

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON MARCH 23, 2022

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 March 23, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. David Krueger welcomed everyone and asked Officer Andrew Grocholski to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Present: David Krueger, Cory Bostwick, Dennis Cramer, Tonya Ketzler, and Rae Lynn Hicks. David Witter 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, Officer Andrew Grocholski, Officer Joseph Kennedy, Officer Patrick Roach, and Sergeant Michael Murphy.

MINUTES

David Krueger presented the Minutes from the February 23, 2022, meeting and asked for a motion. Dennis Cramer made a motion to accept the minutes; Cory Bostwick supported the motion. Rae Lynn Hicks asked for a correction to the Minutes noting that in the Board comments it should be LEPC and not LAPC. Dennis Cramer restated his motion to accept the amended 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. Chief Bade asked that the swear-in of Officer Patrick Roach be added to number 2. David Krueger asked for a motion to approve the amended Agenda. Tonya Ketzler moved on the motion; Rae Lynn Hicks seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

I. Reports and Communications to the Authority. David Krueger and Chief Bade had nothing to report.

II. Business Items:

A. MPA Activity.

Chief Bade reported that Nina Gottschalk who had been a big supporter of the Authority and also provided therapy dogs, had passed away over the weekend. Chief Bade added that the Authority will miss her.

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

1. Swear-In Officer Kennedy. Chief Bade introduced Officer Joseph Kennedy. Chief Bade said that he came to the Authority from Flint and was hired as a full-time officer. David Krueger administered the Oath of Office to Officer Joseph Kennedy, and welcomed him to Metro.
2. Swear-In Officer Roach. Chief Bade introduced Officer Patrick Roach who was coming from the New Lothrop Police Department. Chief Bade added that he was being hired as a part-time officer. David Krueger administered the Oath of Office to Officer Patrick Roach, and welcomed him to Metro.

B. Promotions

1. Lieutenant. Chief Bade reported to the Board that Lieutenant Johnson would be retiring mid-May. Chief Bade added that a local amendment required that the Board approve the hiring of the next Lieutenant. Chief Bade asked for approval to promote Sergeant Michael Murphy to Lieutenant. Discussion held. Tonya Ketzler made a motion for approval to promote Sergeant Michael Murphy; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

1. Swear-In Sgt. Grocholski. Chief Bade reported that Officer Grocholski was the next candidate to be eligible for promotion to Sergeant. Chief Bade said that with his swear-in, the K9 program will end. David Krueger administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant Andrew Grocholski.

David Krueger said that with the promotion and end of the K9 program, a motion was necessary to turn the dog over to Sergeant Grocholski. Tonya Ketzler made the motion; Cory Bostwick seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

C. Tow Service Guidelines.

Chief Bade said that Lieutenant Johnson had worked on this document, and had Attorney Kilby review it. Chief Bade said the guidelines will be added to the current policy. Chief Bade added that on page 23 it refers to Appeals. Chief Bade said the Board would serve as the appeals board and Chad Young and Adam Zettel would represent the municipalities. Lieutenant Johnson added that they tried to cover everything so everyone is on the same page. Discussion held. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the guidelines as corrected; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

D. Financials.

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Shawna Farrell who reviewed the financial statements and transaction list for the members present. Discussion held. David Krueger

requested a motion to approve the financials and transaction list. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the financials and transaction list; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion.

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

Cory Bostwick – Yes
Dennis Cramer – Yes
Tonya Ketzler – Yes

David Krueger – Yes
Rae Lynn Hicks – Yes
David Witter – Absent

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

E. FANG/GAIN Report.

Dennis Cramer stated that he had nothing to add at this time.

F. Donations.

Dennis Cramer reported that the fall fundraiser for Back the Badge is on target. Dennis Cramer said he will need some help with flyers and tickets.

G. April Meeting.

Chief Bade requested to move the April meeting time to 11:00 a.m. for a retirement luncheon.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chad Young thanked the Authority for all the work they do. Chad Young asked for Metro Police to participate in a senior event scheduled for May 21st, and also on June 25th for the 75th Anniversary of the Mundy Township Fire Department.

IV. BOARD COMMENT

Tonya Ketzler said there will also be an event at the Mundy Miracle Commons on August 5th, and said it was nice to have community events.

Dennis Cramer said the quality of the program appears its attracting people with skills, which is another benefit of the Authority.

David Krueger said there is a new disc golf course opening, but no date has been announced.

Tonya Ketzler reported some park gate problems on Sunday. Chief Bade reported that he reissued a directive reminding people to care of it. Chief Bade said often it's someone who doesn't normally work there.

Rae Lynn Hicks reported that at the LEPC meeting Chief Blight said the funding isn't coming in like it used to.

Cory Bostwick said it was nice to see the AED received by Medstar. Cory Bostwick added that we say thank you to our first responders, but need to remember what they are exposed to on a daily basis, and how it may affect their mental health.

Dennis Cramer said thank you for your service every day, 24/7.

Chief Bade added he has a good group, both sworn and civilian.

V. ADJOURN

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Adjourn: 11:07 a.m.