

The Alabama Private Investigation Board
Summary of Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2021

With proper and required notice having been provided to the Alabama Secretary of State's Office along with posting on the website of the Alabama Secretary of State, a meeting of the Alabama Private Investigation Board was held on August 24, 2021 online via Zoom and at 60 Commerce Street, Suite 1440, Montgomery, Alabama. The meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m. by Chairman Charles Knight.

A quorum having been established; the following Board members participated at the meeting:

Charles Knight – in person
Jim Casteel – in person
Scott Hawk – in person
Eddie Cox – virtual

Also, in attendance was Ben Albrighton from the AG's Office - virtual, Claire Austin, Executive Director in person, Will Parker, PI Board Administrator in person, and Brenda Holden– virtual. Board Members Tracy Crane and Sheriff Derrick Cunningham were absent.

For the Board members, all voting actions of the Board were clarified by Claire Austin after each vote for the recorder. The meeting was opened with prayer offered by Jim Casteel. The agenda and minutes were passed unanimously. Claire Austin and Will Parker provided the Executive Directors report. Legal Counsel Ben Albritton said there was no additional information to share other than what had already been reported.

In Old Board Business Jim Casteel discussed the study guide that he and others had been working on. The Education Committee assigned will work on finalizing the book. A copy was provided to all Board Members to review and share their input before the Committee meets on September 22nd.

In New Business Charles Knight, Board Chair, spoke about the Board receiving some complaints about Process Servers. It was acknowledged that many people working as Process Servers for the Courts were Licensed Private Investigators but since they were employed by the Court they were not regulated in that capacity by the Board. It was suggested that the Board should look into possible fixing this oversight in the future.

The next meeting will be October 26, 2021 and meeting adjourned after the motion passed at 11:10 am.

Submitted for posting Tuesday, August 24, 2021.

Brenda W. Holden
Recording Secretary