

COMMUNITY POLICE REVIEW BOARD (CPRB)

Official Minutes, Regular Meeting, Thursday, March 19, 2026 | 6:00 PM

Council Chambers | City Hall, 215 S. Doctor M.L.K. Jr Blvd, South Bend, IN 46601

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Bianca Tirado
City Clerk, South Bend, IN

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Cheryl Ashe, Acting Chair, following confirmation of a quorum.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present (Voting):

- Cheryl Ashe
- Sharon Banicki
- Luella Webster
- Roxann Hughes
- Dé Bryant

Members Present (Non-Voting):

- George Jones

Staff/Officials Present:

- Pastor Charles L. King III, Director – Community Police Review Office
- Attorney Robert Masters – CPRB Legal Counsel
- Corporation Counsel Sandra Kennedy – City of South Bend
- Veronica Pitt-Payne – Office of the City Clerk

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (January 15, 2026)

Member Banicki noted that her last name was misspelled.

Motion by Member Webster to approve the minutes with corrections.

Second: Member Hughes

Result: Motion passed by voice vote.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (March 19, 2026)

Motion by Member Bryant to approve the agenda.

Second: Member Hughes

Result: Motion passed by voice vote.

V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Attorney Masters advised that the present members could either proceed with nominations or table the election until a future meeting.

Motion by Member Banicki to table the election.
Second: Member Hughes

Roll Call Vote:

YES, Table	NO, Do not table
Ashe	
Banicki	
Webster	
Hughes	
Bryant	

Result: Motion Passed (5-0).

VI. CASE DISPOSITION

Case No. CPRB2025-019

Pastor King read the case summary and stated that the officer was Exonerated by South Bend Police Department (SBPD) Internal Affairs.

Board Members discussed what they saw on the body-worn camera footage. Points of discussion included deescalation training and the issuance of verbal warnings.

Roll Call Vote:

Agree	Disagree
Ashe	
Banicki	
Webster	
Hughes	
Bryant	

Result: Agree With the Findings (5-0).

Case No. CPRB2025-009

Pastor King read the case summary and stated that the officer was Exonerated by SBPD Internal Affairs.

Board Members discussed what they saw on the body-worn camera footage. Points of discussion included taser policy, deescalation training, and the definition of active resistance.

Roll Call Vote:

Agree	Disagree
Banicki	Ashe Webster Hughes Bryant

Result: No Consensus (1-4); Administratively Closed.

VII. POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

Member Ashe recommended a training for members of the public regarding what to do when they are stopped by the police. She said the training should be ready by June 2026.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Julian Martinez, 626 Donmoyer Avenue, South Bend, IN 46614, read a statement regarding an ongoing complaint.

Attorney Masters advised Mr. Martinez that his allotted three (3) minutes for public comment had expired.

Motion by Member Webster to suspend the three (3)-minute rule and allow Mr. Martinez to finish his comments.

Second: Member Hughes

Result: Motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Martinez finished his statement.

Pastor King noted that he has received Mr. Martinez's complaint, and they have a meeting scheduled on Monday.

IX. NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Pastor King announced that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 21, 2026.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Member Ashe to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Member Banicki

Result: Motion passed by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Submitted by

Ken De Lulla Webster

Shawn Banicki *Cheryl A. Ashe*

George S. Jones