



PUBLIC SAFETY & COMMUNITY RELATIONS BOARD
COMBINED REGULAR AND QUARTERLY MEETING
MILLER PARK PAVILION
1020 S. MORRIS AVE., BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701
MARCH 2, 2023, AT 5:00 PM
QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order 5:00 pm
2. Roll Call Commissioners: Howard, Taylor, Farmer, Woodard, Fish, McFarland,
Absent: Bommarito, Bennett
3. Public Comment: *None*
4. Approval of February Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve, Mr. Taylor. Motion seconded by Ms. Fish. All in favor, motion carried.
5. *Text to Tip* Program (BPD) receive 5-7 Tips weekly for the last 5 weeks. We can redirect tips sent in error to Normal Overall the program has been successful overall as it allows residents to submit information anonymously. However, all tips must be vetted as the detectives must search and ensure that the information is valid.
6. *Lights On* Program (BPD)-information sent out, and we thought we were good to go. However, the companies working with Lights On have not signed the official paperwork. Hopefully, we can go live sometime in the next month. Businesses, like Walmart and Autozone must be reimbursed for the work that they do in fixing the head or taillights. The voucher is up to \$250 and good for 14 days. No compliance ticket issued if driver goes to one of the participating vendors to have light repaired.
7. Report/Update on Flock System Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR). This has been the darkest January on record in 80 years. There was a struggle to keep some of the system online because of not enough sunlight to charge system adequately. The system is used daily for detection, recovery of stolen vehicles; used in combination with public safety cameras to ID suspects, recovery of handguns, shot fired cases, verifies the accuracy of cases reported, and used with the latest homicide received by the County. The system is very effective.
8. Update on Complaints Received (BPD) -2 complaints received. 1 related to a 2022 complaint. 1 complaint withdrawn since it was a criminal complaint.
Calls for February 2022-5560. February 2023-5497.

- a. Taser Report- 2 incidents in February. Tasers were user displayed (1 Native American Male, 1 Black Male).
 - b. Weapons deployment on a dog who threatened officer.
9. General updates from BPD 123 of 128 positions filled. 1 lateral ready to start, and 2 officers halfway through the academy. 5 officers may be going to academy on May 7, 2023. 92 officer candidates invited to the physical fitness test, only 48 signed up for the test. Of the 48 who signed up, only 38 showed up, and only 22 of those passed the physical fitness test. Of the 22 who moved on to the oral interviews, only 11 or 12 passed the oral interviews.
 - a. Training and Continued Education- Officers must satisfy State requirements for annual training and BPD required training in addition to Crisis Intervention Training and Juvenile Certification Class.
 - b. Recruitment: very good candidates in this last round of interviews.
10. Review Annual Report for City Council- PSCRB received continued updates on all items listed in minutes and the same will be communicated to the City Council during the PSCRB Annual Report.
11. Open Board Member Positions
 - a. Youth Member Position (Current Term Ends 7/11)
12. Public Discussion (Quarterly Public Meeting topics TBD)
13. Future meeting dates, times, location, and topics
 - a. Next meeting: Regular meeting; Thursday, April 6th at 3:30pm, Location TBD
TOPICS: Chair and Vice Chair tenure ends on April 30th,
14. Adjourn (Approx. 5:50 PM)- Motion to adjourn, Ms. Fish. Motion seconded by Mr. Taylor.

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