

**METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO  
MINUTES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2021**

Board Members Present: Mr. John S. Kendall, Chairman  
Ms. Mazie A. Harris, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Donald J. Storino, Secretary

Others Present: Mr. Ted Kosowski, Assistant Director of Human Resources  
Mr. Brian Deitz, Human Resources Manager  
Mr. James Murray, Head Assistant Attorney  
Mr. Joseph Cook, Principal Attorney  
Ms. Elizabeth Fragale, Principal Attorney  
Mr. Seth Rosenberg, Senior Attorney  
Ms. Rhonda Thomas, Appellant  
Mr. Jeffrey Mitchell, Appellant  
Mr. Robert Quezada, Appellant  
Ms. Chentile Jackson, Appellant  
Mr. Robert Biel, Appellant  
Ms. Audrey Richardson, Respondent  
Mr. Daniel Kelley, Attorney  
Mr. Eric White, Police Sergeant  
Ms. Maureen MacPherson, Police Officer  
Ms. Nina Brody, Clerk of the Civil Service Board

The meeting was convened at approximately 10:00 AM with Chairman John S. Kendall presiding.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 17, 2021 were approved.

There was no public comment.

***Findings and Decisions***

Rhonda Thomas                      Continued to May 19, 2021.

***The preliminary call of hearings revealed:***

Farhan Qureshi                      Continued to June 16, 2021 for status.

Jeffrey Mitchell                      Continued to May 19, 2021 for status.

Kenneth Akins Jr.                      Mr. Akins and Ms. Spearman, his counsel, were not in attendance.  
Passed to the end of the call.

Robert Quezada                      Passed to the end of the call.

Rhonda Thomas                      Written closing arguments due in two weeks.

Darius Flores Feliciano              Mr. Feliciano was not in attendance. Held until the next meeting.

Chentile Jackson Continued to May 19, 2021 for status.

Robert Biel Passed to the end of the call.

Audrey Richardson Continued to May 19, 2021 for status.

Sergio Senese Called and Passed.

Audrey Richardson Recalled. Discussed Ms. Richardson’s attorney providing documents to counsel for the District.

Sergio Senese Recalled. Continued to May 19, 2021 for status.

The Attendance and Performance Review for Lance Beier reported that Mr. Beier has not been at work due to medical leave. Continued to May 19, 2021.

The Attendance and Performance Review for Todd Worth reported that Mr. Worth was in compliance.

Mr. Kosowski reported that since the last meeting of the Board, there had been thirty-three (33) requests for leaves of absence, which the Board ratified.

Mr. Kosowski reported that since the last meeting of the Board, there were sixteen (16) expired eligible lists.

Mr. Kosowski reported that since the last meeting of the Board, there were five (5) terminations of probation.


Kenneth Akins, Jr. Mr. Akins and Ms. Spearman, his counsel, were not in attendance. The hearing was rescheduled to June 16, 2021 at 10:15 a.m. Motions will be due in ten days.

Robert Quezada Passed for Mr. Quezada to contact his attorney to determine availability.


Robert Biel Continued to June 16, 2021 for status.

Robert Quezada Recalled. Set for hearing on September 15, 2021 at 10:15 a.m.

The Board adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:32 AM

  
John S. Kendall  
Chairman

  
Mazie A. Harris  
Vice Chairman

  
Donald J. Storino  
Secretary

Dated: April 21, 2021