

MINUTES
UTAH ALARM SYSTEM SECURITY
LICENSING BOARD
July 02, 2026
Hybrid Meeting with anchor location in Room 474

CONVENED: 9:02 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 10:17 a.m.

Bureau Manager:
Board Secretary:

Tracy Taylor
Katie Corak
Gabi Lacanienta

Board Members Present:

K. Adam Christian Jr, Chairperson
Fred Johnson
James Jackson Jr.
Paul Duff Astin

Guests:

Rep. Melissa Ballard
Russ Walker, Rainey Center
Scott Elder, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
Samantha Merrill, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
Blake Young, DCP Assistant Director
Chantel Tonks, DCP Investigator
Deb Coppola
Robert Tompkins
Bhagyesh Nayi
Brandon Moliere
Wesley Howe
Corban Preston

DOPL Staff Present:

Mark Steinagel, Deputy Commissioner/Division Director
Sicily Hill, Compliance Specialist
Adam Watson, Assistant Division Director

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION
ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the May 07, 2026 minutes. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Compliance Update:

Ms. Hill provided the Board with a compliance update. Item noted with no action taken.

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS:

Data Privacy:

Utah Rep. Melissa Ballard addressed the Board regarding data privacy and alarm companies. Rep. Ballard is planning on sponsoring legislation in 2027 that would address concerns related to foreign adversaries accessing stored or shared video capture device data collected in Utah, prohibiting government entities from purchasing or using video capture devices whose software is developed by a foreign adversary, and requiring all government video capture device data be stored and processed in the United States. To adequately draft this legislation, Rep. Ballard along with Mr. Scott Elder and Ms. Samantha Merrill from the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel asked the Board for input on several points related to adopting potential restrictions on sharing data from video capture devices, and if the Board saw any unintended consequences in their approach to this issue. The Board asked for additional time to review the information from Rep. Ballard and report back before the September board meeting.

APPOINTMENTS:

Caleb Thuernagle

History Review:

Mr. Thuernagle did not attend his appointment with the Board. Mr. Johnson made a motion to deny Mr. Thuernagle's application for licensure. Mr. Astin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Tompkins

History Review:

Mr. Tompkins attended his appointment with the Board. Ms. Corak reviewed Mr. Tomkins history with the Board and Mr. Tompkins answered questions from the Board. Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve Mr. Tompkins application for licensure. Mr. Christian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Bhagyesh Nayi

History Review:

Mr. Nayi attended his appointment with the Board. Ms. Corak reviewed Mr. Nayi's history with the Board and Mr. Nayi answered questions from the Board. After some discussion, Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Mr. Nayi's application for licensure. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion unanimously.

Brandon Moliere

History Review:

Mr. Moliere attended his appointment with the Board. Ms. Corak reviewed Mr. Moliere's history with the Board and Mr. Moliere answered questions from the Board. After some discussion, Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Mr. Moliere's application for licensure. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Wesley Howe
History Review:

Mr. Howe attended his appointment with the Board. Ms. Corak reviewed Mr. Howe's history with the Board and Mr. Howe answered questions from the Board. After some discussion, Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Mr. Howe's application for licensure. Mr. Christian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Corban Preston
History Review:

Mr. Preston attended his appointment with the Board. Ms. Corak reviewed Mr. Preston's history with the Board and Mr. Preston answered questions from the Board. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Mr. Preston's application for licensure. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN:

Adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

Date: 09/03/2026

X Adam Christian
Alarm System Security Licensing Board Chairperson

Date: 09/03/2026

X Juan Jose
Bureau Manager, Division of
Professional Licensing