

**Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners**

**Date of Meeting: February 1, 2018 – 3:00 PM**

Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third St., Detroit, MI 48226

**Chairperson Lisa Carter called the BOPC meeting to order at 3:00 PM (February 1, 2018)**

Detroit Police Commission Membership / Attendance	Attend	Not-Attend
Lisa Carter, Chairperson	Yes	
Eva Dewaelsche, Vice Chairperson	Yes	
Willie E. Bell	Yes	
Elizabeth Brooks	Yes	
Darryl D. Brown	Yes	
Shirley A. Burch	Yes	
Willie E. Burton (3:15 PM)	Yes	
William M. Davis	Yes	
Conrad Mallett, Jr.	Yes	
Derrick Sanders	Yes	
Vacant	N/A	
Quorum (Yes)	10	

**The Board acting in accordance with its rules approved the Agenda for February 1, 2018.**

**The Board acting in accordance with its rules approved the following Board Minutes:**

**Thursday, January 25, 2018**

**BOPC Officers Report(s):** After welcoming attendees to the meeting **the Chair requested a moment of silence in honor of fallen Detroit Police Officer Glenn Doss, Badge #5110.**

**Chairperson Lisa Carter** asked Rev. Nathan Johnson, D.D., Senior Pastor, Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church to provide the invocation. **Chairperson Carter** asked the Commissioners in attendance to introduce themselves and add any comments to the record. Other elected officials, representatives and VIPs were also asked to identify themselves or their organizational affiliations. BOPC staff in attendance were also introduced. Carter also welcomed DC Elvin Barren, representing Chief of Police James E. Craig to the meeting and invited him to introduce DPD staff.

**Chairperson Lisa Carter** said “On behalf of the Board, I want to express our concern and support for Officer Glenn Doss and his family. Final arrangements for Officer Doss will be Friday at 11AM at Greater Grace Temple, 23500 West Seven Mile Road. Visitation is also at Greater Grace Temple today starting at 5 PM.

Today, marks the start of Black History Month. As we see headlines today about human trafficking, this month presents a time to pause and remember that some 12.5 million Africans were ripped from their homes in the slave trade. Many lost their lives at sea, and the others who were forcibly brought to the United States endured horrible captivity from 1555 to 1865.

History shows that legacy of slavery remains with us – from the inhuman conditions forced upon a people, to Jim Crow and institutional racism, to the deadly KKK march just a few months ago. In 2018, we face an appalling resurgence of white supremacist principles that supported slavery... supremacist principles that history has condemned in every era – in American Colonial times, in Hitler’s time -- and that all people of good will and good conscience need again to condemn and stand in unity for humankind and for a society of equality.

Black history is integral to American History and to World History AND no history of life on Earth can be told with truth without including Black history. February is a short month, I hope all of us continue looking at Black history as we look at history, because then we will truly understand our past and see the best path to our future as a society.

Today, we have 3 presentations: the first from Alvin Stokes, City-wide Police Community Relations organization, another on audits performed by the Department on body worn cameras, and last DPD, CFO Lisa Jones on the 2018-2019 Departmental budget. I hope that we also will pass a resolution to transmit the budget to the Mayor. The resolution and the budget are in your package.

Toward the end of the meeting, we will have oral communications from the audience, so if you would like to speak to the Board, please make sure you print your name on a speaker's card. Cards are located in the back on the table or can be obtained by seeing Mr. Robert Brown, and he needs your card before the beginning of public comments.

**Commissioner Willie Bell**, read into the record a resolution honoring the life of **Police Officer Glenn Doss**, (Posthumously)

**RESOLUTION HONORING POLICE OFFICER GLENN A. DOSS**  
(Posthumously)

**WHEREAS** Mr. Glenn A. Doss was born on March 16, 1992 in Detroit, Michigan to Nikole Flowers and Glenn D. Doss. He was raised in a Christian home and accepted Christ at an early age. Glenn met Emily, the love of his life and together they produced Eli Noah Doss a beautiful boy; and

**WHEREAS** Glenn A. Doss was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on March 28, 2016. Upon graduating from the Metropolitan Police Academy, Officer Doss began his career at the Seventh Precinct. On Sunday, January 28, 2018, Police Officer Glenn A. Doss, badge 5110 passed away; and

**WHEREAS** During his law enforcement career, Officer Doss was the deserving recipient of Department of Justice Award "End", Perfect Attendance Award, Perfect Driving Award, a Memorial Medal of Honor and received several letters of commendation from his superiors; and

**WHEREAS** Officer Doss knew the value of education complementing his experience with an Associates of Arts Degree from Grand Rapids Community College.

