

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 27, 2019

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, Curt Porath on February 27, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Porath led the Board and audience in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Curt Porath introduced and welcomed Rae Lynn Hicks to the Metro Police Authority Board. Curt Porath requested Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call of members present.

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

Also Present: Chief Matt Bade, Lieutenant Joel Grahn, Shawna Farrell, Kevin Kilby, Adam Zettel, and Chad Young

MINUTES

Curt Porath requested a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. David Krueger made a motion to accept the minutes as printed; Tonya Ketzler seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED**, unanimously.

AGENDA

Curt Porath requested a motion to approve the agenda and asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the agenda; Kay Doerr seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED**, unanimously.

1. DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

Curt Porath turned the meeting over to Chief Matt Bade and Lt. Joel Grahn regarding department activity.

- A. Department Meeting on 1/30/19 – Chief Bade reported on the department meeting which included cultural expectations, and the new Pillars of Excellence signs posted throughout the building. Chief Bade also reported that the department meeting included Hope Network who gave a presentation to the department about mental health first aid.
- B. Hartland Township – Chief Bade reported that he, Adam Zettel, and Chad Young had met with Hartland Manager James Brickland who was interested in forming an Authority. Chief Bade said this was an informational meeting only.
- C. Collaborative Casework – Chief Bade highlighted a case handled by FANG, Det. Diem, Det. Larry Pirochta, Gaines, Genesee, Grand Blanc Township, and the MSP Fugitive Team.

- D. 2018 Service Activity – Lt. Joel Grahn reviewed the statistics received from the State for 2017 and 2018 reported cases and reports are up 10% from 2017 to 2018. Lt. Grahn also reported that about 50 warrants had been issued since the beginning of the year. Lt. Grahn also explained the difference in Part I and Part II crime classifications.

2. APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO THE INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT

- A. Prosecution Services. Chief Bade presented the Addendum to the Interlocal Agreement to change the contract for prosecution services. David Krueger made a motion to accept the Addendum; Tonya Ketzler seconded the motion.

Curt Porath requested Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

Cory Bostwick – Yes
David Krueger – Yes
Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes
Kay Doerr – Yes
Tonya Ketzler – Yes
Curt Porath - Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

3. PROSECUTION PROTOCOL & COURT REPORTS STATUS

Curt Porath asked Chief Bade about the status of the protocol. Chief Bade reported that the emails had been given to the prosecutors and the warrant forms set up for digital signatures. Chief Bade reported that the department was still trying to get reports from the Court as to the fines and ordinance fees. Shawna Farrell reported that the Court is being cooperative, but not very quick about developing the report.

4. GAINES TOWNSHIP UPDATE

Curt Porath turned the meeting over to Chief Bade who reported having a meeting with Paul Fortino regarding the shared services agreement. Curt Porath reported that the 18 month commitment is about to expire and Gaines is not in a position to make a decision about Authority participation at this time. Chief Bade reported that there has been a cooperative effort by Gaines to assist the Metro Police Authority when needed. Board members expressed a desire to extend the shared services agreement. Tony Ketzler made a motion to extend the shared services agreement for another 6 months; Kay Doerr seconded the motion.

Curt Porath requested Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

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

Tonya Ketzler – Yes
Curt Porath - Yes
Cory Bostwick – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

5. BUDGET

Curt Porath turned the meeting over to Shawna Farrell. Shawna Farrell reported that she now has a more accurate picture. Shawna reported that we are over budget due to equipment budgeted in 2018 but was not received until 2019. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the budget and check register; Cory Bostwick seconded the motion.

Curt Porath requested Janette MacAinsh to do a roll call vote:

Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes
Kay Doerr – Yes
Tonya Ketzler – Yes
Curt Porath - Yes
Cory Bostwick – Yes
David Krueger – Yes

MOTION PASSED, unanimously.

6. FUNDRAISING

Curt Porath presented the topic of fundraising for the MVP's as well as the new park coming up in Mundy Township. Curt Porath expressed that he believed officers, civic leaders and MVP should be involved. There was Board discussion about implementing fundraising for the volunteer program. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to put together a fundraising committee of 3 people. Cory Bostwick volunteered to be on the committee. Kay Doerr suggested Tonya Ketzler lead the committee. David Krueger suggested that Rae Lynn Hicks also sit on the committee. Tonya Ketzler restated the motion to put together a fundraising committee of 3 people to discuss opportunities and advantages; Kay Doerr seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED**, unanimously.

