

# **Citizen Review Board**

## **Meeting Minutes**

August 24, 2016

*Douglas Bowen Bailey*  
*Patricia Behning-Oaks*

### **I. Call to order**

Doug Bowen-Bailey called to order the regular meeting of the CRD at 5:00 on August 24, 2016 at Room 303 Duluth City Hall.

### **II. Roll call**

Doug conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Patricia Oakes, Archie Davis, Renee Van Nett, Joan McNamara, Lieutenant Mike Ceynowa DPD, Deputy Chief Laura Marquardt. Police Chief Mike Tusken Guest Kathy Spencer.

### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Doug read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

### **IV. Open issues**

a) Police Liaison Report.

b) Incident report

### **V.**

c) Question by commissioner Behning-Oaks about investigating a complaint – There was conversation that followed with Commissioner Bailey and Lieutenant Ceynowa.

d) Commissioner Behning-Oaks inquired if all of the complaints from 2013 have been completed. Deputy Chief Marquardt replied all complaint are completed.

e) Lt. Ceynowa reported that there was a great turnout for the Cops, Kids and Cars event at Memorial Park.

f) Lt, Ceynowa also said the Tall Ships event was great.

g) It was reported that there were two promotions within the department to Sergeants.

h) There was discussion about the hiring process as well as discussion about different ways to be more effective with staffing.

- i) National Night out was also well attended.
- j) Commissioner Davis mentioned that some of the seniors around Myers-Wilkins community are concerned about a heighten police presence in their community. There was also discussion about a citizen and his medical condition that felt inappropriate questions were being asked about drugs and smoking.
- k) Commissioner Bailey asked about the “Implicit Bias “training Lt Ceynowa replied there is money available for training but it is not for Implicit Bias, but for other training at this time.
- l) Lt Ceynowa mentioned there are new opportunities for training through some grant opportunities that the department are exploring. Commissioner Bailey inured about the hiring schedule and timeline Lt Ceynowa replied they are looking at changes to the hiring process. Commissioner Davis apologized for not being able to attend the interviews.
- m) Commissioner Bailey refereed to an article in the Duluth News Tribune about outreach in the community and there was no relationship mentioned of the CRB supporting the event.

n) Board report was given by Commissioner Van Nett that reported there is work currently being done on the Facebook page and the CRB is hosting a Block Party of Friday (There was a flyer attached)

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- o) Commissioner Davis commented on meeting a student form CSS who was afraid that the Police would harm him. The questioned was posed How would you talk to someone that’s afraid of officers. Lt.Ceynowa replied set up a meeting to talk. Deputy Chief Marquardt mentioned if there are other reasons for fear they might not be able to reach him.
- p) Commissioner McNamara mentioned she would be willing to meet with him as well. Commissioner Davis replied he would reach out to the gentleman and get a clear understanding of where he is coming from.
- q) Commissioner Van Nett asked the question are we that board to meet with people one on one? Commissioner Baily mentioned I think we can be that board.

- r) Executive Committee report: They met with Carl Crawford and discussed the roles and how we can best work together and find ways for Carl more support. The committee reported that they have been working with a family and with Chief Tusken. It was a great learning and growing experience with the family. Commissioner McNamara shared the family was afraid of the police and now they are not. Information about board development and the on=boarding process was also discussed.
  
- s) Carl Crawford was given the task to check with the print shop about printing 1000 Community Police Encounters.

## **VI.**

## **VII. New business**

- a) Homeless Bill of Rights was discussed by Rebecca and there was discussion that followed.
  
- b) Commissioner Davis mentioned concern about a camper and was concerned if they were camping illegally. Deputy Chief Marquardt mentioned there were no present complaints about that issue.
  
- c) Commissioner Van Nett mentioned the Community Action Duluth Luncheon invite for 9/27/2016.

## **VIII. Adjournment**

Doug Bowen-Bailey adjourned the meeting at 6:04.

Minutes submitted by: Carl Crawford

Minutes approved by: [Name]