

# City of Memphis Civilian Law Enforcement Review Board Minutes for January 14, 2021

### Call to Order:

The meeting of the Civilian Law Enforcement Review Board was called to order at approximately 4:05p.m. on January 14, 2021 at 125 North main Street, Memphis City Council Conference Room, Fifth Floor, Memphis, TN by Rev. James Kirkwood with those present as noted.

### **Board Members Present:**

Dr. David L. Acey Rev. James Kirkwood Mr. Sandeep Pednekar Atty Nicholas Bragorgos Atty Shawn Lynch Dr. Jeff Warren Dr. June Chinn-Jointer Mr. Stevie Moore Rev. Willie Ward, Jr.

Atty Asia Diggs-Meador Dr. Albert Morris

### **Board Members Absent:**

Chief Michael Lonesome-Entyre

Ms. Hazel Moore

## **Approval of Minutes:**

A motion to accept minutes of the previous meeting held on November 12, 2020, was offered by Mr. Nicholas Bragorgos and seconded by Dr. June Chinn-Jointer. Upon acceptance of the motion, a vote was held with all present in favor.

# Welcome and Introduction of New Board Members:

Chairman Rev. James Kirkwood began the board meeting by welcoming the new Council Liaison, Dr. Jeff Warren. Dr, Warren introduced himself to the board members and gave the board insight as to how the City Council will work with CLERB in the future.

### Review of ISB Case3 I 2018-051 Adam Owens

Mr. Adam Owens was sworn in by Chairman Kirkwood and was given the opportunity to give the board members his account of the events that happened on the day in question. Mr. Owens gave the board a detailed description of the events in question. After his testimony, the Chairman gave the board members an opportunity to ask Mr. Owens questions. After a brief question and answer period between Mr. Owens and the board members, the board, along with Mr. Owens reviewed the body camera footage taken that day by the arresting officer. Once the body camera footage was reviewed, the board members were given another chance to ask Mr. Owens questions related to the footage shown. Mr. Owens answered all questions posed to him. Chairman Kirkwood closed all discussion and opened the floor for a vote. Board Members were given the options to vote "sustained" or "not sustained" for this particular case.

Roll was called and each board member cast their votes accordingly. The board voted that the case brought by Mr. Owens was NOT SUSTAINED. See vote breakdown below:

### **NOT SUSTAINED**

Dr. David L. Acey Atty Asia Diggs-Meador Mr. Stevie Moore Rev. Willie Ward, Jr.

Atty Nicholas Bragorgos Rev. James Kirkwood Mr. Sandeep Pednekar

Dr. June Chinn-Jointer Atty Shawn Lynch Dr. Jeff Warren

#### **SUSTAINED**

Dr. Albert Morris

Chairman Kirkwood informed Mr. Owens of the vote by the board. Mr. Owens acknowledged that he heard and understood the vote of NOT SUSTAINED by the board. Mr. Owens was thanked by the board chairman an the meeting was adjourned.

#### Adjournment

Chairman Kirkwood called for a motion to adjourn, which was offered by Atty Asia Diggs-Meador and seconded by Dr. Jeff Warren with all board members voting in favor to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m.