

Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, August 5, 2021 – 3:00 PM
Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting Platform

- I. **Vice-Chairperson Martin Jones called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.**
- II. **Invocation.** Chaplain John Tolbert provided the invocation.
- III. **Mission Statement of the Board of Police Commissioners.**
- IV. **Introduction of Police Commissioners. A roll call was held, and a quorum was declared.**

Detroit Board of Police Commissioners' Membership / Attendance		
	Attend	Not-Attend
Rev. Jim Holley, PhD, Chairperson		Excused
Martin Jones, Vice-Chairperson	Yes	
Darryl D. Brown	Yes	
Linda D. Bernard, Esq.		Excused
Shirley A. Burch	Yes	
Willie E. Bell	Yes	
Willie E. Burton		Excused
Lisa Carter	Yes	
William M. Davis	Yes	
Jesus Hernandez	Yes	
Annie Holt (3:30 p.m.)	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	8	

- V. **The Board approved the Agenda for Thursday, August 5, 2021.**

Motion: Commissioner Brown **Second:** Commissioner Hernandez **Discussion:** Yes.

VOTE: **Yes = 7** **No = 0** **Motion: ADOPTED**

- VI. **Vice-Chairperson Jones called for any corrections to the Meeting Minutes for July 29, 2021. After no corrections were submitted, the minutes were approved.**

VOTE: **Yes = 7** **No = 0** **Motion: ADOPTED**

- VII. **Introductions of Board administrative and investigative staff, Chief of Police, Elected Officials or Representatives.**

- VIII. **Chair's Report. Vice-Chairperson Jones stated the following:**

Again, we welcome everyone back to our In-Person Meetings. As previously shared, we will continue to adhere to the health and safety precautions as we gather in person for our meetings.

IN-PERSON MEETINGS AND REMOTE OPTIONS FOR COMMISSIONERS: The OMA prohibits a public body from meeting remotely, unless an accommodation of an absent member of the body is necessary due to:

- 1) military duty;
- 2) a medical condition; or
- 3) in the event of a statewide or local state of emergency or state of disaster declared pursuant to governing law.

Therefore, Commissioners who are unable to attend the In-Person Board Meeting(s) may only participate via the remote option if their absence aligns with either of the exceptions I have noted. We have received confirmation from the City's Law Department of same. Additionally, as previously shared during the earlier meeting announcements, we have arranged to have a hybrid space for public participation/and public comments. Our staff will monitor the available forums to identify persons requesting to speak during public comments to ensure they are acknowledged at the appropriate time.

BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE VACANCIES: Secretary to the Board & Chief Investigator Positions - Currently, City HR is in the process of finalizing the requisitions for these positions for reposting to the City's job board and various other designated job platforms the Board has previously approved. As you are aware, the Board previously posted these positions and received a pool of candidates' applications and resumes for the positions. Later, the Board voted to repost the positions after making revisions to the job descriptions. Our Administrative Staff and City HR have completed those tasks and the positions will be reposted for candidates to apply once the requisitions and other requirements are approved on the City HR side. Thank you for your patience with this process, and we look forward to sharing various updates in fulfilling our charter-mandated role.

CHIEF OF POLICE EXECUTIVE SEARCH FIRM UPDATE: Next week during our community meeting in the 5th Precinct, we will hold interviews for the position of Chief of Police. Our meeting location will be Northeast Integrated Health, located at 2900 Connor, between Mack and Vernor. We were able to confirm this location on yesterday, Wednesday. The meeting time is 3:00 p.m. I ask that Commissioners arrive at the meeting location at least 30 minutes in advance of the meeting to ensure we are ready for our community meeting and the interviews. Also, I have requested shortened presentations from the 5th Precinct and HR to allow for us to move quickly into our interviews for the position of Chief of Police. If you have additional questions for those units, please submit them in advance. As a reminder:

Key Points for Interviews and Follow-Up Process:

