MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 16, 2020

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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 December 16, 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, Tonya Ketzler, Rae

Lynn Hicks, and Vane King.

Also Present via Zoom: Chief Matt Bade, Lt. Joel Grahn, Shawna Farrell, CPA and Mundy Township

Manager, Chad Young.

MINUTES

Kay Doerr presented the minutes for approval. David Krueger made a motion to accept the minutes as printed; Tonya Ketzler supported the motion. Kay Doerr asked for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

AGENDA

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

I. Reports and Communications to the Authority

II. Business Items:

A. MPA Activity

Chief Bade indicated that a Sergeant's exam has been scheduled.

Chief Bade said the DOJ Use of Force policy has been completed pursuant to the President's Order for Safer Policing which allows Federal grant funding.

Lt. Grahn reported that an arrest had been made of the person who had been doing multiple armed robberies of Check & Go's. Lt. Grahn reported that the Genesee County Detective Association had developed some leads, a meeting was held at Metro and later that same afternoon Grand Blanc City had responded to a suspicious attempt, and made an arrest.

Lt. Grahn reported that Officer Hiben had contacted the Walmart Distribution Center and GM Supervisors who handle the truck traffic concerning trucks on Maple Rd, and reported that it appears to be an error with the GPS directions still showing Linden under construction, and new drivers.

Chief Bade added that regarding the Check & Go robberies, Detective Lutz along with the Grand Blanc City Police, interviewed the suspect, and obtained a confession. Chief Bade added that Officer Hiben had also seen shortly after the Swartz Creek robbery of the Check & Go, a suspicious male walking down the road carrying a gas can to a vehicle and made a mental note of the vehicle, which eventually helped to identify the suspect. Chief Bade acknowledged the good job done by the officers.

B. Salvage Inspection Program

Chief Bade discussed being approached by salvage inspectors looking to be certified through the Metro Police Authority. Chief Bade said Lt. Grahn is a certified salvage inspector, and that he was expecting to do the inspections next year, and into retirement. Chief Bade said Lt. Grahn has approached Chief Bade about continuing to do the inspections as a special assignment through Metro Police Authority as an independent contractor doing salvage inspections. Chief Bade said Lt. Grahn would get a fee and part of the fee would come back to the Metro Police Authority. Lt. Grahn gave the Board an overview of how salvage inspections were done. Tonya Ketzler asked if MERS had been contacted. Lt. Grahn said that he had spoken with MERS who said there was no problem because it was a different job description. Kay Doerr asked for a motion to allow Lt. Grahn to work as an inspection officer with oversight by Mundy Township, being an employee of Mundy Township. Tonya Ketzler moved that motion; Dennis Cramer supported the motion.

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

David Krueger – Yes

Cory Bostwick – Yes

Dennis Cramer – Yes

Tonya Ketzler – Yes

Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes

Kay Doerr – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

C. MPA Discussion Points

Chief Bade provided board members with a list of talking points to use when discussing the benefits of the Authority to other municipalities. Tonya Ketzler and Kay Doerr expressed their appreciation for the list.

D. Financials

Shawna Farrell noted that the budget amendment was approved by the Board at last month's meeting. Shawna Farrell said although the school liaison position was shut down, and will reflect a decrease in that line item, she anticipated the revenue items to hit the total income mark where the budget is concerned. Shawna Farrell also reviewed the expenditures and added that she anticipated those line items coming in ahead for 2020.

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the financials as presented with the check register; Rae Lynn Hicks supported the motion.

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

Cory Bostwick – Yes

Dennis Cramer – Yes

Tonya Ketzler – Yes

Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes

Kay Doerr – Yes

David Krueger – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

E. FANG/GAIN Reports.

Dennis Cramer said he did not receive a report for November, so there was nothing to discuss.

F. Donations.

Cory Bostwick said she had contacted ELGA and just received confirmation that ELGA would give a donation like they had done last year.

G. Board Elections and Appointments

Kay Doerr opened the meeting for board elections and appointments. Kay Doerr asked for a motion for the chairperson position.

1. Chairperson (elect). Tonya Ketzler made a motion to have David Krueger to assume the Chair position. Kay Doerr supported the motion.

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

Dennis Cramer – Yes
Tonya Ketzler – Yes
Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes
Cory Bostwick – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

2. Vice-Chairperson (elect). Kay Doerr asked for a motion for the vice chairperson position. Rae Lynn Hicks made a motion for Cory Bostwick to assume the vice-chairperson position; Kay Doerr supported the motion.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

3. Seventh Member (appointment). Kay Doerr asked for a motion for the 7th member position. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to keep Vane King as the 7th member; Cory Bostwick supported the motion.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Kay Doerr then turned the meeting over to the new Board Chairperson to finish the meeting.

H. Approval of the 2021 Board Meeting Calendar. David Krueger asked for approval of the calendar as submitted. Dennis Cramer made a motion to accept the dates as posted for 2021; Tonya Ketzler supported the motion. Cory Bostwick questioned if the December date should be moved ahead a week.

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

Kay Doerr – Yes
David Krueger – Yes
Cory Bostwick – Yes
Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mundy Township Manager Chad Young offered his thanks again to the Metro Police Authority for their work. Chad Young said he also appreciates the work being done by the traffic officer Hiben. Chad Young added that every encounter has been very professional, very kind, and has always seemingly done an excellent job following up on the requests made of him and especially the resident complaints. Chad Young asked Chief Bade and Lt. Grahn to pass along his thanks to Officer Hiben.

IV. BOARD COMMENT

Tonya Ketzler said it had been a pleasure to have Kay Doerr on the Board, and added that she will be missed.

Dennis Cramer asked Chief if the healthcare system and internet security system was intact. Chief Bade said that I.T. Right had addressed their use of Solar Wind products which is cloud-based, and not part of the Orion hack.

Cory Bostwick said she too would miss Kay Doerr, especially for her wisdom. Cory Bostwick asked if the Metro Facebook page could be kept current. Cory Bostwick wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Rae Lynn Hicks said to Kay Doerr that she didn't know she was leaving, and added that she loved talking with her about health department things, and asked her to keep in touch. Rae Lynn Hicks wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Kay Doerr said she was proud of the Metro Police Authority, saying it was a real gem and hoped that both community and Board members will support the good work being done by the Metro Police Authority and that it continues to grow. Kay Doerr wished everyone a nice holiday.

Vane King said he will miss Kay, and thanked the department for the great job they are doing, and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

David Krueger said he also wanted to thank Kay Doerr for her service, and looked forward to growth. David Krueger also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Chief Bade said he has a plaque to present to Kay Doerr when he sees, as a founding Board member. Chief Bade read the following: "Presented to Kay Doerr in recognition of your distinguished service as a founding Board Member and Chairwoman of the Metro Police Authority of Genesee County. We congratulate and wish you well with your future endeavors. Dated December 16, 2020. "

Kay Doerr said it was totally unexpected, and thanked everyone and said she will treasure it.

V. ADJOURN

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 10:50 a.m.