

**MINUTES**  
**SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCE BOARD**  
**Wednesday, June 11, 2014**  
**City Hall, Room 310**  
**2:30 p.m.**

**MEMBERS:** Dean Gerondale, Ben Heiman, Renee Keehan, Kathy De Cremer, Heidi Michel

The meeting was called to order by Dean Gerondale.

**1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Heidi Michel indicated that a name discrepancy in section 1(b) needs to be corrected. Motion made by Renee Keehan to approve the May 14, 2014 Minutes, with the name corrections, seconded by Kathy De Cremer. All in favor. Motion carried.

**2. APPEALS**

- (a) Appeal of Armondo Dillard requesting to move to 410 S. Webster Avenue, Apt. D

Armondo appeared by phone from the Fox Lake Correctional Institution. Dean Gerondale advised Armondo of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Armondo stated he is scheduled to be released on August 5, 2014. The offense occurred in 2003. He met the victim at the mall in Green Bay. She told him she was 18 years of age, which he later found out was not the truth. They saw each other for approximately two weeks and did have sexual intercourse. She then told him she was age 16 and Armondo stated he could no longer be with her. This upset the victim.

A couple days later, the victim's sister called Armondo's cell phone and the police were tapped into it. The sister asked Armondo if he knew the victim was only 16. Armondo said the victim lied to him about her age. The police came and charged Armondo with second degree sexual assault of a child. Armondo had a bench trial and was found guilty. However, the victim admitted on the stand that she lied about her age. She said the relationship was consensual. Armondo was sentenced to a year in the county jail with no probation.

Dean pointed out that when Armondo appeared before the Board in 2008, he said the victim was 15 (not 16). At this meeting, Lt. Knoebel stated that the report indicated the victim said she was forced and she tried to push Armondo off of her but couldn't. She told him to stop but he didn't.

Armondo is currently incarcerated for possession with intent to deliver cocaine and possession of THC. He's been incarcerated for 18 months.

Armondo's appeal form indicates he took sex offender, anger, alcohol and drug treatment. However, no documentation was provided. Armondo stated he does not have it. He said he was in the Nexus House halfway program in Oshkosh in 2012 and completed these programs.

Renee Keehan noted that when he appeared before them in 2008, he said he began sex offender treatment on May 19, 2008. She asked if he finished that program. Armondo said he did not because he got revoked.

When he is released, Armondo hopes he can stay with his mother for 4 to 6 months in order to establish himself and get a job and an apartment. He would like to go to school for welding.

Heidi Michel asked Armondo if he will be on supervision once he is released. Armondo stated he will be on supervision for 31 days.

Argirtha Dillard, 410 S. Webster Avenue, Apt. D (Armondo's mother), appeared on Armondo's behalf. She stated she and her ex-fiancé were at Armondo's bench trial and the victim said it was a consensual relationship and she was 16 years of age. The reason she called the police was because Armondo didn't want anything more to do with her. She does not feel her son is a rapist or a child pedophile.

Argirtha moved to Green Bay in 2010. She stated she has a degree in alcohol, drug and anger counseling in Chicago. She told Armondo she felt the victim was a violent person, but he couldn't see that. She feels the victim manipulated Armondo.

Armondo served two years and then went to the Nexus House. Argirtha made sure he completed all the necessary classes. He got a job at American Foods. Argirtha feels Armondo is a good person with a good heart. He's a workaholic. She can lead him by example.

Argirtha provided the board with information regarding Armondo's revocation. It states: "On or since 10-25-12, Armondo had unapproved contact with minors." Armondo stated he lived with a girl who had 7 children because the "no contact with minors" provision had been taken off his probation. Armondo was homeless and had nowhere to go. Armondo admits he took marijuana and Adderall.

Kathy De Cremer indicates his paperwork states he went through the AODA program and completed it in March 2008 but was then revoked on an alcohol hold in 2011.

Heidi Michel stated that to her knowledge, the Nexus House is an AODA treatment facility. She is not aware that they do sex offender treatment. She asked Armondo what type of treatment he received there. Armondo stated he took anger management

and filled out a lot of paperwork. She asked if he is aware of the triggers. Armondo stated he is aware of the red flags.

Renee Keehan asked why he did not submit treatment documentation. Armondo stated his papers are lost. His ex-girlfriend threw them out. Ben Heiman asked if he attempted to get any of the documentation. Armondo stated he got locked up and was unable to get them from the ex-girlfriend. He can't get paperwork from Nexus House because the facility is now closed. Argirtha, Armondo's mother, stated she tried to get the paperwork. She called Nexus House and was told it closed down.

Heidi Michael asked Armondo if he went to the Nexus House as part of a revocation or an alternative to revocation. Armondo stated it was not an alternative to revocation. He was sent to complete the program after he was released from prison. Heidi then stated his probation officer should have his treatment documentation.

Argirtha stated she met with his probation agent, Ms. McDermott, and she does have his paperwork. Heidi Michael stated one document says "discussed completion of AODA classes," but it does not mention any sex offender classes. Argirtha stated he took domestic violence, sex offender and AODA classes. He was there for three months. Armondo now has a new parole officer, Andrew Lafrombois.

A motion to DENY the appeal of Armondo Dillard was made by Renee Keehan, seconded by Kathy De Cremer.

