A meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was held in the Burlington Police Department Community Room on Tuesday, June 26th, 2018. Chair Kemp Longmore called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM.

The following Commissioners were present: Chair Christine Kemp Longmore, Vice Chair Shireen Hart, Commissioner Robert Simpson, Commissioner Michele Asch, Commissioner Peter Bahrenburg, Commissioner Nyree Miles and Commissioner Jim Dunn. Also present: Deputy Chief Jan Wright, Lt Mike Warren, and Cpl Erwin standing in for Police Commission Clerk. Nancy Stetson, Nico Amador, Randall Harp and Meryl Braconnier

Additions or Modifications to Agenda:
~ Table #7 –The article by Eduardo L. Caledron: Citizen Oversight Committees in Law Enforcement until the Chief returns.

Public Forum:
~ Nico Amador from ACLU came to last month’s meeting and this one hoping to learn more about the police commission and also represent accurately when he discusses certain topics. He supports all of the hard work this group does and supports the implicit bias training BPD attended. He hopes the BPD and the command staff will be open to criticism.

Update on the Chief:
~ DC Wright explained the Chief had a bike accident while training for a triathlon. He suffers from 10 broken bones but is healing quickly. It is unknown when he will return to work. Commissioners expressed their concern and well wishes.

Tour of ERV
~ Sgt Couture provided a thorough tour of the ERV and equipment it holds.

Chief’s Report
~ DC Wright shared that the Chief attended the annual PERF conference which brought forth recognition that the BPD is at the forefront of trainings and de-escalation.
~ Chair Longmore asked when the next Commstat meeting would be held (July 26th at 8:30) and spoke highly of the meeting she previously attended.
~ DC Wright noted DC Burke’s last day is July 6 and we are accepting applications nationwide to fill the position. The interview process is expected to begin the week of July 9. BPD also has two Lieutenants’ retiring.

Review of Incoming Correspondence:
~ Cpl Erwin summarized the three letters that were in the folder from the month of May.

Commissioners’ Updates/Comments:
~ It is Chair Longmore’s last meeting as Chair. She was happy to serve as Vice and Chair and noted she learned a lot and it was tough at times, but worth it.
~ Commissioner Bahrenburg made a motion for Commissioner Asch to become Chair and Commissioner Hart remain as Vice Chair. All commissioners approved.
~ Vice Chair Hart introduced and welcomed the new Commissioner, Randall Harp. Randall will be starting shortly in his new role and will need a City e-mail for correspondence.
~ Commissioner Asch inquired about receiving citizen complaints. DC Wright acknowledged and will distribute them
Update on Vicious Dog Hearing:
~DC Wright served copies (amendments) to the appropriate parties the first week in June. They have 30 days to appeal. 
~DC Wright noted that a separate, second, dog hearing is expected to come to the table in the near future.

Update on 2017-2018 Annual Police Commission Report Due to City Council:
~DC Wright and Vice Chair Hart are meeting on July 5 to have it ready by the next meeting, July 24.

Consent Agenda – Minutes of Previous Commission Meetings: May 22nd Minutes
~Vice Chair Hart motioned to accept, Commissioner Asch seconded, all Commissioners voted in favor, minutes approved.

Next Meeting’s Agenda Items and Date:
~Next meeting will be July 24th. Commissioner Dunn noted he is away that week.

Executive Session:
~ None necessary

Adjournment:
~ Commissioner Bahrenburg motioned to adjourn, Vice Chair Hart seconded. Adjourned at 6:59 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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