

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 25, 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, Kay Doerr on September 25, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. Kay Doerr welcomed everyone and asked Tonya Ketzler to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Present: Kay Doerr, Cory Bostwick, Dennis Cramer Rae Lynn Hicks, David Krueger, Tonya Ketzler and Vane King.

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

MINUTES

Kay Doerr presented the minutes for approval. David Krueger made a motion to accept the minutes; Tonya Ketzler seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

AGENDA

Kay Doerr presented the Agenda for approval. Chief Bade requested that number 5 be amended to general category of labor. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the Agenda; David Krueger seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

1. DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITY

- a. **UAW Strike.** Lt. Joel Grahn discussed the number of event calls received because of the strike. Lt. Grahn reported that GM had reached out to the department and the traffic car had been assigned there. Lt. Grahn praised Officer Hiben for the excellent job he was doing at the site. Lt. Grahn also reported that shifts were being set up with GM and GM would be reimbursing the department for the manpower. Chief Bade added that he was proud of his staff for taking a problem-oriented approach and avoiding the issues that other plants were experiencing.
- b. **Drug Drop Box-SC.** Chief Matt Bade reported that Rite-Aid was providing a drug drop box for Swartz Creek which would most likely be set up in the lobby at the satellite office in Swartz Creek.

2. PPU Agreement Language

Kay Doerr suggested that the Board take a minute to read the document which was handed out at the meeting. Attorney Kilby suggested to save time that they limit their reading to Section 2. There was Board discussion and questions. Attorney Kevin Kilby explained that only preliminary approval by the Board was needed to forward the agreement to the municipal attorneys. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to send the proposed language to the attorneys for review; Kevin Kilby requested to add the language “or other date mutually agreed to by the parties” to section 2d which should read in whole: “Prior to October 1, 2020, and prior to October 1 of each year thereafter, or other date mutually agreed to by the parties”, and to change the word Authority to Township in Section 4, and requested to have the motion include those 2 modifications; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

3. FINANCIALS

Kay Doerr turned the meeting over to Shawna Farrell to review the financial statements and budget. Shawna Farrell reported that for January through August the Authority was at 68% of its budget. Shawna Farrell added that she expects the revenue to come in close to budget. Shawna Farrell said that she would have the budget amendment for the next meeting. Kay Doerr asked for a motion to approve the financial statements. David Krueger made a motion to approve the financials; Dennis Cramer seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Shawna Farrell presented the 2020 Budget to the Board which included an increase. Kay Doerr added that Officers were also added. Chief Bade had a correction for page 16 on the cost of the new vehicle. Board discussion. Kay Doerr made a motion to approve the 2020 Budget; Cory Bostwick seconded the motion. There was further board discussion about the increase outside of labor costs.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

4. CONTRACTS

- a. Chief.** Chief Matt Bade reported that his contract was up for renegotiation at the end of December and he was asking for a 1.5% increase as time instead of wage increase which would be equal to 32 hours added to his current time. Kevin Kilby said that there needs to be an addendum to the contract to be signed by both parties. Kay Doerr made a motion to direct the attorney to draft language to reflect compensation for the Chief; David Kreuger seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

- b. Support Staff (pending)**

5. CLOSED SESSION

Kay Doerr made a motion to enter into closed session; Tonya Ketzler seconded the motion. Kay Doerr requested that 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.

Closed session began at 11:12 a.m.

Discussion ensued which was exempt by State or Federal statute. No action was taken.

Kay Doerr made a motion to resume the regular meeting at 11:51 a.m.; David Krueger seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

6. REPORTS

- a. **FANG/GAIN.** Dennis Cramer reported that there was a FANG luncheon scheduled for Thursday and he didn't have anything to report on GAIN at this time.
- b. **Fundraising.** Cory Bostwick reported that she had received a check from ELGA Credit Union in the amount of \$250 as a donation to the volunteer program. Tonya Ketzler also reported that they would be having a meeting soon.

7. Public Comment

Kay Doerr opened the meeting to public comments.

Chad Young offered kudos to Officer Hibben. Chad Young said he can personally attest to the job he is doing in Hidden Ponds children pickup and went out there and Blake was already there. Feedback has been very positive.

Chad Young also mentioned a resident who serves on the planning commission who reported that he couldn't get a report without paying \$10 for an accident report and was very frustrated. Chief Bade explained that he had spoken with this person who had been very rude to the Dispatcher Courtney and he explained the process for obtaining an accident report and turning the claim into his insurance company. Chief Bade also told him he could obtain the report through this office or online and directed him to the website with the links to get a report. Chief Bade said the resident was not happy with those options. Chief Bade said that the resident had contacted Sgt. Johnson the day before who gave him the report number and gave him the parties name and insurance company. Chief Bade said the resident said the insurance company had no idea what he was talking about and he gave him the information again and the resident called back again and said they have no idea what he was talking about. Chief Bade instructed him to have his insurance company contact the Metro office to get a copy of the report because the other person probably had not turned it into his insurance company yet. Chief Bade said the resident said this process sucks.

Chad Young thanked Chief Bade for how it was handled and added that the resident was very complimentary of how everything was handled during the emergency response. Chief Bade added that there are processes we have to adhere to.

8. Board Member Comment

Rae Lynn Hicks said one of the residents asked at the City Council meeting to have a radar set up going out of Swartz Creek on Miller Road. Dennis Cramer clarified that it was eastbound. Rae Lynn Hicks asked if it could be put on the rotation to be placed on Miller Road close to Kroger.

Tonya Ketzler said at the end of the Homecoming game, 5 Metro cars were lined up at the curb and wondered if they had expected issues. Lt. Grahn explained that 3 or 4 of them are with the school and being paid by the school. Lt. Grahn said that because the School Resource and School Safety Officers have assigned vehicles, they probably took their car as well as the assigned district car that was out there. Chief Bade added that Swartz Creek has requested additional security and are paying for it.

Dennis Cramer asked how Officer Szmansky was doing. Chief Bade reported that he had a little set back with a blood clot as a result of his surgery, and everything is kind of in limbo.

Vane King offered his appreciation for the budget presentation and the comparisons from prior years.

Cory Bostwick said shame on the resident who was mean to the Dispatcher Courtney who she said was nice to everyone who comes in.

Kay Doerr said she too wanted to add her appreciation for all the work that went in with the budget and the PPU's and was thankful because of amount of work behind it. Kay Doerr added that they have a Trustee who is leaving because he is moving to Flint and shared that when he sold his house the person was so excited to move into Mundy Township because they love the Metro Police Authority.

Adjourn

Tonya Ketzler made a motion to adjourn; Cory Bostwick seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 12:05 p.m.