

**State of Nevada**  
**Private Investigators Licensing Board**  
**03-29-21 Special Teleconference Meeting**

Chair Tammy Nixon called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and asked Director Ingram to call roll of the board members present.

**Agenda Item 1. Roll Call of Board Members Present**

Tammy Nixon, Chair

Rick Brown

Katherine Cortez

Robert Gronauer

Executive Director Ingram informed Chair Nixon that a quorum had been established for the meeting and that the following staff were also present.

Staff Present:

Kevin Ingram, PILB Executive Director

Michael Detmer, Deputy Attorney General (DAG), Board Counsel

Mary Klemme, PILB Financial Specialist

**Agenda Item 2. Public Comment**

Chair Nixon announced that this was an opportunity for members of the general public to comment on matters appearing on the agenda and may bring matters not appearing on the agenda to the attention of the Board. The Board may discuss the matters not appearing on the agenda but may not act on the matters at this meeting. If the Board desires, the matters may be placed on a future agenda for possible action. Public comments may be limited to 5 minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair-but will not be restricted according to a viewpoint. Note that there will be additional Public Comment at the end of the meeting.

Chair Nixon asked if there was any Public Comment in the south and there was none.

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### **Agenda Item3. Roll Call of Public Attendees**

Chair Nixon asked Executive Director Ingram to call role for any public in attendance.

Executive Director Ingram asked if there were any public persons in attendance, and license holder Ed Norton responded that he was present.

### **Agenda Item 4. Request of Authority to Issue a Subpoena**

Chair Nixon read this agenda item into the record: "Per NRS 648.160, review, discussion, and decision on issuance or delegation of power to the Executive Director for issuance of a subpoena duces tecum regarding Case # I-0077-20, for possible action." She then asked who would be presenting.

DAG Detmer stated that he would be presenting on behalf of Executive Director Ingram, and that there had been multiple complaints about unlicensed activity of the respondents, and that the PILB had opened an investigation. It was stated that the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum for records, including possible contracts for security services, may lead to confirming or refuting the allegations of the complaints.

He went on to say that the Board may issue the subpoena itself or delegate the subpoena power to Executive Director Ingram for this matter. If not delegated, then if edits or additional subpoenas were needed, the Board would have to reconvene to make those determinations.

He also said that he would be happy to answer any questions the Board may have; however, his answers may be limited out of caution to prevent violating Open Meeting Laws, due to lack of prior notice to the subjects. He also stated that he would be cautious to not over divulge in fear of biasing the Board in the event the outcome of the investigation brought the respondents before them for a hearing.

Board Member Gronauer started to make a motion, as Board Member Cortez asked if there had been previous investigations done involving this case.

DAG Detmer responded that he couldn't respond as to whether there had been previous investigations regarding the case or respondents.

Board Member Gronauer entered a motion to delegate the authority to Executive Director Ingram the power for issuance of a subpoena duces tecum regarding Case # I-0077-20.

Board Member Cortez seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Nixon proposed revisiting the discussion of delegating the subpoena authority to the Executive Director so that the Board doesn't have to have special meetings, in each case like this one, for which it is an expense to the agency. She asked if there could be a possible action for this at the next Board meeting.

Board Member Cortez asked if the Board could discuss and move on this matter today.

DAG Detmer responded that this could be added as a future agenda item.

Board Member Brown asked if the future agenda item would be giving the Executive Director subpoena power for all situations and not for individual cases.

DAG Detmer responded that the Board can't create a rule of general applicability, as such could only be done through legislation or statute.

Board Member Gronauer stated that he would be hesitant to broad brush situations and give away the authority in situations where he wouldn't be privy to knowledge of the details of each case. He said that he didn't have a concern of the current executive director, however he didn't know who the future directors would be and so didn't want to give that power away.

Chair Nixon asked DAG Detmer if this could be added as a future agenda item.

DAG Detmer affirmed that they could do so without requiring a vote.

The Board agreed to add this discussion item to the next meeting's agenda.

#### **Agenda Item 5. Board Comment and future agenda items**

Chair Nixon asked if there were any other items to be placed on a future meeting agenda and the board members had none.

#### **Agenda Item 6. Public Comment**

Chair Nixon asked if there was any public comment and there was none.

Chair Nixon made the motion to adjourn at 1:11 pm and Board Member Gronauer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.