Discussion: Renee feels there is a lot of conflicting information. Dean Gerondale agrees there is contradiction from what he said the last time he came before the Board in 2008 and what he is saying today. Armondo admits he stayed at a place where there were underage individuals and thus violated the rules. Because there is no treatment documentation, it cannot be considered. In Heidi Michel's opinion, three months is a very short time in which to get all the treatment he said he's taken.

All in favor. Motion carried.

- (b) Appeal of Kevin Van Pay requesting to move to 1120 Elizabeth St., 5-2

Kevin appeared by phone from the Oshkosh Correctional Institution. Dean Gerondale advised Kevin of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Kevin stated he was drinking and using drugs throughout the day. Later in the evening or early the next morning, from what he remembers, he attempted to have sexual intercourse with the 14 year old victim. His friend's mother called the police.

Kevin was given 3 years in prison and 4 years extended supervision. The reason he served 6 years and 11 months is because when he was out, he was on probation for a

total of 3 burglary counts and 2 forgery counts which he committed in 2002. He ended up getting revoked. Between his revocation from Brown County and Oconto County, he had a total of 5-1/2 years of incarceration and 6 years of extended supervision. When he received his 3 years in prison and 4 years extended supervision for the sexual assault, it was a consecutive sentence to the others. He will be released July 22, 2014.

Kevin has not had any sexual offender treatment. He is currently enrolled in anger, alcohol and drug treatment. He will be completing these next week. It was a 16 week program.

Kevin has been accepted into the welding program at NWTTC. He will start full time classes a week after Labor Day. He also plans on looking for a job.

Kevin met the victim a couple times previously, so he knew she was probably underage. He does not know why he did what he did. He wasn't thinking clearly at the time. He only remembers some parts of the evening.

Heidi Michel asked Kevin if he has concerns that if he started using drugs and alcohol again, he could be in the same type of situation since he has not had any sex offender treatment. Kevin stated "no." He's taken a lot of good steps, including being in AA and also working with his social worker and counselor. He plans on continuing with his recovery treatment when he is released.

Kevin has been in custody since August 2007. The last time he used illegal drugs or alcohol was in 2007, the day he was arrested. He intends on enrolling in sex offender treatment. This is court ordered. He was interviewed for the program while in prison, but due to his lapse in memory, they did not accept him into it.

Darrell Van Pay, Kevin's father, 1120 Elizabeth Street, is present to speak on Kevin's behalf. Darrell hopes Kevin keeps his promise when he gets out and does the best he can. He can live with Darrell, but Kevin will have to listen to him. Darrell's 26 year old daughter will also be living there. He is comfortable with Kevin living with them, but hopes he does not start drinking again.

Kevin is aware the mobile home park said he could only stay there 3 to 6 months, with no drinking allowed.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Kevin Van Pay, address specific, for a period of 7 months (until 1-14-15) was made by Dean Gerondale, seconded by Heidi Michel. Four in favor, one opposed (Kathy De Cremer). Motion carried.

- (c) Appeal of Brian Steffel requesting to move to 706 Mather Street, Apt. 4

Brian appeared in person. Dean Gerondale advised Brian of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Brian appeared before the Board in March and was approved for 90 days. He is here today to submit employment documentation. He stated things are going well. He's met some of his neighbors and they are pretty nice. His parole officer visits once a month and has had no problems with him living there. He's still working and going to group.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Brian Steffel, address specific, was made by Renee Keehan, seconded by Kathy De Cremer. All in favor. Motion carried.

(d) Appeal of Scott Theno requesting to move to 621 Schwartz Street

Scott appeared in person. Dean Gerondale advised Scott of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Scott appeared before the Board in April and was approved for 60 days. He is here today to provide treatment documentation. Scott provided a letter from Jim Drake. He was a difficult man to get in to see, but Scott now has weekly meetings with him, one on one. Scott feels fortunate to have gotten in as Mr. Drake is very busy.

So far, they've discussed the nature of Scott's case so Mr. Drake will have a working knowledge of what happened. Mr. Drake pointed out there may be other issues they will have to deal with. It will be a long and on-going process. Scott is a recovering alcoholic and they will address this issue, also.

Scott got released on May 9, 2014. He didn't have any insurance or identification upon release. Because he had 5 drunk driving convictions, it was a challenge to get his license. He's been approved for Badger Care. Scott has a job at Kamp's Masonry and provided the Board with a letter from his employer.

Dean Gerondale asked how Scott is adjusting to life at his current location. Scott said he's adjusting well living with his father. His father is an approved chaperone for his children, so they can come for a visit without the burden of traveling or going to another location. Scott feels he's just gotten his feet on the ground within the last week or so and is ready to move forward.

Dean Gerondale said it sounds like a pretty good start for the first 30 days. He still has a lot of the same concerns he had previously, from a long term standpoint, to see how it's going to continue to go. Heidi Michel feels he's off to a good start.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Scott Theno, address specific, was made by Kathy De Cremer, seconded by Renee Keehan.

Four in favor, one opposed (Dean Gerondale). Dean stated he voted “no” because he would have liked to see Scott again one more time to see how it’s going.

Motion carried.

### **3. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting date of July 9, 2014 was confirmed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Renee Keehan, seconded by Kathy De Cremer. All in favor. Motion carried.