

MINUTES OF THE METRO POLICE AUTHORITY OF GENESEE COUNTY
BOARD MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 25, 2023

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 January 25, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. David Krueger welcomed everyone, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

David Krueger requested that Melissa Lewis do a roll call of members present.

Present: David Krueger, Cory Bostwick, Dennis Cramer, Tonya Ketzler, and Rae Lynn Hicks. Vane King and David Witter were absent.

Also Present: Chief Matt Bade, Lt Michael Murphy, Finance Director/CPA, Shawna Farrell, Evidence Tech/Property Room Manager, Melissa Lewis, Mundy Township Manager Chad Young, City of Swartz Creek Manager Adam Zettel, and City of Swartz Creek Council Member Nate Henry.

MINUTES

David Krueger presented the Minutes from the December 21, 2022, meeting and asked for a motion. Dennis Cramer made a motion to accept the minutes as printed; Cory Bostwick Supported the motion. David Krueger asked if there were any changes, and hearing none, asked for a vote on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

AGENDA

David Krueger presented that in January the new chair/vice chair are elected and that would be added to the agenda after MPA Activity summaries and before financials. David Krueger asked Chief Bade if there were any changes to the agenda as presented.

I. Reports and Communications to the Authority

David Krueger indicated all is well.

II. Business Items:

A. MPA Activity

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Chief Bade. Chief Bade reported that the police department is in the process of hiring 2 new part time officers. Chief Bade also reported that he met with 911 Director, Tim Jones, about an all agency call out in an emergent situation or major event, which is called the Rave Alert system. Chief Bade reported that the Rave Alert system went live last week

Chief Bade presented police department statistics. Discussion held. Chief Bade also presented the 2022 MPA Community Policing Initiatives which included Camp 911, MPA Open House/National Night out, Back to the Bricks – Brick Flix, and Crime Prevention through Environmental Design

Program – Hotels/Business. David Kruger asked if the facilities were very receptive. Chief Bade responded that they were. Rae Lynn Hicks asked how many training hours do they put in to do crime prevention, and if there are any other mental health trainings for officers? Chief Bade indicated yes to both. Discussion held. Dennis Cramer stated members of law enforcement were going to address the congregation of his church in Swartz Creek. Tonya Ketzler asked if working on building up the MVP program would assist with the community policing initiatives? Chief Bade stated yes, that in years past, MVPs were a big help with Camp 911, Shop with a Hero, Open House, etc. Chief Bade and Lt Murphy answered questions about statistics. Discussion held.

Chief Bade spoke about Police Service Officer, Andy Ortiz, and how he has been doing a great job for the police department. Chief Bade indicated that PSO Andy Ortiz maintains the department's fleet, light maintenance around the building, and any other task asked. He's very handy and does a great job.

Lt Murphy reported OHSP still going strong and will be through February for speed enforcement. Also, getting more permanent/solar radar signs that will be attached to telephone poles instead of being mobile. Lt Murphy stated the radar signs are accurate. Discussion held.

B. Appointment of Chair/Vice Chair

Chief Bade turned the meeting over to David Krueger to appoint a Chair/Vice Chair. David Krueger stated the term is for 1 year, so every January the board has to elect someone to replace the outgoing person whose term is up. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to keep the officers as they stand for another year. Dennis Cramer supported the motion. David Krueger asked for a vote on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

C. Financials

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Shawna Farrell who reviewed the financial statements and transaction list for the Board. Discussion held. David Krueger requested a motion to approve the Profit and Loss Statement. Tonya Ketzler made a motion to accept the financials including the transaction list; Dennis Cramer supported the motion.

David Krueger asked Melissa Lewis to do a roll call vote:

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

David Krueger – Yes
Dennis Cramer – Yes

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

D. FANG/GAIN

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Dennis Cramer. Dennis Cramer stated FANG made a vote to appropriate all monies from federal forfeitures to the operational fund of that organization. Dennis Cramer also stated FANG is going to possibly open up its conference room for drug intervention/counseling. Discussion held.

E. Donations

David Krueger turned the meeting over to Dennis Cramer who indicated there were just over 200-yard signs on hand for future fundraising. Discussion held. David Krueger stated with the leaving of Dennis Cramer, the board will need someone to fulfill the FANG/GAIN and donation role. Dennis Cramer stated it was very humbling to see the community come together to support the men and women in blue at such a pivotal time (2020). Discussion held.

F. MPA Expansion

David Krueger stated he has been talking to other township supervisors about using our services and joining the authority, especially those that do not have their own.

Chief Bade spoke about how MPA joined the Flint/Genesee Chamber of Commerce. Discussion held.

David Krueger stated Swartz Creek is going to host the next meet of the Small Cities and Villages Association of Genesee County at JT's restaurant 6P next Wednesday, February 1, 2023. All board members are welcomed to attend.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Adam Zettel stated glad to hear about the traffic initiative coming up. Adam Zettel also stated residents want to see police in community neighborhoods and when school is out. Even if they aren't writing tickets, people like to see police presence.

Chad Young wished everyone safe travels where ever the day may take them. Also mentioned the semi-truck incident on 23 earlier in the morning. Chad Young also stated that Economic/Community development is a serious priority for Mundy for the next 12-24 months, and he's happy Swartz Creek is joining

IV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Dennis Cramer reported that he is fielding a complaint over a very aggressive code enforcement officer in reference to Parkridge. Chief Bade suggested the person come to the police department to fill out a citizen complaint form so that he can look into the situation. Discussion held. Dennis Cramer stated it's been a great honor to serve for the past 2 terms, and wishes everyone a successful and prosperous 2023.

Cori Bostwick mentioned there is a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for Chuck McGlenchy at the American Legion Hall on Friday from 4P-8P. Cori Bostwick inquired if GHOST every does work with MPA? Discussion held.

Tonya Ketzler mentioned she will ask Sam if she can take some of those signs to the next chamber event in February and another event in March. Discussion held.

Rae Lynn Hicks thanks Chief Bade and staff for the requested statistics and for answering her questions so promptly.

David Krueger wished everyone a Happy New Year and also told Chief Bade he appreciates the crime stats for the past 3 years. He also asked how the new year was going for crime. Discussion held.

ADJOURN

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

MOTION CARRIED, unanimously.

Adjourn: 12:05 p.m.

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