



**POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING AGENDA**
Thursday, November 16, 2023
4:00 PM

The Purpose of the Grand Rapids Police Community Advisory Board (The Board) shall be to establish and enhance communication between Grand Rapids residents, Police Department and City Council. Together, the Advisory Board and Police Department will identify and focus on public safety issues and collaborate with community leaders, community organizations and stakeholders in developing solutions to multi-faceted community concerns. The Board provides recommendations to the Chief of Police and City Council as to how issues should be addressed.

CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof, the Police Community Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 4:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers at 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids.

SETTING THE AGENDA:

ROLL CALL:

PUBLIC INPUT (if anyone wishes to address the Board):

CORRESPONDENCE:

APPROVE MINUTES:

1. Approval of the Minutes of September 21, 2023.

BUSINESS:

2. Jillian Buck Resignation / Open Application

3. Upcoming Expiring Board Member Terms:

Stephen Connolly	12/31/2023
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Dan Butterfield	12/31/2023
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Pam Dowell	12/31/2023
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4. Meth Dealer/VCET Press Release

5. Tactical RC 4 Sight Robot

In the last couple weeks, we purchased and received a Tactical RC 4 Sight robot. We feel that this tool has the potential of improving officer safety in a wide variety of police calls. Our AXON BWCs simply attach to the front of the robot allowing operator the ability to real-time (slight delay) view what the BWC records through *AXON Respond* cell phone application. Simply “Pair” the BWC to your City issued cell phone and secure the phone on the r/c remote control.

UPDATES:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING:

ADJOURN:

Following PCAB meeting, members will proceed to the Itasca County Jail for a tour.

ATTEST:

MEETINGS AND ATTENDANCE

The Board shall meet at minimum, four times each year as determined by the chair. A regular meeting may be cancelled by the chair or a majority of the Board. Every Board member shall be required to attend at least 75% of all meetings each calendar year. Board members who are unable to meet the attendance requirements may be removed by a majority vote of the Board. Prior to a vote considering the potential removal of a member, the member shall be afforded an opportunity to explain his or her reason for non-attendance.

BOARD MEMBERS AND TERM EXPIRATIO

Jillian Buck	12/31/2024	Dan Butterfield	12/31/2023
Stephen Connolly	12/31/2023	Cassey Casteel	12/31/2024
Pam Dowell	12/31/2023	Kerry Clausen	12/31/2025
Tom Nuestrom	12/31/2025	Nicolette Roberts	12/31/2024
Wendy Uzelac	12/31/2025		



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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: October 23, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Consider accepting the resignation of Jillian Buck from the Police Community Advisory Board and authorize filling the vacancy.

PREPARED BY: Chief Andy Morgan

BACKGROUND:

In 2016 the City of Grand Rapids established the Police Community Advisory Board (PCAB) with the purpose of establishing and enhancing communication between Grand Rapids residents, the Police Department and City Council. The goal of the collaboration is to identify and focus on public safety issues and then partner with community leaders, community organizations and stakeholders in developing solutions to multi-faceted community concerns.

On October 12, 2023 Board Member Jillian Buck contacted the Police Chief and requested to resign from the board due to her current employer citing a professional conflict. Jillian's personal insight and passion to better our community will be missed.

PCAB is designed to have nine (9) members. We would also ask that the Council authorize the filling of this vacancy.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Consider accepting the resignation of Jillian Buck from the Police Community Advisory Board and authorize filling the vacancy.







AITKIN-ITASCA-MILLE LACS VIOLENT CRIMES ENFORCEMENT TEAM

218 1st St NW Aitkin, MN 56431

218-927-7435 / 1-888-900-2138

Emergency 911

Date: October 18, 2023

On October 17, 2023, the Aitkin-Itasca-Mille Lacs Violent Crimes Enforcement Team (AIM VCET) executed search warrants in the City of Aitkin pertaining to the trafficking of methamphetamine.

Through investigative measures, AIM VCET had identified Lucas Peifer, 44 of Sauk Centre as a source of methamphetamine to several Northern Minnesota communities in Aitkin, Itasca and St. Louis Counties. Over 2 pounds of methamphetamine were seized along with \$7,000 in cash.

Peifer was taken into custody without incident and is being held in the Aitkin County Jail on charges of 1st Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance and 1st Degree Sales of a Controlled Substance.

AIM VCET was assisted in the case by the Aitkin County Sheriff's Office, Aitkin Police Department, and the MN BCA.

The Aitkin-Itasca-Mille Lacs Violent Crimes Enforcement Team (AIM VCET) was created in January of 2022 and received State of Minnesota grant funding to investigate, identify, and disrupt illegal drug activity within the jurisdictions of the AIM VCET members.

The AIM VCET requests that if any citizens in the three county coverage area have concerns or information regarding ongoing criminal activity involving drugs or violent crimes to please contact their local dispatch centers or the AIM VCET office at 218-927-7449.

