

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 22, 2020

METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY BUILDING
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The Regular Meeting of the Metro Police Authority of Genesee County was called to order by the Board Chair, Kay Doerr, on January 22, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Kay Doerr welcomed everyone and asked Rae Lynn Hicks to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kay Doerr requested that Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call of members present.

Present: Kay Doerr, David Krueger, Cory Bostwick, Dennis Cramer, and Rae Lynn Hicks.
Tonya Ketzler, and Vane King were absent.

Also Present: Chief Matt Bade, Lt. Joel Grahn, Shawna Farrell (CPA), and Mundy Township Manager, Chad Young.

MINUTES

Kay Doerr presented the minutes for approval. Cory Bostwick made a motion to approve the minutes; David Krueger supported the motion. Kay Doerr asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

AGENDA

Kay Doerr presented the agenda. David Krueger made a motion to approve the agenda as printed; Dennis Cramer supported the motion. Kay Doerr asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

I. Reports and Communications to the Authority

Kay Doerr reported that on the Neighbors App a neighbor posted that Metro Police Authority arrived in 6 minutes and caught the guy, and it was good to hear the fast and successful response.

Chief Bade reported that we changed insurance agents. Chief Bade introduced Jason Orton from David Chapman Insurance who did a short introduction to the David Chapman Agency.

Kay Doerr expressed her appreciation to the Chief for seeking out the cost savings.

II. Business Items:

- A. Departmental Activity.** Chief Bade spoke briefly about the murder in Shiawassee and acknowledged that it was his staff that broke the case that ultimately turned out to be a Clayton Township complaint.

Chief Bade reported that they were in the process of hiring more officers and have received several applications with the testing period to be done by February 10, 2020.

Lt. Grahn spoke about Street Smart which is software available for the office/cars, which Flint currently is using through a grant. Lt. Grahn also reported that the Prosecutor's office has a 2 year grant for the program. Lt. Grahn said the software was a very proactive approach to law enforcement and allows information from officers to be uploaded from the record management system. Lt. Grahn said it also had mapping, and a hot sheet for auto theft. Lt. Grahn added that the information is in real-time.

Lt. Grahn reported that there were a number of firearms taking up space in the evidence room, and that they were inventoried. Lt. Grahn said that some had gone to MSP for destruction, and the rest had gone to William's and Keisler's who gave a credit amount of \$14,000 for the purchase of item they carry.

Lt. Grahn reported that the Ring has been set up in Swartz Creek, and the Authority is in the process of joining Ring Neighbors for Law Enforcement.

Lt. Grahn reported that he would be attending flight school to become certified to fly a drone. Lt. Grahn added that once there was a drone certification, a grant could be started.

Chief Bade reported that the new Tahoe had been delivered and was in the parking lot.

- B. Medical Insurance.** Chief Bade reported that the employee medical insurance was about to change somewhat due to changes by the IRS. Shawna Farrell reported that the Authority was looking at a significant increase.
- C. Training Room Fees.** Chief Bade reported that as a result of the conversation with Mundy Township Manager, Chad Young, the rental fee would be waived for any public agency using the training room.
- D. Financials.** Shawna Farrell reviewed the Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual for January through December 2019. Shawna Farrell said that the Authority was still receiving payments, so the numbers would change slightly. Kay Doerr requested a motion to accept the financials. David Krueger made a motion to accept the financials; Rae Lynn Hicks seconded the motion. Chief Bade noted that Shawna Farrell had reported an increase for the liability insurance which also included a cyber security policy. Kay Doerr asked for a vote, and the motion carried. Janette MacAinsh reminded the Chair that a roll call vote was required that should include the transaction list. David Krueger amended his motion to include the transaction list; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. Kay Doerr asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

David Krueger – Yes
Cory Bostwick – Yes
Dennis Cramer – Yes

Tonya Ketzler – Absent
Ray Lynn Hicks – Yes
Kay Doerr – Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

E. FANG/GAIN Reports. Dennis Cramer reviewed the FANG December activity report.

F. Fundraising. Cory Bostwick requested some insight into what events were needing fundraising activity besides the MVP Dinner. Kay Doerr said that there had been some equipment that had been purchased for the K9 vehicles with donations. Joel Grahn also said the Meijer donated \$300 to the MVP program, and reminded the Board that the dinner this year was scheduled for February 27, 2020, 6:00p.m. at the Redwood Lodge. Cory Bostwick said they just need to know what to tell people when they are asking for the donations, and asked for some input. Chief Bade said that there have been about 7 or 8 people interested in joining the MVP program, and that an abbreviated academy is in the works in the next month or two that will be open to existing members as well. Cory Bostwick said the fundraising will be put on the back burner until the need is identified.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chad Young thanked the Authority for the great police work going. Chad Young said that the majority of feedback he gets from the community is overwhelmingly positive. Chad Young also praised the Authority leadership in the hotel initiative which is working. Chad Young said that he has had conversations outside of Mundy Township who have heard about the hotel liaison program, and are interested in trying to fit it into their own general managers association so the hotels have better communication.

BOARD COMMENT

Cory Bostwick said that Mundy Township now has Facebook. Cory Bostwick said the solicitation policy had been added. Cory Bostwick said that during the holidays there were 2 people in her subdivision selling things, and when they approached her door, she told them about the policy. Chief Bade said that he and Chad Young are revamping the process, but id badges would be issued through the police department.

Dennis Cramer reminded everyone of the 2020 Census coming up, and its importance. Dennis Cramer wished good luck to Lt. Grahn on the drone school.

Lt. Grahn said he liked it better when Mundy Township didn't allow anyone to solicit.

Chief Bade asked the Board to stay after the meeting for a demo of the new training room equipment.

David Krueger wished everyone a Happy New Year and hope everything goes well.

Rae Lynn Hicks asked if anything had been posted about Ring at Swartz Creek. Lt. Grahn said there were signs posted in the lobby, and it has been put on the website. Rae Lynn Hicks asked if someone would come to a City Council meeting and enter it into the City record.

Kay Doerr thanked everyone for all of the good police work. Kay Doerr also thanked Chief Bade for the good work done on the 5-year-old in Swartz Creek that was left in the bus garage. Kay Doerr added that for everyone concerned about privacy issues, she has a great novel to read, and available at the bookstore called, The Circle, which is about the concerns of having cameras everywhere.

Rae Lynn Hicks asked if the department has worked with the Michigan Task Force One located in Holly. Rae Lynn Hicks said she attended the LEPC for emergency management, and the Task Force has heavy duty equipment/vehicles available for search and rescue and any other event where they might be called out to. Rae Lynn Hicks highly recommended that that the Authority check out their equipment and services which are now funded through LARA.

ADJOURN

Dennis Cramer made a motion to adjourn; Cory Bostwick seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 11:34 a.m.