

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2017**  
Approved

A meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was held in the Burlington Police Department Community Room on **Tuesday, August 22, 2017**. Chair Kemp Longmore called the meeting to order at 6:17 PM.

The following Commissioners were present: Chair Christine Kemp Longmore, Commissioner Shireen Hart, Commissioner Michele Asch, and Commissioner Jim Dunn. Also present: Police Chief Brandon del Pozo, Deputy Chiefs Jannine Wright and Shawn Burke, Police Commission Clerk Brion Houston, Lieutenant Matthew Sullivan, Officer Eric Kratochvil, and a member of the Burlington Police Department's Officer Union.

**Additions or Modifications to Agenda:**

~ No additions or modifications to the agenda.

**Public Forum:**

~ Chair Kemp Longmore mentioned an email from a concerned resident regarding an incident with kids in Roosevelt Park. Deputy Chief Wright stated the incident is currently in review. Chair Kemp Longmore said she would provide the Chief with a copy of the email.

**Appointment of Vice Chair, Board of Police Commissioners:**

~ After discussion, Chair Kemp Longmore suggested to move this item to the next meeting. That will allow a decision where more Commissioners are present and included.

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

~ Chief del Pozo stated that the Police Department doesn't have a full curriculum to teach the Fair and Impartial Policing Policy. Chief del Pozo stated the policy is in effect. The state has yet to release its re-revised policy, however, they are using the Burlington Police Department's policy as a model.  
~ Commissioner Dunn stated that our Department has already adopted the policy; chief agreed.  
~ Chief del Pozo mentioned the possibility of bringing someone (Dr. Bryant Marks) into the Police Department for Implicit Bias Training.

**Commission Reorganization:**

~ After discussion, Chair Kemp Longmore suggested moving this item to the next meeting.

**FY17 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)**

~ Deputy Chief Shawn Burke addressed the Commission stating that this is an application to apply for money, specifically for the technology platform to support operational needs. The money would be used to purchase field grade tablets for police cruisers.

**Pursuits**

~ Lieutenant Sullivan, who monitored one of the pursuits, described it to be an impaired female operator who was oblivious to the fact police were attempting to stop her.  
~ Chief del Pozo states that he does not want officers to get into a pursuits that puts pedestrians in danger.  
~ Lieutenant read the policy regarding a vehicle in pursuit.

**Chief's Report:**

~ Chief del Pozo mentioned Dr. Bryant Marks, a nationally recognized speaker, who is interested in coming to the police department to conduct implicit bias training.

~ Chief del Pozo states that the department has just received new tactical vests. Deputy Shawn Burke described the quality of the vests. These vests, which are kept in the vehicles, can stop a rifle round. The vest would also stop a knife puncture. The vests that Police Officers currently carry will stop pistol rounds, but not knives. Deputy Chief Burke also passed around the actual vest to give Commissioners a better perspective of the equipment.

~ Chief del Pozo introduced "Creemee With A Cop" which will take place September 15 at Beansie's Bus, September 22 at Burlington Bay, and September 29 at Bagel Café and Deli; all from 5:00-7:00pm. Chief del Pozo states there will be a recruiting table and Police K9's.

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

~ Commissioners reviewed letters of commendation about officers.

**Commissioners' Updates/Comments:**

~ Chair Kemp Longmore welcomed Commissioner Asch.

~ Commissioner Dunn asked Chief del Pozo what the process is for reviewing complaints from citizens. Chief del Pozo stated that the Commission's role would be to assist in the vetting process.

**Review Updated Directives:**

~ Officer Eric Kratochvil stated he is working on modernizing and clarifying traffic enforcement and use of force directives.

~ Chief del Pozo stated that there is a directive that was just written regarding misconduct and reporting that to supervisors promptly.

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

~ Commission Hart suggested moving this item to the next meeting. Both Commissioners Dunn and Asch were not at the last meeting.

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

~ September 26, 2017 is the next meeting.

~ Commissioner Simpson requested to add a report in September of what is happening with the opiate crisis. Commissioner Simpson stressed the issue that Rapid Intervention and Drug Court are not reducing the amount of people dying from opioid overdoses.

~ Consent agenda and previous minutes from August meeting to September meeting.

~ Commissioner Dunn stated he would like to review citizen complaints.

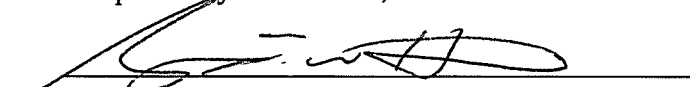
**Executive Session:**

~ Commissioner Dunn motioned to enter executive session regarding a disciplinary or dismissal action against a public officer or employee, Commissioner Asch seconded motion, motion passed.

**Adjournment:**

~ Commissioners exited executive session and adjourned at 8:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Clerk of the Police Commission

09/27/2017

Date