

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
**TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2017**  
Approved

A meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was held in the Burlington Police Department Community Room on **Tuesday, May 23, 2017**. Chair Kenney called the meeting to order at 6:14 PM. Commissioner Hart arrived at 6:20 PM.

The following Commissioners were present: Chair Sarah Kenney, Co-Chair Christine Kemp Longmore, Commissioner Jim Dunn, Commissioner Robert Simpson and Commissioner Shireen Hart. Also present: Police Chief Brandon del Pozo, Deputy Chief Jannine Wright, Police Commission Clerk Brion Houston, and a member of the Burlington Police Department's Union.

**Additions or Modifications to Agenda:**

~ Chair Kenney requested to add a new #5 for the Fair and Impartial Policing Policy. Chair Kenney motioned, Commissioner Simpson seconded, motion passed.

**Public Forum:**

~ A member of the public asked that the City should fund the CCTV for the Police Commission meeting.

**Officer Wellness – Sonny Provetto:**

~ Sonny Provetto briefed the Commission on officer wellness and the importance of having a quick response of peer support to allow officers and civilian staff exposed to a traumatic incident a rapid debriefing. Mr. Provetto mentioned different outlets available to assist BPD members exposed to those traumatic stressors and assist them in the healing process of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder-PTSD.

**Update on the Police Commission Role Pilot:**

~ Chief del Pozo stated that his hope for the role of the Police Commission would be to have a consistent independent way of looking into things that you can transparently verify and review.

**Update on the Fair and Impartial Policing Policy:**

~ Chief del Pozo stated the report is ready for review from the Welcoming City Committee's meeting.

**Chief's Report:**

~ Chief del Pozo stated the new hire for the Training and Special Projects Coordinator Constance Crisp will be joining the department in June. Ms. Crisp comes to the department from Atlanta, Georgia.

~ Chief del Pozo stated the department will have 3 officers going to training for the seasonal bike unit.

**Review of Any Incoming Correspondence {as need}:**

~ The commission reviewed 3 correspondences from individuals outside of the Police Department.

**Commissioners' Updates/Comments:**

~ Commissioner Hart stated that there is a Letter to the Editor in the Burlington Free Press titled "Opinion: Teachers or SWAT Team", and looked for clarification. Commissioner Hart asked Chief del Pozo if there in fact was a tactical formation or "SWAT Team". Chief del Pozo stated that he wrote a response to the article which doesn't appear to have been published. His response was that no, there is not a SWAT team. The Police Department did get a vehicle that will consolidate all of the

~ Chair Kenney address the commission that her commission term is expiring at the end of June. Chair Kenney stated that she will not be seeking re-appointment.

**Review Updated Directives:**

~ No updated directives to review.

**Consent Agenda – Minutes of Previous Commission Meetings:**

~ Commissioner Hart motioned to accept, Commissioner Simpson seconded, motion passed.

**Next Meeting's Agenda Items and Date:**

~ The next meeting is June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

~ Police Commission Role Pilot with Sara Moore.

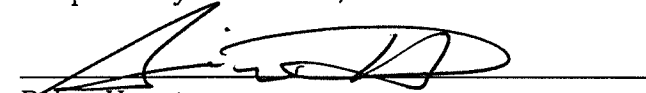
**Executive Session:**

~ Chair Kenney motioned to move into executive session at 8:28 PM. Commissioner Dunn seconded, motion passed to enter executive session.

**Adjournment:**

~ Chair Kenney advised that the commission adjourned following executive session at 9:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brion Houston  
Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police  
Clerk of the Police Commission

07/26/2017

Date