

Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, June 2, 2022 – 3:00 PM
Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third St., Detroit, Michigan 48226

- I. **Chairperson Jim Holley called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.**
- II. **Invocation.** Commander Chaplain Stanley Mobley provided the invocation.
- III. **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	Yes	
Bryan Ferguson	Yes	
Linda D. Bernard, Esq.	Yes	
Cedric Banks	Yes	
Willie E. Bell	Yes	
Willie E. Burton	Yes	
Lisa Carter		Excused
Ricardo Moore	Yes	
Jesus Hernandez	Yes	
Annie Holt	Yes	
Rev. QuanTez Pressley	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	10	

- IV. **Chairperson Holley** called for any additions to the Agenda for Thursday, June 2, 2022. Motion “to unveil the artistic works of Curtis Lewis acknowledging the 2nd Anniversary of George Floyd’s death.” Motion was accepted and the Agenda was accepted and adopted.
- V. **Chairperson Holley** called for any corrections to the Meeting Minutes for May 19, 2022. The minutes were adopted as presented.
- VI. **Unveiling of Artistic Expression Acknowledging the 2nd Anniversary of George Floyd’s death by Curtis Lewis.** Artist and Presenter Mr. Curtis Lewis unveiled the piece entitled “Breathless” as part of the “Justice for All Collection” symbolizing those innocent victims killed by police in the line of duty.
- VII. **Introductions of Board administrative and investigative staff, Chief of Police, Elected Officials or Representatives.**
- VIII. **Chair’s Report.** Chairperson Holley reported on the following information: “First, thank you for attending our meeting today. Since we last met, we have observed two (2) additional deadly shootings resulting in the loss of more innocent young children and men and women senselessly and tragically.

We continue to denounce the violent attacks on our lives. The latest shooting spree in Uvalde, Texas at the Robb Elementary School resulted in the loss of 19 children victims and 2 adult victims and the Oklahoma Shooting at the Tulsa Oklahoma Medical Center resulted in the loss of 4 victims. This is terrorism. This is an American crisis. These domestic terrorist have weapons and armor that are a danger to everyone, including law enforcement.

No one in this country can be assured of going about our daily lives free from domestic terrorism.

We must take action to help enact immediate gun safety measures that stop these threats and massacres on our lives. And we must, we truly must address this American belief that it is okay to have the public to have military-style guns and body armor and just start shooting innocent babies and people.

As I have previously stated, we have a lot of work to do each day to protect that of our lives and our community.

Let us have a moment of silence at this time for the recent victims and to focus our thoughts and energy on working together to protect, serve, and save our community, enhance public safety, and promote constitutional and legitimate policing.

Thank you. Chaplain, your invocation please.

(1) BOPC CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT PURPOSE:

I want to also remind the community about the Board of Police Commissioners and why we are here. The Board of Police Commissioners is the civilian oversight agency for the Detroit Police Department. Since 1974, the Board has provided effective and expansive oversight. We continue to fulfill the mission of providing accountability and transparency. We have broad supervisory oversight authority based on the Detroit City Charter and we continue to both support and hold accountable our Detroit Police Department.

Our community wants our Department to be a 21st Century Model and to have police services delivered in a respectful, legitimate, and appropriate manner.

The Board's oversight work is continuous and does not just occur when news stories are aired about DPD or when police misconduct is discovered by others. Our work is continuous and ongoing and everything that we do and enact impacts our civilian oversight work.

(2) OPERATION CLEAN SWEEP REPORT

I would like to address a few items regarding the Operation Clean Sweep Report (which I am renaming to "Major Violators Corruption Incident Public Report" for clarity) recently discussed in a news article during my tenure as Chairperson: (Although the DPD internal investigation started approximately two (2) years ago, the Final Investigation Report was released during my Chairmanship.

The Board kept updated about issues in the report long before the report was released and both Chief Craig and Chief White held several press conferences about the issues, and also released the report to media in November so it is odd that this Radio report IS NOT COVERING anything NEW that media outlets have not already reported.

The Board also has discussed and provided recommendations for implementation, at length and in open, public meetings and in writing, regarding issues around the findings in the report: new risk management system, the new organizational chart with more built-in supervision, new DPD practices to rotate police officers and supervisors to avoid unhealthy subcultures; new policy requirements in Search & Seizure, Warrants and other Policy directives.

The Board's work directly addresses problems like those in the Clean Sweep report. While the Board could have said more directly that these changes help with overall effectiveness AND get to Clean Sweep and other media headlines, the goal is not about attributing reforms to one bad officer but to making reforms that are needed and getting them implemented for the good of the entire Department and our community.

Finally, the report, the full name is "Investigation of the Major Violators Corruption Incident Public Report" – covers criminal investigations that remain active, just as the Board's work on oversight remains active.

As we continue to review and evaluate the report, the report's findings, and after-action activities, I have requested the Department to provide a presentation on the report for our close evaluation and the Department has complied. The Board and the Department, however, are in the process of confirming with the City Law Department to determine the appropriate measures for the meeting given current and pending litigation regarding this matter and the Open Meetings Act. Commissioners, please be patient with this process and wait for additional updates from the Board Leadership.