- All interviews must be held in an open session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act MCL 15.268f.
- Mr. Jackson, Deputy Chief Financial Officer/Chief Procurement Officer and TJA Staffing Services, Ms. Adams, have notified selected Candidates for interviews.
- Mr. Jackson and TJA Staffing Services will also be in attendance during the interviews held by the Board in an open session.
- The Board of Police Commissioners (Commissioners) will hold the interviews of the selected candidates for Chief of Police in the open session of next week's community meeting.
- After interviews are held, the Board will select the top (3) candidates as the Board's qualified list of candidates at the community meeting.
- The final list of candidates' names will be adopted by the Board in an open session and then submitted to the Mayor for final consideration.
- The Board will receive additional support material as you prepare for the interviews.

BOARD STAFF VACANCIES:

- As a reminder, we are currently in the process of filling key vacancies on our Board's Staff for the position of Investigator and Administrative Assistant. We have (2) new Investigators who will start with OCI on August 23, 2021, to ensure that City HR has sufficient time to process the appropriate documents.
- Also, the Board will soon receive recommendations from City HR for hiring for the position of Administrative Assistant.

Today's Agenda: Today, we look forward to receiving the Chief's Updates on crime data, and other critical events occurring within the Detroit Police Department and our community including but not limited to the alleged excessive force incident that recently occurred in Greektown and other key events that took place this week. We also look forward to receiving more information regarding the disciplinary matter involving a DPD Member with numerous citizen complaint investigations.

Later, we will have presentations from Civil Rights, Lieutenant Angelique Chadwick-Bills; and Resource Management, now designated as Management Services, Captain Jevon Johnson. We also have a Closed Session today to discuss the applicant appeals that we received in our meeting packet. We have adjusted the meeting agenda to allow Public Comments before moving to our Closed Session.

Lastly, a few reminders for the meetings:

- Commissioners, please wait to be recognized by the Chair before speaking; and
- Please refrain from extra comments and discussion during Reports, Presentations, and when a speaker has the floor.
- This will keep order and decorum in our meetings.

Thank you.

Resolution: Commissioner Hernandez read the resolution honoring Corporal Calvin Lewis (Retirement).

**RESOLUTION HONORING
CORPORAL CALVIN LEWIS**

WHEREAS Calvin Lewis was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on March 26, 2001. Upon graduating from the Metropolitan Police Academy, Officer Lewis began his career at the Second Precinct; and

WHEREAS Officer Lewis dutifully served the Second Precinct, Southwestern District, Narcotics Enforcement, Eastern District, Police Reserve Unit, and the Child Abuse Unit. Officer Lewis displayed tremendous knowledge and leadership skills as an Officer and earned promotion to rank of Corporal on May 8, 2015. He was reassigned to the Child Abuse Unit, where he served until his retirement; and

WHEREAS During his law enforcement career, Corporal Lewis was the deserving recipient of many honors. His recognitions include a Life Saving and Medal, Chief's Unit Award, two Citations, the Aretha Franklin Funeral Recognition Award, both Consent Judgement Awards, the Major League Baseball All-Star Recognition Award, the Rosa Parks Funeral Recognition Award, the Super Bowl XL Recognition Award, and numerous letters of commendation from citizens and superiors; and

WHEREAS Corporal Lewis 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. He was highly respected by his peers as a consummate professional.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, awards this resolution in recognition of Corporal Calvin Lewis and his more than 20 years of 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 thank and congratulate you Corporal Calvin Lewis.

Commissioner Hernandez moved adoption of a resolution, which after debate and amendment, was adopted as follows: *Resolved*, That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, awards this resolution in recognition of Corporal Calvin Lewis and his more than 20 years of dedicated and diligent public service. His professionalism, integrity, and standard of commitment to the city of Detroit and its citizens merit our highest regards.

