



CITIZEN'S POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CPOC)

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

7:30 p.m.

Room 102, Village Hall

Minutes

Present: **CPOC:** Chair Albert Berry, Josh Luttig, John Nowicki
Absent: Tanya Ford, Kevin Ochalla
Police Department: Police Chief Ambrose, Deputy Chief Limon, Commander Partyka
Village Staff: Director of Human Resources, Assistant Village Manager Julia Scott-Valdez, HR Generalist Sue Kornatowski

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

There were introductions by the committee members, members of the Police Department in attendance and members of Human Resources.

There were no public comments.

There was a motion to approve the September 20, 2016 minutes. The motion was proposed by Josh Luttig and seconded by Albert Berry. Ayes: All, Nays: None. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Commissioner Luttig asked if the complaints could be sent out in separate attachments instead of one large attachment. Commander Partyka agreed to send the documents as requested.

Chief Ambrose provided information on the professional training program that occurred to train all Sergeants and Command Staff. Deputy Chief Limon passed around a binder that each member received in the training class for the committee to review. The standardized 8 hour training covered citizen complaints, affidavits, interrogation, advice of rights, administrative leave and FOIAs. The training also reviewed rules and regulations, standards and state law. There were four sessions for the training which was conducted by a consultant with a background in internal affairs. Chief Ambrose stated that one thing that is lacking in consistency in internal documents which has caused having to forego discipline since they were not timely. Commander Partyka will be overseeing and tracking all investigations.

Chair Berry stated that he would like to get the community more involved and has some ideas for communicating concerns that he will share with the committee.

Chief Ambrose indicated that he met with Community Relations Director Cedric Melton and two citizens on what his vision is. There will be a meeting on Wednesday, November 9th open to the public and members of CPOC can attend. The meeting will be at Village Hall in room 201 beginning at 6 p.m. One of the subjects is traffic stops and what citizens should expect when they are stopped by the police. He is hoping it will help ease tensions. Chair Berry asked HR Generalist Kornatowski to send an email to the CPOC group with the details.

There was a motion to go into Executive Session. Ayes: All, Nays: None. The Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:51 p.m.

The meeting resumed from Executive Session at 8:18 p.m.

Commissioner Luttig asked for the best way to receive up-to-date information on the community; best avenue for crime stats and alerts. Chief Ambrose said our website is an excellent source and also Community Police Officers have meetings. Another source of information is the FYI newsletter. Chair Berry indicated that they have a block captain who sends information to the neighborhood. Chief Ambrose also suggested calling the resident beat officer.

Chief Ambrose stated that years ago a supervisor would do a random call back to citizens who were involved in an accident or a street stop and they are working on bringing that program back to help building relationships with the community.

Chair Berry asked if there was still a young police experience and Chief Ambrose stated that the middle schools are still doing it. He discussed other programs for youths in the community.

There was a motion to adjourn by Committee Member Nowicki, seconded by Committee Member Luttig. Ayes: All, Nays: None.

The CPOC meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.