**WHEREAS** Officer Doss passionately served the Detroit Police Department, and the citizens of Detroit. His professionalism, commitment to public service, integrity, and dedication were a credit to the Detroit Police Department. While other academy members decided to leave for other opportunities, he wanted to stay, so that he could carry on the family tradition by following in his father's footsteps.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED** The Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, award this resolution posthumously in recognition of Police Officer Glenn A. Doss for his dedicated and diligent public service. His professionalism, integrity, and standard of commitment to the city of Detroit and its citizens merit our highest regards. We salute you Officer Glenn A. Doss for a job well done.

**MOTION: Commissioner Dewaelsche moved the resolution, honoring Detroit Police Officer Glenn Doss, Badge #5110 Second, Sanders**

**VOTE:                    Yes = 10                    No = 0                    Abst. = 0                    MOTION APPROVED**

**COP Police Report: DC Elvin Barren** reported on crime continuing to trend downward. Barren reported on CompStat data for the reporting period ending January 28, 2018. Barren reported Homicides percentage change between 2016 and 2017 of -10% decrease, Sexual Assaults -10% decrease, Robbery -22% decrease, Carjacking -7% decrease, Aggravated Assaults -7% decrease, non-fatal shootings -21% decrease, Burglary -39% decrease, Larceny -28% decrease, Stolen Vehicle -36% decrease and Part 1 offenses -26% decrease. DC Barren indicated that figures in the first quarter of the year are misleading, but we have had a good start. Barren also provided additional information on the funeral of fallen **Officer Glenn Doss**. Barren also provided the Board with updates on other injured officers. Barren also indicated that the Graduation Class from the Detroit Police Academy scheduled for Friday (2/2/2018) was rescheduled until the following Friday due to the funeral of Officer Doss.

**Presentations to the Board** (A) Alvin Stokes, City-Wide Police Community Relations Organization, (B) Body Worn Camera Audit, Lieutenant William Sims, Civil Right Division, (C) FY:2018-2019 Detroit Police Department Budget, DPD, Chief Financial Officer Lisa Jones.

(A) **Alvin Stokes, President City-Wide Police Community Relations Council.** Mr. Stokes expressed the need to utilize the police community relations organizations network within the precinct to coordinate and expand outreach to citizens. He indicated

that such a focus can result in building a wide range of police support functions like civilian radio patrols, community-precinct CompStat informational meetings, and other precinct based activity. Mr. Stokes also indicated that NPOs are overworked and stretched thin and are required to attend any number of neighborhood /black club functions, but by utilizing the existing grid of neighborhood police community relations council networks we can provide more effective service and information. Mr. Stokes also expressed a concerns about ending community CompStat meetings.

**(B) Body Worn Camera Audit, Lieutenant William Sims, Civil Right Division.** Lieutenant Sims discussed the personnel assigned to Body Worn Cameras (BWC) inspection team and discussed the full integration of the body worn camera system with DPD's in-car video to allow for multiple vantage point recordings. He also reviewed milestones and accomplishments including the implementation of the systems into all police precincts and specialized commands and secondary employment. Sims also reviewed the deployment timeline beginning in the 4th and 7<sup>th</sup> Precincts in September 26, 2016 thru deployments to Downtown Services and Secondary Employment on December 11, 2017. Sims indicated that training for the system occurred online, in classrooms and in practical hands on training provided by command officers. Sims concluded his presentation by discussing body worn camera inspections. He indicated the inspections are to ensure compliance with department policy. Sims also indicated that the results of the inspections are discussed at command staff Compstat meetings and are used for continuous improvements within the Department. **Commissioner Mallett** inquired if the complaints taken by OCI is showing any impacts of the BWC deployment. **OCI Interim Chief Akbar** indicated that the BWC are having an impact and that the OCI is able to cut down on the not-sustained findings because of the visual evidence obtainable via the BWC. **Commissioner Burch** asked about the operation of the BWC. Lt. Sims showed his BWC mounted on his service jacket to Commissioner Burch. **Commissioner Bell** suggested that the BWC Policy be re-circulated to the Board so that new members of the Board will have an opportunity to review the policy. **Commissioner Dewaelsche** asked if about the continuous review and improvement cycle and if the lessons learned are discussed by command and used to enhance policy. Board **Secretary Hicks** also asked if an actual audit was performed and requested a copy of the audit for review by the Board.