IX. VOTE: Yes = 7 No = 0 **Motion: ADOPTED**

X. Chief of Police Report: Chief of Police's Summary of CompStat Data and other Crime Information/DPD Information: Chief James E. White and reported on officers injured in the line of duty; current CompStat Crime/Statistical Data for Violent Crime and Property; COVID-19 impacts, and recent critical incidents impacting DPD and the community. **See attached Meeting Transcripts for more information.**

**XI. PRESENTATION(S) TO THE BOARD: A. Resource Management – Captain Jevon Johnson
B. Civil Rights – Lieutenant Angelique Chadwick-Bills**

- A. Resources Management: Captain Jevon Johnson** provided an overview of Resource Management summarizing that RM is responsible for the procurement and distribution of uniforms, police equipment, and also identifies and manages renovations or new construction of viable facilities for Department use. *See also* PowerPoint Presentation available online.
- B. Civil Rights: Lieutenant Angelique Chadwick-Bills** provided an overview of the Civil Rights Division, which is responsible for the substantive and procedural requirements of all police-citizen contacts within the constraints of DPD policy, constitutional policing practices, and the law. This is accomplished through audits and inspections. The DPD's Audit Team and Compliance Team are assigned to the Civil Rights Division. The Civil Rights Division is responsible for the following commands: a. Risk Management; b. Management Awareness System (MAS); and c. Body-Worn Cameras (BWC). *See also* PowerPoint Presentation available online.

XII. Report from Interim Board Secretary Melanie White/Communications Submitted to BOPC as incoming information:

- 1. Weekly DPD Facial Recognition Technology Report 7/26/21 – 8/1/21
- 2. Letter from the Law Offices of Jerome & McLean Re: DTA Work Group with DPD and BOPC Partners
- 3. Project Green Light Update 8/1/21
- 4. Pre-NACOLE Conference Update
- 5. Staff Reports

XIII. Unfinished Business.

MOTION: To suspend the September 2, 2021, Board of Police Commissioners' Meeting due to the Labor Day Holiday weekend.

Motion: Commissioner Holt **Second:** Commissioner Carter **Discussion:** Discussion.

VOTE: **Yes = 7** **No = 1** **Motion: PASSED**

Yes: Vice-Chairperson Jones, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Burch, Commissioner Bell, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Hernandez, and Commissioner Holt.

No: Commissioner Davis.

XIV. Announcements.

Mr. Robert Brown announced the following:

- 1. **Next Community Meeting:** Thursday, August 12, 2021, @ 3:00 p.m. at Northeast Integrated Health, 2900 Conner, Detroit, MI 48215
- 2. **Next Meeting:** Thursday, August 19, 2021, @ 3:00 p.m. at Detroit Public Safety Headquarters

XV. Oral Communications/Public Comments:

CAC Scotty Boman, Ms. Bernice Smith, Ms. Michelle George, Ms. Tawana Petty, Ms. Faith, and Ms. Stephanie Washington offered public comments.

XVI. New Business. Closed Session

Motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(f) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(f) to review and consider the contents of an application for employment or appointment to a public office if the candidate requests that the application remain confidential (5:08 p.m.).

Motion: Commissioner Bell **Second:** Commissioner Brown **Discussion. None.**

XVII. Motion to Reconvene Public Meeting 5:58 p.m. Adopted
Motion: Commissioner Carter **Second:** Commissioner Holt **Discussion. None.**

XVIII. Commissioner Bell moved to “Extend [Delay] Jamonte Horton’s DPD application process until one year after today’s date [August 5, 2022].” **Commissioner Brown** moved to amend this motion by striking the words “one year after today’s date” and inserting “6 months until February 2022 and concur with Assistant Corporation Counsel Whitley’s recommendation.” On motion of Commissioner Bell, the motion to extend Mr. Horton’s DPD application process until one year after today’s date was adopted.

Motion: Commissioner Bell **Second:** Commissioner Carter **Discussion. None.**

XIX. Vice Chairperson Jones adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Bell **Second:** Commissioner Hernandez **Discussion. None: Motion Adopted.**

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