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**POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING AGENDA**
Thursday, January 20, 2022
4:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof, the Police Community Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 4:30 PM in City Hall Council Chambers at 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids.

ROLL CALL:

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

SETTING THE AGENDA:

CORRESPONDENCE:

APPROVE MINUTES:

1. Approve Minutes for Sept. 2, 2021
2. Election of officers- discuss secretary actually doing the minutes - if the position exists, the role should be done by that person.
3. Discuss who would be interested in Citizen Academy this spring if one is held.
4. Discuss number of meetings per year.
5. Discuss future PCAB Meetings relating to Dates and Locations
6. Discuss volunteer opportunities: I.E. Shop with a Hero, Safety Camp, National Night Out, and Children's First
7. New Equipment: Taser, Body Cams and Squad Cams
8. Focus of the PCAB - what are the goals, expectations, does the current PCAB serve as a "citizens advisory" board or is it more of a committee. Is there any production/activity that can be measured at a years end?
9. Discussion of PCAB terms - Who is staying and how many open Positions do have for 2022

UPDATES:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING:

ADJOURN:

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 EXPIRATION

Liz Branum	12/31/2022	Dan Butterfield	12/31/2023
Stephen Connolly	12/31/2023	Jackie Dowell	12/31/2023
Pam Dowell	12/31/2023	John Nalan	12/31/2023
Tom Nuestrom	12/31/2022	Megan Phillips	12/31/2023
Wendy Uzelac	12/31/2022		

Police Community Advisory Board Meeting

September 2, 2021

Grand Rapids Fire Hall

104 SE 11th St. Grand Rapids, MN 55744

4:30 – 5:30 pm

1. Call to Order: Board Chair Wendy Uzelac called the meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Dan Butterfield, Stephen Connolly, Wendy Uzelac, Courtney Kerns, Pam Dowell, Jackie Dowell, Tom Neustrom, Scott Cook, Steve Schaar (GRPD), Jackie Heinrich (GRPD)

Absent: Laurie Turman, Liz Branum, John Nalan, Megan Phillips

3. Public Comment: No members of public present for comment; one to observe only.

4. Correspondence: Copies of Board member Jim Martinetto's resignation letter handed out.

5. Approval of the Minutes: Motion made by Neustrom, seconded by Cook and P. Dowell, to approve minutes from June 3, 2021. Passed unanimously.

6. Business

- a. Meeting day of week and time: Motion by Neustrom to keep the current day of week (Thursday) and current time (4:30 p.m.), with only possible adjustment being which Thursday of month. Seconded by P. Dowell. Passed unanimously.
- b. Meeting frequency: Motion to keep to the quarterly schedule, with the ability to call additional meetings as needed, made by Butterfield and seconded by Neustrom. Passed unanimously.
- c. By-law changes: Under Article III, Section F., Board discussed adding the following language to the end: "It is the responsibility of each Board member to understand the duration of their term. It is also their responsibility to reapply at the end of their term if they desire to be considered for re-appointment." Motion to accept changes made by P. Dowell and seconded by Connolly. Passed unanimously. Board decided to add member terms to future meeting minutes, for reference. Proposed changes pertaining to restructuring/renaming Board to Police Advisory Committee tabled pending submission of additional information by P. Dowell. Motion to table by Butterfield, seconded by Cook. Passed unanimously.

7. Updates

- a. P. Dowell shared her experiences of doing a Saint Paul Police Department ride-along and visiting the George Floyd Memorial in Minneapolis.
- b. Newly appointed GRPD Chief Steve Schaar provided updates about the expanded Riverfest music event happening September 10-11; police force and reserves and other emergency personnel would be on hand. The GRPD is in the process of restructuring, eliminating the assistant chief position and adding two captains and two sergeants (pending City Council approval). They anticipate adding one patrol officer in the near future. The GRPD budget went

up slightly. New body cams and possibly squad car cams will be implemented. The citizen's police academy will hopefully be conducted next spring. After an inquiry by J. Dowell, Schaar confirmed an officer's presence was requested at the upcoming school board meeting.

8. Adjournment- Motion to adjourn at approximately 5:30 made by Neustrom, seconded by Butterfield. Passed unanimously.