

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 27, 2021

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 Chairman, David Krueger, on October 27, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. David Krueger welcomed everyone and asked Chief Bade to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

David Krueger requested that Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call of members present.

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

Also Present: Chief Matt Bade, Lt. Todd Johnson, Shawna Farrell, CPA, Metro Police Administrative Assistant, Janette MacAinsh, Attorney Kevin Kilby, Mundy Township Manager Chad Young, and Swartz Creek City Manager Adam Zettel.

MINUTES

David Krueger presented, and asked for a motion to accept the minutes. David Witter made a motion to approve the minutes; Cory Bostwick supported the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

AGENDA

David Krueger presented the agenda, and asked if there were any changes. David Witter asked about the procedure for changes. Discussion held. David Krueger asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Tonya Ketzler moved to accept the agenda; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

I. Reports and Communications to the Authority. David Krueger reported he has not received any communications.

II. Business Items:

A. MPA Activity.

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Chief Bade. Chief Bade reported that Metro has hired 2 new officers; one part-time officer, and one full-time officer.

Lt. Todd Johnson presented department stats to the Board as well as an overview of department activity, and cases. Discussion held.

B. Salvage Inspection Building Lease

Chief Bade reported that the Genesee County Sheriff's Department will be moving out of the building currently used by GAIN. Chief Bade proposed that the Metro Police Authority lease the building for the salvage inspectors. Discussion held about cost and terms of lease. Chief Bade said he was seeking Board approval to enter into negotiations for a lease. David Witter made a motion to permit Chief Bade to negotiate with Mundy Township on a Lease; Cory Bostwick supported the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

C. Contracts

1. Officers

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Chief Bade to discuss contract negotiations. Discussion held. Rae Lynn Hicks made a motion to go back and negotiate to not include one thing in their FAC; David Witter seconded the motion. Further discussion was held and both Rae Lynn Hicks and David Witter withdrew their motion and support, respectively. Dennis Cramer made a motion to table acceptance of the contract pending fact finding clarification; Rae Lynn Hicks seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote on the motion to table acceptance of the contract until the Chief is here to bring it back.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

2. Command

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to table; Dennis Cramer supported the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

3. Chief

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to table; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

MEETING BREAK AT 11:32

MEETING RESUMES AT 11:42

D. Financials.

1. Budget

Discussion held. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to table the budget until the next meeting; David Witter supported the motion. David Witter asked if there was any legal requirement for when it needed to be done. Shawna Farrell responded that it needed to be done by the end of the year. David Krueger asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Financials

Discussion held regarding financial statements and transaction list. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the financial and check register as presented; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion.

David Krueger asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

Cory Bostwick – Yes	Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes
Dennis Cramer – Yes	David Witter – Yes
Tonya Ketzler – Yes	David Krueger – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

2. Application for waiver: Retirement & Health Benefit Systems

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Shawna Farrell. Shawna Farrell explained that the waiver form had to be submitted because the State is showing the OPEB as underfunded. Shawna Farrell explained that it was because with the Interlocal Agreement, the OPEB funding is shared, but the total liability gets reported in the Metro Police Authority name. Shawna Farrell further explained that if it is less than 40% funded, the waiver is required. David Krueger asked for a motion. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to submit the Retirement and Health Benefit Systems waiver to the State; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion.

David Krueger asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

Dennis Cramer – Yes	David Witter – Yes
Tonya Ketzler – Yes	David Krueger – Yes
Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes	Cory Bostwick – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

E. FANG/GAIN.

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Dennis Cramer who reported that FANG had a guest speaker who showed how to deploy a parachute, and added the meeting was awesome.

F. Donations.

David Krueger recognized Cory Bostwick who indicated that she didn't have anything to report.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Swartz Creek Manager Adam Zettel thanked the Board and staff and appreciated their daily efforts.

Mundy Township Manager Chad Young said he echoed the comment and doesn't think any of the contract discussion should be viewed negatively.

BOARD COMMENT

Tonya Ketzler said the hard part of their job is looking for the long-term health and welfare of officers, that when they have done their service there is still something to give them.

Dennis Cramer said he also echoed the previous comments adding they have a duty as members of the Board to sustain the viability of the department for decades to come. Dennis Cramer thanked the department for what they do.

David Witter asked about the procedure for doing a ride-along. Chief Bade said they would get him set up.

David Krueger thanked the officers for everything they're doing, adding that this department was set up to be the best in the County.

Chief Bade added that the department was there and said he appreciated the Board's help.

David Krueger said he was looking forward to in-person meetings with the small cities and villages group and using that again to promote the Police Authority around the County. David Krueger asked if there were any other police authorities. Chief Bade indicated that Tawas just disbanded their Authority. Attorney Kevin Kilby indicated that their Authority was set up under a different Public Act. Chief Bade added that if you read between the lines, there was some politics involved.

IV. ADJOURN

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to adjourn; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 12:08 p.m.