**(C) FY:2018-2019 Detroit Police Department Budget, DPD, Chief Financial Officer Lisa Jones.** DPD/CFO Lisa Jones provided an executive level the presentation on the Detroit Police Department's Budget for Fiscal 2018-2019. CFO Jones indicated the budget request included expanded service and financial support for the Ceasefire Initiative, Project Greenlight and upgrades in technological and equipment used by the Department. She also indicated that the proposed budget continued the civilianization efforts underway in the Department. CFO Jones also reported that the 2018-2019 Revenues for the Department is \$64 Million largely obtained through tax collections, assessments and fees. CFO Jones also reported that the 2018-2019 Expenditures for the Department is \$318 Million (Baseline) and \$347 Million with new initiatives of \$28 Million inclusive of DPD overtime, capital budget expenses, BOPC Tow audit unit. Jones also discussed grants received or planned for DPD including the COPS grant to hire 15 new police officers, JAG grant for technology and equipment enhancements, VOCA grants to assist victims of crime and ATPA grant for auto theft prevention. Jones concluded her presentation with an overview of Forfeiture Funds at the federal (\$240,000, Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program), state and local levels (\$2.8 Million, Wayne County Prosecutor's Office Asset Forfeiture Unit). **Commissioner Sanders** indicated the Budget Subcommittee had received a presentation from Ms. Jones and had reviewed the budget. He indicated there were several questions asked by the subcommittee. **Commissioner Mallett** indicated his lack of support for the BOPC to do anything in connection with towing inasmuch as the Board had voted to relinquish its involvement in towing. He indicate that this issue should come back to the Board for future discussion. **Mr. Hicks** discussed the overall timing of the budget process, the BOPC Charter requirements in connection with the budget and indicated the Detroit City Council has transmitted a Budget Hearing schedule with BOPC hearing set for Monday, February 26, 2018 at 1:00 PM.

BOPC Executive Manager, G Faye Johnson read the following resolution into the record.

#### **Board of Police Commission Budget Resolution – February 1, 2018/DPD FY: 2018-2019**

**Whereas:** the City of Detroit is required to generate a budget to forecast revenues and plan the orderly implementation of a balanced budget, in the interests of the health and safety of the Citizens of Detroit. And that one of the critically important budgets in City government is for police service and law enforcement. And that the Detroit Police Department's Agency Finance Office (DPD/CFO) is required to develop a budget summarizing the revenues and projected expenses for the Department in cooperation with the Chief of Police, and

**Whereas:** The Detroit Board of Police Commissioners (BOPC) are required by the Charter of the City of Detroit (Sec 7-803) to review and authorize the transmittal of the Detroit Police Department's (DPD) budget to the Mayor, who will in turn receive

recommendations from the Office of the Chief Financial Officers, Budget Department and Finance. And that the Mayor will then submit his recommendations to the Detroit City Council for approval and subsequently to the Financial Review Commission, and **Therefore Be It Resolved**; the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners having reviewed the proposed budget from the DPD/CFO and authorizes the transmittal of the FY 2018-2019 Triannual Budget in the amount of \$318,670,561\* to the Mayor of the City of Detroit, inclusive of the new Initiatives recommended by the BOPC and Department.

**\*Baseline \$318,670,561 with New Initiatives \$347,059,795**

**MOTION: Commissioner Dewaelsche moved the resolution transmitting the CFO's recommended budget to the Mayor. Second, Sanders**

**VOTE: Yes = 10 No = 0 Abst. = 0 MOTION APPROVED**

**Report from the Board Secretary. Mr. Hicks** indicated the office had received three communications, each listed on the agenda.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business: None**

**Announcements:** The next Community Meeting of the BOPC is February 8, 2018 at 6:30 PM location at Heilmann Recreation Center, 19601 Crusade Street (48205). The next regular meeting of the BOPC is scheduled for February 15, 2018, at 3:00 PM, Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third Street, Detroit, MI 48226.

**Oral Communications from the Audience / Public Comments:**

**Peter Rhoades** reminded the Board of the impending report of revenues and expenses for downtown events. He inquired about the relationship between downtown services and neighborhood deployment and secondary employment. **Bernice Smith** inquired about the funeral expenses related to fallen officers and police raises. Ms. Smith also suggested that area funeral homes should provide a discount to officers fallen in the line of duty. HR Interim Director Bridget LaMar indicated the city utilizes a third party organization to defray the funeral costs, so the actual cost to the family is minimal. **Eric Blount** indicated he has two primary concerns as a citizen first is the Electronic Control Weapons (ECW) and Body Worn Camera (BWC). He encouraged a continued stream of information on the deployment and utilizations of these two systems. **Joann Warwick** complained about her investigation and follow-up by OCI that did not provide a reasonable explanation supporting the conclusions of her citizen complaint.

**MOTION to Adjourn by Commission Bell.**

**Adjournment 4:24 PM**