

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 23, 2019

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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 October 23, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Kay Doerr welcomed everyone and asked David Krueger to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Also Present: Chief Matt Bade, Lt. Joel Grahn, Shawna Farrell, Chad Young, and Adam Zettel.  
Mundy Township Supervisor Jose Oskey arrived at 10:20 a.m.

## **MINUTES**

Kay Doerr presented the minutes for approval. David Krueger made a motion to accept the minutes with one correction to the spelling of his name in the Minutes section; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion.

**MOTION CARRIED**, unanimously.

## **AGENDA**

Kay Doerr presented the Agenda for approval. Dennis Cramer made a motion to accept the Agenda; Cory Bostwick seconded the motion.

**MOTION CARRIED**, unanimously.

### **1. DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITY**

- a. Department Meeting.** Chief Bade provided a copy of the agenda from the employee department meeting. Chief Bade reported that Hope Not Handcuffs representatives were at the meeting to provide direction on how to utilize the program. Chief Bade reported that all personnel received a flash drive with department policies. Chief Bade also reported that Officer Sarah Combs provided officer safety instruction including use of tourniquets and blood clotting gauze which were issued to officers. Chief Bade also reported that Officers and Det. J Diem have identified an elevated number of calls at Mari-Dan, and have entered into a sworn agreement with the apartment management, and the Swartz Creek City Council and City Manager to allow the department to enforce the Uniform Traffic Code on the property. Chief Bade added that if this is successful, they'll apply it to Burkeshire because of the number of calls between the 2 properties. Kay Doerr added her appreciation for Metro Police participating in the Hope Not Handcuffs program.

- b. **Accident Reconstruction.** Lt. Grahn reported that Officer Blake Hiben has started attending accident reconstruction school, and will complete the course sometime in March, 2020.
- c. **Swartz Creek School Safety Plan.** Chief Bade reported working on a school safety plan that has already been implemented. Chief Bade added that they are addressing issues and identifying missing elements of the plan. Chief Bade said a lot of it is education about what it would take for a coordinated response to a major event at a school building. Chief Bade said they would rely heavily on MAGLOCLLEN for mapping of the school buildings, and get to 911 to send out to responding units. Chief Bade said the plan would include building access, identifying incident command posts, training, and facility awareness. Chief Bade reported that Sgt. Johnson took officers to the schools to do a walk-thru so that if response is needed, they would not be unfamiliar with the school layout.
- d. **Swartz Creek Office/DB Support.** Chief Bade reported that Hanna Lytle will be brought over to the main office from the Swartz Creek office. Lt. Grahn explained that the department would be installing a Ring doorbell at the Swartz Creek office with instructions. Lt. Grahn further explained that this would allow the office to be open and the ability for an officer to be dispatched to that office.
- e. **Hotel Liaison.** Chief Bade reported a meeting scheduled for next week with representatives from the local hotels. Chief Bade reported that Officers McFadden, Davies, and Badal would be the contacts for the hotels to address any problems, and open lines of communication.

2. **State Representative Meeting.** Kay Doerr reported that they had a State Representatives meeting which she thought went very well. Both Representatives Sneller and Cherry were supposed to be at the meeting, but they were unable to attend as planned. Chief Bade reported that Representative Cherry was very interested in the Metro Police Authority, and how things are being done. There was discussion by Board members and Township and City officials about pension and MERS costs being the biggest hurdle for other municipalities to join the Authority.

3. **Financials/Budget.** Kay Doerr turned the meeting over to Shawna Farrell. Shawna Farrell said she had included in the board packet a resolution adopting the 2020 Budget which needed to be made official with a Resolution. Shawna Farrell reviewed the 2020 Proposed Budget that was attached to the Resolution. Kay Doerr asked for a motion. Dennis Cramer made a motion to adopt the Resolution; David Krueger seconded the motion. Dennis Cramer asked about the community policing item and why it was higher. Shawna Farrell explained that a lot of donations are received for community policing and those donations are recorded, so the figure is not indicative of the Police Authority spending that much money. Kay Doerr asked if that motion was the resolution adopting the 2019 amended budget. Shawna Farrell said no it was the 2020 budget resolution. Kay Doerr clarified the motion was the Resolution Adopting the 2020 Budget. Motion Carried. Shawna Farrell stated that it has to be a roll call vote. Kay Doerr asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call:

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

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

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Shawna Farrell presented the next Resolution Adopting the 2019 Amended Budget #1 being Resolution Number 10-23-19-015. Shawna Farrell suggested going to the attachment and reviewed the original approved budget numbers and adjustments which resulted in a budget surplus. Kay Doerr asked for a motion to adopt the 2019 Amended Budget #1. David Krueger made the motion; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. Dennis Cramer asked about switching from the Ford to the Chevrolet products that was mentioned at the last meeting, and if that was reflected in the budget. Shawna Farrell responded that it was included. Kay Doerr asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote.