7. Appointment of Vice Chair

Curt Porath addressed the Board that he was resigning from the Swartz Creek City Council on 2/28/19 and was therefore resigning from the Metro Police Authority Board. Curt Porath recognized that vice-chair Kay Doerr would be assuming the Chair position. Curt Porath also introduced Dennis Cramer who will be taking over the Swartz Creek position on the Board, and Rae Lynn Hicks who was filling the seat previously filled by Dennis Pinkston.

Tonya Ketzler made a motion that David Krueger be the vice president of the Metro Police Authority; Cory Bostwick seconded the motion. Curt Porath asked David Krueger if he was

willing to accept the position, which David Krueger acknowledged that he was willing. **MOTION CARRIED**, unanimously. Curt Porath expressed his congratulations to both.

Curt Porath mentioned that the MVP dinner would be tomorrow 2/28/19 at 6:00 and thanked everyone who donated for the dinner.

Dennis Cramer wanted to let Board members know that he would be meeting with Representative John Cherry and Senator Hart on 3/20/19 regarding Senate Bill 2 reference decreasing the time frame for Law Enforcement to process forfeitures.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chad Young, Mundy Township Manager, extended an invitation for March 5th for Social Media Training from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Mundy Township Hall to be facilitated by Mundy Township Trustee, Matt Bach, who is also the Director of communications for the Michigan Municipal League. Chad Young also thanked Curt Porath for being a tireless advocate for the Metro Police Authority organization.

Faye Porath said this was sad and bittersweet everyone has been wonderful. She added that she will love having Curt with her.

Curt Porath said he thought about what he was going to say. He said this group has been wonderful, and he wished he was going to be here to see it done and wanted to thank everyone.

BOARD COMMENT

David Krueger joked that to Curt Porath that he now has a wonderful opportunity to start a new Authority.

Kay Doerr wanted to thank Curt Porath for being a cornerstone of this organization by being the first Chair and welcomed the new members to the Board.

Cory Bostwick welcomed the new members and gave well wishes to Curt Porath and his wife.

David Krueger wished Dennis Pinkston could have been present, but he just couldn't make the meetings and that's why he resigned. He added he was dedicated to the job he offered to do and enthusiastic to see the Authority, and is glad to see it will be continuing.

Curt Porath thanked Shawna Farrell for all of her hard work. Shawna Farrell extended her best wishes to Curt Porath and his wife, and said Curt Porath would be missed.

Rae Lynn Hicks said she was looking forward to working with everyone on the Board, and said she had already said her goodbyes to Curt Porath.

Tonya Ketzler said the day meetings are good for retirees and Chief, but would like to look at some evening meetings to get younger people involved. She also reported that she was almost in an accident yesterday because someone was pushing snow in the road and thought that people should be made aware that it was illegal to push the snow into the road. Chief Bade said they were aware of the problem and it was being addressed when they were made aware of it.

Tonya Ketzler also said that roll calls seem to be at the discretion of the Chair and would like to know the policy for the Board.

Tonya Ketzler told Curt Porath that it was nice to work with him and thanked him for his support over the years.

Chief Bade asked if roll call policies would be something the Board would come up with or the attorney. Kevin Kilby said it was totally at the discretion of the Board. Chief Bade said roll call is easier for the department. Tony Ketzler said that if it was easier, then maybe that's what should be done on everything.

Chief Bade welcomed Rae Lynn Hicks and Dennis Cramer. Chief Bade said he was looking forward to working with them. Chief Bade said he believed the MVP program is very important to the Board and has been on a recruiting effort and specifically targeting Swartz Creek. Chief Bade said Lania was good enough to put an article in The View and it was put in the Swartz Creek newsletter. Chief Bade reported that they have received some responses, and that they are putting together an abbreviated version of the MVP Academy to get it up and running.

David Krueger added that Dennis Cramer is on the Boards of both GAIN and FANG and said he would probably be happy to give a monthly report if it was something he wanted to add to the Agenda.

Chief Bade asked Curt Porath to come forward. Chief Bade presented Curt Porath with a plaque thanking him on behalf of Metro Police Authority of Genesee County.

Curt Porath shared that at the first meeting Tonya Ketzler said to him, you're going to be the Chair, and he said of what? Curt Porath expressed that he was honored to be selected and said that it had been fun.

Chief Bade said he also had a plaque for Dennis Pinkston that he would present at the next council meeting. Chief Bade also invited everyone to the luncheon after the meeting in honor of Curt Porath.

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to adjourn; Kay Doerr seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED**, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.