

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 24, 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 November 24, 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, Dennis Cramer, Tonya Ketzler, Rae Lynn Hicks, and David Witter. Cory Bostwick, and Vane King were absent.

Also Present: Chief Matt Bade, Lt. Todd Johnson, Shawna Farrell, CPA, Metro Police Administrative Assistant, Janette MacAinsh, 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; Dennis Cramer seconded 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. Chief Bade asked that Interlocal Amendments be added as C1. David Krueger asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Tonya Ketzler moved to accept the agenda as amended; 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 Shop with a Hero is scheduled for December 15th with Officers making deliveries like they did last year. Chief Bade said Officers Ortiz and Officer Abraham are going to be working with Grand Blanc Township and Argentine Township as well as Metro staff and the respective schools to identify the families in need.

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 there has been a development in that the Genesee County Sheriff’s Department wants to maintain their space in the building used by GAIN. Attorney Belzer was drawing up a lease contract, who believes Metro should assume the lease and then lease to the sheriff’s department. Chief Bade said he also talked with Attorney Kilby who will draw up a lease for Metro after the holiday.

C. Contracts

1. Interlocal Amendment

David Krueger said there are 7 pages to the amendment. Chief Bade directed board members to page 2, item 1 where the changes are identified. David Krueger said one of the changes is on page 3, item 2, which calls for a negotiation committee, and a budgetary committee. Tonya Ketzler gave a brief history of Metro, and an explanation for the committees, and for better communication. Discussion held. Mundy Township Manager Chad Young said that these amendments need to be ratified by the municipalities, and it was his understanding that the municipal managers would be on both committees. Further discussion held.

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to recommend changes to the Interlocal Agreement to the City of Swartz Creek and Mundy Township for approval; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

2. Officers

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Chief Bade. Chief Bade confirmed to the board that longevity pay does not apply to MERS. Tonya Ketzler motion to approve the Officers contract; David Witter supported the motion. Discussion held.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

3. Command

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Chief Bade. Chief Bade said the only difference in this contract proposal is the on-call increase by 1 hour. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the Command Officers’ agreement; David Witter supported the motion. Discussion held.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

4. Chief

David Krueger presented the Chief's contract. David Witter made a motion to approve the Chief's contract. Chief Bade explained that the contract in the packet is his existing contract. Chief Bade said he had not had an increase in the last four years, and while he looking at comparables he was being paid considerably less than other Chiefs in the area. Chief Bade said he brought it to the attention of the Chair and Tonya Ketzler. Chief Bade also asked that with any increase, the MERS contribution be increased to reflect that of the Officers and Command Staff as well. Shawna Farrell explained that the memorandum was completed to show what the cost-of-living adjustments should have been back to 2017. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to make the Chief's contract the COLA increases as shown in the memorandum and increase his MERS contribution to match those of the tentative contracts; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. Discussion held. David Krueger suggested to Shawna Farrell an effective date of January 1st as the other contracts. Tonya Ketzler so included. Rae Lynn Hicks asked what the term of the contract was. Chief Bade explained that it was an evergreen contract, so that unless there's a change it just keeps going. David Krueger and Tonya Ketzler clarified that the amount would be the 2022 figure of \$100,901.50. Discussion held. David Krueger said the motion on the floor to approve the increase in the amount that the Chief has to contribute toward MERS and increase his salary to \$100,901.50.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

D. Financials

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Shawna Farrell who reviewed the financial statements for the Board. Discussion held. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accepts the financials and transaction list; Rae Lynn Hicks seconded the motion.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

