

Board Meeting Minutes September 17, 2013

The Alabama Private Investigation Board met on Tuesday, September 17, 2013, at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, for the purpose of conducting Board business. Those present were as follows: Mr. Charlie Hopkins, Chair; Mr. Bill Posey, Vice-Chair; Mr. Eddie Cox, Member; Ms. Dollye Edmondson, Member; and Mr. Charles Knight, Member. Also present were: Ms. Olivia Martin, Assistant Attorney General; and Ms. Renee' Reames, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:17 a.m. with a quorum established in the following members: Mr. Charlie Hopkins, Chair; Mr. Bill Posey, Vice-Chair; Mr. Eddie Cox, Member; Ms. Dollye Edmondson, Member; and Mr. Charles Knight, Member.

The meeting was advertised on the Secretary of State's website located at www.sos.alabama.gov in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

Mr. Charles Knight made a motion that the Chairman appoint a selection committee comprised of four (4) Board members to meet the three bidders and report to the Board at the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bill Posey. Following further discussion, Mr. Charles Knight amended his motion to interview the two lowest bidders. The amended motion was seconded by Mr. Bill Posey and was unanimously approved by the Board.

The Chair appointed Mr. Bill Posey, Mr. Charles Knight, Ms. Dollye Edmondson, and Mr. Eddie Cox, to serve on the selection committee and the committee agreed to go to the individual facilities to conduct the interviews.

The Selection Committee, along with the Chair, and with guest present, interviewed Mr. Keith Warren, President of Warren & Company, Inc., who was the second lowest bidder for the Administrative Management Services Contract.

Mr. Bill Posey made a motion to overturn the earlier motion concerning individual licensing fees and to not set a fee until additional information is obtained about local fees and taxes as it relates to Chapter 19 of the statute. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eddie Cox and was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Charles Knight made a motion to dispense with the reading of the August 19, 2013, Board meeting minutes and to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eddie Cox and was unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board recognized Billy Smith, a long-time private investigator in Montgomery, who passed away on September 16, 2013.

The Chair called a recess of the Board at 11:30 a.m. for lunch. He indicated that during this recess, the he and the Selection Committee would interview Ms. Paula McCaleb, President of Leadership Alliance, LLC, who was the lowest bidder for the Administrative Services Contract. The Chair announced that the Board meeting would reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:30 p.m. The same members were present comprising a quorum to conduct Board business.

The Chair called for a vote in favor of the lowest bidder, Leadership Alliance, LLC, and the Board unanimously accepted the lowest bid.

Mr. Bill Posey thanked Mr. Keith Warren, President of Warren & Company, Inc., for the use of the facilities and assistance in coordinating previous Board meetings and made a motion to reimburse Warren & Company, Inc. for the use of the facilities. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Knight and was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Keith Warren, President of Warren, Inc., thanked the Board and declined sending an invoice to the Board.

The Board recessed at 1:34 p.m. for the Chairman to notify Ms. Paula McCaleb, President of Leadership Alliance, LLC, of the Board decision.

The Board meeting reconvened at 1:38 p.m.

The Chair announced that the next Board meeting would be held on October 8, 2013.

There being no further Board business, Mr. Charles Knight made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Bill Posey seconded the motion and was unanimously approved by the Board. The meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlie Hopkins, Chair

Bill Posey, Vice Chair