Cory Bostwick – Yes	Ray Lynn Hicks – Yes
Dennis Cramer – Yes	Kay Doerr – Yes
Tonya Ketzler – Absent	David Krueger – Yes

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Shawna Farrell presented the monthly financials through September, and said that the budget figures do not include the Amendment because it had not been approved yet, and would be corrected next month when the figures are updated. Kay Doerr asked for a motion to include the transaction list. Dennis Cramer made a motion to accept the financials; David Krueger seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.**

**4. Reports**

- a. **FANG/GAIN.** Kay Doerr turned the meeting over to Dennis Cramer who stated that the last meeting with FANG was their annual board meeting where seizures were reported to have increased and that the raid van was at the meeting for members to look at. Dennis Cramer added that there were upgrades to personal protection equipment.
- b. **Fundraising.** Kay Doerr turned the meeting over to Cory Bostwick who said she had talked to a retired MVP about a meeting next month, and was concerned about the future of the volunteer program. Lt. Grahn said he would check with Officer Pizzala but thought it may have been about another academy starting up. Chief Bade assured the Board that Metro wants to grow the program.

**5. Public Comment.**

Chad Young said that some staff had done a private tour of the facility across the road from Metro. Chad Young added that the facility wanted the property specifically because of the presence of Metro Police Authority. Chad Young also said they had a public open house scheduled for Friday from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Adam Zettel said the Jeepers Creekers event finishes on Saturday which is a family fun event with bounce houses, and trick-or-treat in Holland Square from 4:30 until it ends. Adam Zettel said the downtown is looking better than ever with trees planted and lights going.

Lania Rocha said there would be food trucks and smores. Adam Zettel added that Lania does a lot of leg work to make it all happen.

Adam Zettel said he thinks the program with the Mari-Dan is a great thing and prevents reactive crime response down the road, and added that he is thankful for the hotel and apartment managers being cooperative.

Joe Oskey said he came for the retirement party, and would just sit in and watch.

## **6. Board Member Comment**

Kay Doerr turned the meeting over for Board comment.

Cory Bostwick wanted to ask how hands-on management was in these programs, and thanked Lania for her work on the trunk or treat.

Vane King said the fact that he didn't get to vote is a very good thing. Vane King said that when he first got involved in this the talk was about leadership and things coming down from the top and he said he can see it, and the leadership is going from top to bottom and those on the bottom are coming back with suggestions, and he thinks things are going really good and is happy to see it.

Dennis Cramer said is looking forward to a lot of positive comments about Metro PD and success with Mari-Dan and will have more from GAIN next month.

Lt. Joel Grahn said he hopes everyone has fun on Saturday and reminded everybody that the drug take back was Saturday at the Metro main office as well as the Swartz Creek office. Lt. Grahn also said that they would be taking vape pens as long as the battery could be removed from it.

Chief Bade added that the new drug box from Rite-Aid has not been installed yet, but there will be a box at the Swartz Creek office on Saturday. Chief Bade also said that the new plan for Swartz Creek has not been put into action yet, and added that they will let everyone know when it happens. Chief Bade added that downtown Swartz Creek looks awesome.

David Krueger said that at the next Council meeting on Monday they would be looking at adopting an Ordinance prohibiting use of cell phones in the city of Swartz Creek and giving out tickets if you're caught using one. Adam Zettel clarified that it would target distracted driving, whether using a cell phone, or fighting with someone in the car – it's all distracted driving. David Krueger added that it just needs to be stopped. David Krueger also said that they had the Chamber of Commerce meeting at Sign-O-Rama yesterday and they would be providing a quote for bumper stickers to offer to residents about no cell phones while driving.

Rae Lynn Hicks said her comments were about the new Ring, and giving education about it. Rae Lynn Hicks added that she thought it was important that residents would still have access to the building. Rae Lynn Hicks said that she took part in the lock-down at the middle

school and asked if the school or police department runs it. Chief Bade said it was probably the school in conjunction with the school resource officer. Rae Lynn Hicks said it was interesting and she was helping with the backpack program. Rae Lynn Hicks added that the kids don't quite get or the adults and it took a minute to get them to participate. Rae Lynn Hicks said that she found it interesting that students are being educated to confront an active shooter and wondered if that was true. Chief Bade said that was on a continuum and Rae Lynn Hicks said she didn't think the students understood that. Lt. Joel Grahn added that ALICE is new training and the acronym stands for: Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate.

Kay Doerr said she was appreciative of the comment about the vaping pens and that by request of the County Commissioners, she would be facilitating, with a panel of experts, a Town Hall Meeting on vaping this evening.

Chief Bade said that after the meeting there would be a lunch in the training room to say goodbye to Mike Neering who is retiring and to swear-in the new Detective, Christine Lutz.

### **Adjourn**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 11:11 a.m.