The motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

Complaint received 6-5-18 Rucker v Clark – Chairman Cobb reviewed the nature of the complaint which claims the Constable is illegally displaying the State of Arizona Seal. Constable Lester made a motion to dismiss the complaint and Christine Shipley seconded. The motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

Complaint received 6-12-18 Rucker v Clark - Chairman Cobb reviewed the nature of the complaint which was previously addressed and dismissed. Constable Lester made a motion to dismiss the complaint and Christine Shipley seconded. The motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

Complaint received 6-13-18 Rucker v Clark - Chairman Cobb reviewed the nature of the complaint in which Mr. Rucker alleges the constable is printing false information in his campaign materials. Constable Lester made a motion to dismiss the complaint and Christine Shipley seconded. The motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

**Request to extend grant contract period for CNA18-402 Navajo County**

Due to circumstances out of their control, the county did not receive delivery of the vehicles covered in the grant prior to the contract expiration. They've reported the vehicles are now scheduled to be delivered soon.

Constable Lester made a motion to extend the CNA18-402 grant contract an additional 3 months and Christine Shipley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Administrative Update**

New CESTB rules took effect on July 1. Staff was directed to send a final copy to the AZ Constables Association for dissemination to all constables.

Change to how writ fees are collected will take effect on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Staff sent a letter to all of the justice courts informing them of the change.

**Adjournment:** Dan Ryan made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Christine Shipley seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 15 day of July, ~~2017~~ <sup>2018</sup>

Constable Ethics, Standards and Training Board

By



Chairman Mike Cobb