STATE OF DELAWARE
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL, WORKERS, LOCAL 126, AFL-CIO, Charging Party, ULP 17-01-1094

v.
ORDER OF DISMISSAL

CITY OF MILFORD, DELAWARE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT AND KEITH KNOTTS, Respondents

Appearances
Charles T. Joyce, Esq., Spear Wilderman, P.C, and Ronald Stoner, Esq., for IBEW Local 126
William W. Bowser, Esq., Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, for the Respondents

1. International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO, (“IBEW”) is an employee organization within the meaning of §1302(i) of the Public Employment Relations Act, 19 Del.C. Chapter 13 (“PERA”). By and through its affiliated Local 126, the IBEW is the exclusive bargaining representative of a bargaining unit of employees of the City of Milford Electric Department, within the meaning of 19 Del.C. §1302(j).

2. The City of Milford, Delaware (City) is a public employer within the meaning of 19 Del.C. §1302(p). Keith Knotts is employed in a supervisory position in the City’s Electric Department.

4. On or about January 17, 2017, IBEW Local 126 filed an unfair labor practice
charge with the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) alleging the City had engaged in conduct which violated 19 Del.C. §1307 (a)(1) and (a)(3).

5. On or about January 27, 2017, the City filed its Answer and New Matter. IBEW Local 126 responded to the City’s New Matter on February 6, 2017.

6. On or about February 28, 2017, PERB requested to meet with the parties in an informal conference to discuss the procedural issues raised in the pleadings. On or about March 3, 2017, the parties mutually requested the further processing of the Charge be held in abeyance.

7. Thereafter, the parties engaged in negotiations for initial collective bargaining agreement. They successfully concluded their negotiations and resolved all outstanding issues related to this Charge.

8. By email dated July 6, 2017, IBEW Local 126 requested to withdraw this unfair labor practice charge.

WHEREFORE, this unfair labor practice charge is hereby dismissed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATE: July 28, 2017

DEBORAH L. MURRAY-SHEPPARD
Executive Director
Del. Public Employment Relations Bd.