

### THE GUAM BOARD OF BARBERING & COSMETOLOGY

Regular Board Meeting Monday, August 5, 2019 at 9:00 AM

in the Health Professional Licensing Office Board Conference Room, Terlaje Professional Bldg., 194 Hernan Cortez Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Suite 209, Hagātña, Guam.

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# THE GUAM BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS

### Regular Board Meeting Thursday, August 8, 2019 at 3:00 PM

in the Health Professional Licensing Office Board Conference Room, Terlaje Professional Bldg., 194 Hernan Cortez Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Suite 209, Hagåtña, Guam.

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Kyle Luis Dela Cruz

# Man accused of attacking neighbor with wooden box

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A Tamuning man was arrested after he allegedly assaulted his neighbor using a wooden box.

Kyle Luis Dela Cruz, 23, was charged with

aggravated assault as a third-degree felony.

According to court documents, police responded to a report of an assault where they found the victim bleeding from the head.

The victim also managed to detain the suspect until police arrived to make the arrest, documents state.

The victim told police he went outside to find the suspect highly intoxicated and parked next to a car that had its alarm activated. He told the suspect to go home and sleep, but that's when the suspect began to argue with the victim, documents state.

The victim then returned to his apartment.

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Soon after, the suspect knocked on the victim's door and allegedly hit the victim in the head with a wooden box, documents state

Police noted the suspect had slurred speech and belligerent behavior and smelled of alcohol, documents state.

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GPD has 275 police officers. He said GPD should have at least 400 officers but a full complement would be closer to 520 officers.

Bill 184 would increase GPD's budget by about \$650,000.

In contrast, Adelup's proposal increases GPD's budget by about \$3.6 million with a specific goal of increasing GPD's force.

In Bill 184, the island's public safety agencies, including the Department of Corrections, Guam Fire Department, Department of Youth Affairs, and GPD have a reduced overall budget of \$2 million compared with the current fiscal year. DOC takes the bulk of the reductions while GPD sees a slight increase.

For those same agencies, Adelup's proposal increases the overall funding by \$2.56 million. GPD receives the bulk of the increase.



SEARCHING FOR OFFICERS: Dickson Utha, left, waits to submit an application for the Guam Police Department during a public safety job fair Saturday at the Outrigger Guam Beach Resort in Tumon. The police chief wants to grow the police force to at least 400 officers over the next few years. See more photos of the job fair on Page 7. Dontana Keraskes/The Guam Daily Post

The following is a comparison of the budgets for the public safety agen-

cies between the current year, and the Legislature's proposal and Adelup's proposal.

#### GPD

- Fiscal 2019 (current year): \$34.13M
- Fiscal 2020 (Legislature proposal): \$34.78M
- Fiscal 2020 (Adelup proposal): \$37.82M

#### DOC

- Fiscal 2019 (current year): \$26.25M
- Fiscal 2020 (Legislature proposal): \$23.52M
- Fiscal 2020 (Adelup proposal): \$24.40M

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- Fiscal 2019 (current year): \$5.43M
- Fiscal 2020 (Legislature proposal): \$5.43M
- Fiscal 2020 (Adelup proposal): \$5.63M

#### **GFD**

- Fiscal 2019 (current year): \$32,23M
- Fiscal 2020 (Legislature proposal): \$32.19M
- Fiscal 2020 (Adelup proposal): \$32.75M

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Matanane said residents told him they are afraid to harm a dog because of current animal cruelty laws.

"It's OK to shoot a dog if your life is threatened because it's the law," Matanane said.

With an estimated 40,000 to 60,000 dogs on island, stray dogs traveling in packs is an ongoing issue in almost every village.

"I'm very concerned about that," Matanane said. A threat to the community exists even without the presence of rabies, he said. He estimated that about once a month a stray dog bites someone in his village, which has a population of about 20,000 people.

"Children are susceptible to attacks that are very severe," said Dr. Tom Poole, territorial veterinarian at the Guam Department of Agriculture.

Poole said the most likely way rabies could come to the island is by a fishing boat.

"Quite often these boats are from the

Philippines where there is a tremendous amount of rabies in the wild dog population there," he said.

Because rabies has such a potentially long incubation period, Poole said, an animal can be infected for weeks without showing any signs of the disease.

"That's why it's so important we continue to vaccinate for rabies," he said.

It has been proven that a community cannot just remove stray dogs and solve the core issue, he said. He added that about 1,000 dogs are hauled off the streets every year here.

That is why Poole and Matanane have been working on legislation for the last three years that would require mandatory neutering of female dogs.

Alison Hadley, executive director of Guam Animals In Need, said they support such a bill.

"In correlation with the one the mayor is working on, we would like to push some bills for spay and neutering, catch-and-release programs," she

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trained before the start of the school

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year. What's hard about that is we have a high turnover because they're part time," Fernandez said.

"These are federally funded positions, and in order to ensure the resources are stretched to be able to meet the number of aides required by our special education students, these continue to be part-time positions."

GDOE was tracking 30 to 40 vacancies earlier this summer that the department was attempting to fill, out of 300 one-to-one aides altogether.

"Some of them will continue from last year to this year, and others are vacancies we need to fill," Fernandez added.

Turnover rates vary depending on the time of the year. Because one-toone aides are part time, they typically compete and leave for full-time posisector, or even within GDOE, Fernandez said.

Converting one-to-one aide positions to full time should reduce the turnover rate, he added.

"I think the desire of the (Guam Education Board) and myself is to try and convert those into full-time positions. That all comes down to resources," Fernandez said.

"In this particular environment where we're cutting resources, we've been unable to make that shift. That's going to require new investment in personnel," he added.

The quality of one-to-one aides is not necessarily tied to their part-time status, but quality candidates are likely seeking full-time positions, Fernandez said. GDOE does train its employees, but with a high

those individuals.

A one-to-one aide may be required by a student's individualized education program to fulfill a set of requirements to assist students with disabilities

"Every time there's a turnover, we have to make sure there's an adjustment to ensure an aide is available. Sometimes you'll see aides who have one or two students," Fernandez said. "We do have full-time school aides whose primary jobs are to supervise students in the general population. ... They will end up providing coverage in the interim while we try to hire."

Another area of need is specialized services, such as speech therapy. In the past, GDOE has had to contract out for these services and has looked into online services, Fernandez said. There