(3) **PRESIDENT BIDEN'S RECENT HISTORIC EXECUTIVE ORDER TO ADVANCE EFFECTIVE, ACCOUNTABLE POLICING AND STRENGTHEN PUBLIC SAFETY**

We welcome the President's Executive Order, and appreciate that many areas, though they relate to federal agencies, are in the proposed George Floyd Justice in Policing Act or include areas this Board and Department are already doing.

In Detroit, we already: Asked DPD to see if accreditation would be good and the Chief has said they are looking at Accreditation; Asked for expanded data collection and reporting; Approved revised policy to stop using chokehold and carotid Holds; Approved revised policy to require strict approval processes and a limit on no-knock warrants; Started and expanded mental health response to 911 crisis calls.

We look forward to the transparency and accountability resulting from the President's Executive Order and we continue to look forward to Congress supporting and enacting the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act and other key policing measures and laws that support model, safe, and legitimate 21st Century Policing.

(4) **BOPC PRESENTATIONS:** Today, we have two (2) presentations: one from the U.S. Attorney's Office - Honorable U.S. Attorney Dawn Ison who will provide updates regarding her office's Summer Enforcement efforts. Also, the Board's investigative unit, the Office of the Chief Investigator (OCI), who will share various updates regarding patterns and trends in BOPC OCI complaint data.

(5) **CHIEF'S REPORT**

We look forward to receiving the Department's report today on vital crime updates, critical incidents, and other key updates and initiatives.

I am asking that Commissioners continue to review all correspondence submitted in this week's packet and in our distribution material. Commissioners, we know you are busy, but please take time to review your packets. We have a small staff, and they dedicate a lot of time to completing work and making sure we all have both photocopies and email attachments from various entities. It's not truthful or fair to say our staff is not giving us the documents. Also, please be mindful of the meeting time when posing your questions for the Chief and during presentations. Please submit additional questions that require additional time and research in writing to our office and our staff will follow-up with the Chief's Office. Also as previously announced, as a new format, at the end of each month, we are requesting the Chief and or his designee to report out on the progress of the DPD 2022 Community Safety Strategy Plan, which encompasses any number of oversight areas.

Thank you.

IX. Chief of Police Report: Chief of Police's Summary of CompStat Data and other Crime Information/DPD Information:
Deputy Chief Marlon Wilson reported on current CompStat Crime/Statistical Data for Violent Crime and Property; COVID-19 impacts; and recent critical incidents impacting the DPD and the community. See the attached Meeting Transcripts and DPD Crime Reports for more information and also posted to the Board's webpage.

X. Presentations to the Board – US Attorney's Office for the Eastern District – US Attorney Dawn Ison
BOPC Office of the Chief Investigator Office – Interim Chief Investigator Lawrence Akbar

- A. US Attorney's Office for the Eastern District – US Attorney Dawn Ison** provided information regarding her Summer Enforcement strategies for the City of Detroit and her office's partnerships with the Detroit Police Department and other community stakeholders. See the attached Meeting Transcripts posted to the Board's webpage.
- B. Office of the Chief Investigator – Interim Chief Investigator Lawrence Akbar** provided a summary of the OCI Operations for the month of April 2022. See the attached Meeting Transcripts and OCI Presentation Report posted to the Board's webpage.

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

1. Weekly DPD Facial Recognition Technology Report 5/16/22 – 5/29/22
2. DPD ShotSpotter Report 5/16/22 – 5/29/22
3. Modern Day Enslavement/Human Trafficking Forum @ the CHWMAAH
4. Staff Reports

XII. Unfinished Business.

Motion: Commissioner Holt moved “to suspend June 30, 2022 Board Meeting in observance of the Fourth of July weekend Holiday.”

VOTE: YES = 3 NO = 6 ABSTAIN = 1 MOTION: FAILED

Motion: Commissioner Bell moved “to hold the Board of Police Commission Meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 in accordance of the Charter’s weekly meeting.”

VOTE: YES = 10 NO = 0 MOTION: ADOPTED

XIII. New Business.

Motion: Commissioner Burton moved “to provide a resolution honoring Police Reserve Officer Walter Brown (Posthumously).”

VOTE: YES = 10 NO = 0 MOTION: ADOPTED

XIV. Announcements

Mr. Robert Brown announced the following:

Next Community Meeting: Thursday, June 9, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., at WCCC District - Northwest Campus, Larry Lewis Building, 8200 West Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48219.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 16, 2022, at 3:00 p.m., at Detroit Public Safety Headquarters.

Monthly Committee Meetings’ Schedule for June 2022 – Every 2nd Wednesday

Budget Committee Meeting	Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.
Policy Committee Meeting	Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.
Personnel & Training Committee Meeting	Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.
Citizen Complaints Committee Meeting	Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

All Committee Meetings will take place in the Detroit Public Safety Headquarters

XV. Oral Communications/Public Comments.

Ms. Fredia Butler, Ms. Bernice Smith, Lieutenant Mark Young, Mr. Dana Lunn, Minister Eric Blount, Ms. Victoria Shah, Mr. Alvin Stokes, Ms. Brenda Hill, and Former Commissioner William Davis offered public comments.

XVI. Adjournment.

Chairperson Holley adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.