

LOCATION: *Duluth City Hall – 411 West First Street – Room 303*

MEMBERS Present:

	Joan McNamara	X	Katherine Eagle		
X	Patricia Behning Oakes	X	Renee Van Nett	/	Bob Grytdahl - Staff
X	Doug Bowen-Bailey	X	Archie Davis		

Absent with Notice: Joan McNarara

Absent without Notice:

Liaisons to DPD: Deputy Chief Ann Clancey, Lt. Laura Marquardt

Guests: Chief Ramsay, Ryan Morris, Sgt. Gayle Holton, Officers Nick Lepak and Russ Bradley, Ivory Jones

Call to Order: President Bowen-Bailey called meeting to order at 5:04 PM

Roll Call: Noted the attendance of the board members and guests introduced themselves.

Police Liaison Report: Lt. Marquardt handed out a draft template and packet that included status of 2015 complaints, crimes stats and CFS and 36 reports of use-of-force YTD. Chief Ramsay asked for feedback on the template.

Chief Ramsay gave a verbal update on crime in Duluth. Robberies are trending downward and are drug related. Burglaries are also down. There are a couple of burglary hot-spots, Lakeside has had a series of burglaries and couple of arrests. DPD is not sure if these crimes are related. Woodland had a couple of garage burglaries over the past weekend. Vehicle prowls are hit-n-miss around the city. Vehicle theft is trending downward. DPD follows these crimes because they are an indication of other crime trends. By controlling these they believe they can control others.

Chief Ramsay and Sgt. Gayle Holton, East Community Police Sergeant, spoke on the stabbing at the Steve O’Neil Apartments. Center City Housing has DW Jones a management company running its properties and is working to have them enforce the rules that were put in place but not being followed. Lt. Chad Nagorski met with them on this.

Homicide victim from the 1980’s Carolyn Andrews personal property was returned to her parents who live out-of-state. The cold case was recently solved through DNA evidence.

DPD Complaints: Reviewed – coded applicable to city ordinance. Ordinance language was reviewed. Thirteen complaints and those with Mobile Video Recorders “MVR” or body cameras noted. DPD collected 13,000 body camera videos last month. Averaging 300 videos per day. Doug Bowen-Bailey asked for the evidence that supports the dispositions. Chief Ramsay agreed to work to provide the CRB with it.

DPD has spent significant number of hours investigating DTA fatality.

Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) – Officer Nick Lepak, downtown COP, spoke on attending this mental health training and his work as a community officer. East COP Officer Russ Bradley introduced himself.

DPD Announcements:

Lt. Eric Rish will be retiring May 8, 2015.

Six officers in training are doing well. Next week final (hiring) interviews for new officers.

Approved:

School Resource officers will be moving to Canal Park.

Park Rangers will be on staff this summer, again.

Forty positive remarks from citizens. Lt. Marquardt handed out those received in April.

Mounted patrol Officer Lindberg has been selected for mounted honor guard.

Officer Ann Padden intervened while off-duty but still in uniform to a vehicle theft in-progress. She was on her way home and come upon the scene of the vehicle owner and thief. While other officers responded she was involved in use of force and pursuit of the suspect.

Public Comment:

Doug Bowen-Bailey reviewed the CRB meeting guidelines.

Mr. Ivory Jones told his story and perspective about the Duluth Police Department. He said he has had multiple negative incidents with the DPD over the ten years he has lived in Duluth. Bowen-Bailey asked Mr. Jones if he wanted to file a formal complaint. He said he would. Bob Grytdahl offered to help him with the forms. Specific CRB members offered Mr. Jones support, help and thanked him for sharing his story. Sgt. Holton reminded Mr. Jones he has offered him assistance repeatedly and is still available to help him.

Minutes: Motion to approve March 25, 2015 meeting minutes. MSP (Van Nett/Davis)

Board Reports:

Archie Davis: Has been in contact with a family regarding a "shots fired" incident in the hillside. Lt. Marquardt said she has an appointment set with the family for April 23, 2015.

Doug Bowen-Bailey: Indigenous Commission – has questions about probation and police, asked about a liaison for their commission. DC Ann Clancey said she and Sgt. Gayle Holton plan to attend the I.C. May meeting.

Executive Committee: Did not meeting. Bowen-Bailey said he did learn the CRB vacancy hopefully would be filled by May. Katherine Eagle to follow-up with a call to Daniel Fanning.

Presentation Committee: Have not met. Discussion about planning training for what citizens should know during a police encounter. May use ACLU as a resource or writing our own card to personalize it.

Policy Review Committee: Have not met formally. Have met informally.

Renee Van Nett said she needs more information. She wants committee to communicate better with the board.

Correspondence: None

Other Business: None

Members of the group have met informally.

Adjournment: 6:33 PM

Next Citizen Review Board Meeting: Wednesday May 27, 2015 5:00 PM

Minutes Approved: 05/27/2015 as presented

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