

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 24, 2020

METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY BUILDING
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The Regular Meeting of the Metro Police Authority of Genesee County was held by electronic access through Zoom. The meeting was called to order by the Board Chairperson, Kay Doerr, on November 24, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Kay Doerr welcomed everyone and asked Dennis Cramer to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Present on Zoom: Kay Doerr, David Krueger, Cory Bostwick, Dennis Cramer, Rae Lynn Hicks, and Vane King. Tonya Ketzler was absent for roll call but joined the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

Also Present via Zoom: Chief Matt Bade, Lt. Joel Grahn, CPA Shawna Farrell, Mundy Township Manager, Chad Young, and Metro Police Authority Attorney, Kevin Kilby.

MINUTES

Kay Doerr presented the minutes for approval. David Krueger made a motion to accept the minutes as printed; Cory Bostwick 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.

Chad Young indicated that he was on the phone with Tonya.

I. Reports and Communications to the Authority

Chief Bade indicated he had received an email from FANG Lt. Brewer commending Det. Badal for his investigative perseverance, arrest, and the compassion he showed for a victim's family on one of his cases. Chief Bade added that he is proud of the work Det. Badal is doing.

*Tonya Ketzler joined the meeting via Zoom at 10:06 a.m.

II. Business Items:

A. Departmental Activity

Lt. Grahn reported an arrest had been made where firearms were recovered in a stolen vehicle along with drugs. Lt. Grahn further stated that the occupants also had warrants.

Lt. Grahn also reported a fatal accident in Mundy Township involving a local doctor. Lt. Grahn said it appears that it was likely caused by a medical condition as the accident occurred prior to the vehicle leaving the road.

Lt. Grahn reported that the Detectives have been busy with CSC's involving minor children, and commended all the officers for their good work on their cases.

B. MERS Addendum

Chief Bade explained that the MERS Addendum was coming before the Board again for approval as it discovered that the language which had already been approved by the Board, was incongruent with the language of the bargaining agreements. Chief Bade further explained that this involved the Defined Contribution and not the Defined Benefit portion. Chief Bade said he was not sure how it was missed, and that it will cost a little to catch up, but at this time only involved 6 employees. Kay Doerr added that she was glad this was caught fairly early and it was just something that had to be done.

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to approve the MERS Addendum; David Krueger seconded the motion.

Kay Doerr asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

C. In-Car Video Quotes

Chief Bade reported that there have been questions about cameras. Chief Bade reported that he had talked to multiple agencies including the Michigan State Police, the Prosecutor's office, and I.T. Right about the system being considered. Chief Bade requested Board approval for the purchase of 6 in-car video systems from Watchguard, and the purchase of 5 more systems next year. There was further Board discussion. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to purchase Watchguard for a sum less than \$52,000.00; David Krueger supported the motion.

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 – Yes	David Krueger – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

D. Financials.

Kay Doerr turned the meeting over to Shawna Farrell who went through the financials for January through October 2020, noting accounts that were both above and under budget. There

was Board discussion about specific accounts. Tonya Ketzler asked if the \$52,000.00 for the in-car video systems would be coming out this year. Shawna Farrell reported that it would come out after the 1st of the year.

Kay Doerr asked for a vote. Shawna Farrell reminded the Board that the motion should include the financial statement and check register. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the reports as printed; David Krueger seconded the motion.

Kay Doerr asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

1. 2020 Budget Amendment. Shawna Farrell reviewed the 2020 Budget Amendment for the Board. There was Board discussion. Kay Doerr asked for a vote.

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to approve the Resolution Adopting the 2020 Amended Budget #1; Rae Lynn Hicks supported the motion.

Kay Doerr asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

2. 2021 Budget Approval. Shawna Farrell presented the 2021 Budget Resolution to the Board indicating there would be an increase in the budget. Shawna indicated that the 2020 surplus would help, and Kay Doerr reminded the Board that there will be a catch-up payment to MERS as well. There was Board discussion.

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the Resolution Adopting the 2021 Budget; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion.

Kay Doerr asked Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

E. FANG/GAIN Reports.

- 1. FANG Report in Packet.** Dennis Cramer answered David Krueger's question for a definition of an 8-ball of cocaine, which was referenced in the FANG report which was included in the Board packet.

F. Donations.

Rae Lynn Hicks indicated that she had \$37.00 from the Women's Club, Cans for K-9's collection. Rae Lynn Hicks said they will continue the collection through the end of December. Dennis Cramer added that he had a remaining check for \$24.00 for a total of \$404.00 for the Back the Badge campaign.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mundy Township Manager Chad Young announced that several of the road projects have been completed. Chad Cook said that several complaints regarding Cook Road have been made about people using Cook Road for off-roading and as a speedway, and asked Chief Bade if he could have the traffic enforcement officer and patrol out on Cook Road. Chad Young also announced that Grand Blanc Road would be reopened today, making it easier to get around. Chad Young reported several complaints of trucks using eastbound and westbound Maple Ave. and asked Chief Bade for heavy enforcement in the Maple Ave east of Linden Rd. area. Chad Young offered his thanks to the Metro Police Authority for their work, and his appreciation for the work being done with the hotels.

Kevin Kilby said in answering the question about Hurley Hospital, he reviewed the opinion, and a contractual agreement between the Authority and Hurley would not satisfy the requirement of government functions as set forth in the Government Immunity Act, and the officers would lose their immunity if Hurley was taken on as an account.

Chad Young added that on the topic of expanding partnerships, and David Krueger's point about economic hardships, he encouraged the elected officials to reach out to the State Senators and Representatives. Chad Young said one of the primary hurdles are going to be the unfunded liabilities in terms of pension and OPEB. Chad Young added that he thinks working with the State Legislature and or MERS to try and address the issues.

BOARD COMMENT

Kay Doerr said she would have to get a sign that says Wolverine Country to put behind her.

David Krueger said that Dennis Cramer was not reelected to Swartz Creek City Council, but would continue to represent Swartz Creek on the Metro Police Authority Board, and wished everyone a blessed Thanksgiving.

Dennis Cramer wished everyone a great Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday. Dennis Cramer asked if the December meeting would reconvene on Zoom. Kay Doerr said it was good to assume that the meeting would be on Zoom.

Tonya Ketzler told Chief Bade that there are big trucks still going down Jennings Road on the gravel side. Chief Bade indicated that he would have Officer Hiben out there. Tonya Ketzler wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving to everyone and said she was thankful for our men and women in blue.

Cory Bostwick wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and encouraged everyone to stay safe.

Vane King said he was glad the meeting was put on Zoom as he was in Texas. Vane King wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Vane King acknowledged the great job being done in policing, keeping the officers safe, and keeping everyone from getting COVID-19.

Rae Lynn Hicks wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and added that the meeting via Zoom worked out well.

ADJOURN

Dennis Cramer made a made a motion to adjourn; David Krueger supported the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 11:48 a.m.