



PUBLIC SAFETY & COMMUNITY RELATIONS BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

FIRE STATION NO. 5 - 2602 SIX POINTS RD., BLOOMINGTON, IL 61705

APRIL 6, 2023- MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order-3:35

2. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Fish, McFarland, Woodard, Howard, Bommarito, Farmer

Absent: Commissioners Taylor, Bennett

3. Public Comment- None

4. Approval of March Meeting Minutes- Motion to approve, Ms. Fish. Seconded by Ms. McFarland. All in favor. Motion approved.

5. Update on Complaints Received (BPD)

a. Taser Report- 8 taser incidents-March 2023. 5 black male displays, 1 white male, 1 dog. Taser deployed on the dog. Weapon deployment on a dog.

b. 3 pending complaints

c. Use of force incidents: March-23 incidents of force used or displayed.

d. Calls for service March 2022- 5421 March 2023-5148, (273 less for March 2023)

6. General updates from BPD

a. Training and Continued Education- 2 officers in academy graduating in April

b. Recruitment- Hired 5 Officers as of May 1st so we will have 128/128 officers. Though some are retiring and some on disability.

Chief Wamsley discussed the 1-year anniversary of the ALPR program. Bloomington PD is planning on moving forward with the purchase of the additional 3 ALPR's (upon passing of the budget) and the integration more of our Public Safety Cameras with the ALPR software. Chief Wamsley and Lt. Jack McQueen presented original discussion in October 2022. Bloomington PD is planning to expand the zone for sharing information due to the influx of organized criminal groups moving in and out of Bloomington and into the cities and towns north of I-80.

7. Board Appointments: Chair and Vice Chair

8. Future meeting dates, times, location and topics

a. Next meeting: Regular meeting; Thursday, May 4th at 3:30pm, Miller Park Pavilion

9. Firearm Training Simulator

10. Adjourn – at 4:00 PM.

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