

DULUTH CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The monthly Citizen Review Board meeting was held November 19, 2025. The following people were present:

Marsha Lue	Human Rights Officer
Todd Maas	Board Member
Mel Holshouser-Derosier	Board Member
Bobbie Underthun	Board Member/Recorder
Leah Hansen	Board Member
Magdeline Cretens	New Board Member
Lt. Joel Olejnicak	Duluth Police Department (taking over for Lt. Ring)
Betty Greene	Citizen
Kathy Peterson	Citizen
Paige Greiner	Citizen
Gloria Walters	Citizen
Tom Starkey	Citizen

1. Call to Order and introductions: The meeting was called to order at 1732 PM by board member Holshouser-Derosier and seconded by board member Underthun

2. Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes was made by board member Holshouser-Derosier, and seconded by board member Underthun.

3. Public Comments:

* Citizen Greene noted the internal complaint 092-The finding was “not sustained”. She asked what this meant? She mentioned it would be really nice to have the definitions available since we have new citizens joining us.

* Board member Hansen mentions insight is wanted on the level of coaching given, and has questions regarding when parents are arrested in front of children. She asks how long things were going on before take down?

* Lt. Olejnicak stated no guns were involved with this complaint incident. It was found not sustained because the use of force was within training, but agreed the officer could have done a better job talking instead of taking action.

* Citizen Kathy Peterson brings up complaint 093, and said she is concerned someone was placed in handcuffs for jay walking, and states that she is “terrified” that a person could be handcuffed for walking across 1st street the wrong way. She asks that “jay walking, no be the term used in this form”

* Lt. Olejnicak said this complaint was found sustained, and was inappropriate interaction.

* Board member Hansen asks if there had been some racial bias and mentions she is sure everyone in the room has jay walked.

* Lt. Olejnicak said the complaint made no mention of being racially motivated.

* Board member Hansen said just because there was no mention of being racially motivated, didn't mean that it wasn't there, and she would like to see an audit of citations that are racial and white.

*Citizen Greene pointed out an article from Pioneer Press, regarding the DPD will start using Axxon Draft one. She mentions there are some countries where a prosecutor, will not prosecute documentation that is AI driven.

*Lt. Olejnicak mentions the department is working with the city attorney regarding any issues that could arise. Draft One is a company that turns what the body cam sees and heard into a report. The officer then has the duty to double check this for accuracy before approving the report.

*Citizen Greene asked if you have to disclose that the report was AI written? Lt. Olejnicak, answered, yes.

*Citizen Greene asked for meeting follow up on complaints 074, 089, 090.

* Lt. Olejnicak said 090 is still an IN PROGRESS internal investigation that was received 9/24/25 and occurred on 9/21/25, that is all he can say at this point. 089 Is also still IN PROGRESS and occurred 9/19/25 and was received 9/22/25. 074 is an ongoing internal complaint from 2023. Board member Hansen asked for us to be updated again at the next meeting.

4. Police Liaison Report

* 2 more recruits have started and the application process opened Monday with 3 applicants.

* Board member Maas mentions he is pleased to see where the drone program is going, and commends the department on its use.

5. Other Business: none

6. Announcements and Community Correspondence: Warming center hours and locations have been updated. There are free shuttle rides to and from. People can be dropped off at Union Gospel Mission, Domiano Center, and Chum.

7. Additional Public Comments: none

8. Board Member Questions:

* Board member Maas mentioned that he is a retired Superior PD officer, and has accepted a position with the sheriff's office. He said if anyone has any concerns or complaints regarding this to please let him know, as he welcomes feedback.

* Board member Underthun would like to step down from the recorder role so she can actively participate in the meetings more. If anyone is interested, please let me know.

9. Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 pm by board member Holshouser-DeRosier, and seconded by Underthun .