1. 2021 Budget Amendment

David Krueger asked Rae Lynn Hicks to read Resolution number 11-24-21-019 Resolution Adopting the 2021 Amended Budget #1; Dennis Cramer seconded. Shawna Farrell reviewed the changes. Shawna Farrell reported that she had met with Chief Bade to discuss what to do with the surplus, noting it would be a good time to give back to the municipalities. Chief Bade also had received a quote for 3 new vehicles. Chief Bade added that the plan was to lease 2 vehicles, but now we're back to Interceptors at \$33,000 each. Chief Bade added that instead of purchasing 2 vehicles, he would like to buy 3. Chief Bade said his proposal would be that instead of purchasing 2 vehicles, 3 vehicles would be purchased, and try to get the older vehicles out of the fleet. Shawna Farrell said that would amount to about half of the surplus, and the proposal would be that the other half go back to the City and Township so those Boards see that the Police Authority is handling their

budget and wanting to return funds to the municipalities. Shawna Farrell further explained how it would affect the 2021/2022 budgets. Discussion held.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

MEETING BREAK AT 11:26 a.m.

MEETING RESUMED AT 11:36 a.m.

David Krueger called the meeting to order.

2. 2022 Budget Approval

David Krueger asked and David Witter read Resolution number 11-24-21-020 Resolution Adopting the 2022 Budget; Dennis Cramer seconded the resolution. Shawna Farrell reviewed the budget items. Discussion held.

Shawna Farrell explained the other Resolution in the packet was to establish the contribution rate to MERS at 110%, not to exceed 15% of the total Authority budget. Shawna Farrell said this Resolution doesn't have a specific time frame to it so that every year as long as the budget gets approved with the additional 10%, a separate Resolution wouldn't be necessary.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

David Krueger said there was one more Resolution 11-24-21-021 to that needs to be approved. Shawna Farrell said that Resolution was the one that she discussed about the additional 10%, open ended, and once approved will go in the Resolution book and it won't have to be approved every year unless the Board wishes to either change the percentage or get rid of it altogether.

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

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

E. December Meeting Date

Chief Bade said the next meeting was scheduled for December 22nd a couple of days before Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Chief Bade said that in the past the board has moved the date to a week earlier so he put in on the agenda in case the board wanted to change it to December 15th. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to move the December meeting to the 15th as opposed to the 22nd; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. Tonya Ketzler added at the same time. David Krueger asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

F. FANG Report.

Dennis Cramer said he didn't have anything to add.

G. Donations

David Krueger recognized the absence of Cory Bostwick.

David Krueger said that in light of what happened in Waukesha, Wisconsin he suggested to the Chief that maybe we would want to suggest that the Officers who are working the parade, are very visible with AR rifles, with slings, just to assure that the crowd realizes that Metro is there for their safety, and taking all steps possible to protect them. Rae Lynn Hicks and Tonya Ketzler both said they didn't like the idea. Tonya Ketzler added that we are not that community and don't want to give the feel that we are that community, and doesn't think one incidence should change how they do business. Rae Lynn Hicks agreed. Chief Bade said Officers are very mindful of safety issues.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

IV. BOARD COMMENT

Rae Lynn Hicks said she appreciates all the hard work Shawna Farrell has done and is happy to take the information back to her board.

David Witter said his wife's car was destroyed in an accident and they are very thankful for the police and fire departments. David Witter reported that he had an interesting ride-along. David Witter said they went to a call where there were at least 200 teenagers and fights going on all over. David Witter said the Officers and Sergeants did what they needed to do, telling the crowd to get in their cars and to leave the parking lot. David Witter said they were consistent in their instructions, getting the scimmages under control, and it lasted for about 30-45 minutes. David Witter added that he was glad he was there to see it.

David Witter also said he noticed there are a lot of accidents on US-23 with people who are not residents of the area. David Witter said he didn't know if it was legal, but wondered if we could charge the insurance company for the cost. Chad Young said cost recovery is not new and it is in place for the fire department. Adam Zettel added that they also have cost recovery for Swartz Creek.

Dennis Cramer said he had a lengthy conversation with retired officer Szmansky, and he is doing well. Dennis Cramer also invited everyone to his Open Installation at Swartz Creek Lodge 458 on

December 4th at 6:00 p.m. Dennis Cramer said he disagrees with some board members about measures for the Christmas parade.

David Krueger thanked everyone for staying and wished everyone a blessed Thanksgiving.

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to adjourn; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Adjourn: 12:25 p.m.