



Board of Police Commissioners

Accountability through Civilian Oversight

Board of Police Commissioners Public Comments during July 21, 2022 Meeting

Seven members of the public spoke during the public comments portion of the meeting. See transcript of the meeting posted on the Board's website, for a complete report of each speaker's remarks.

The Board of Police determined that the remarks made by the other speakers did not require a response in addition to that provided in the meeting.

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Mr. William McMurray expressed his displeasure with all of the children getting their hands on their parent guns and killing themselves or another sibling. He introduced a gunlock that he sells to other departments and municipalities.
No action needed.

Lieutenant Mark Young stated that in most cases demeanor is not an important tool for a law enforcement officer. He states he is not here to justify the demeanor complaints, but he understands what his colleagues is dealing with.
No action needed.

Ms. Victoria Shaw stated at last week community meeting a member of the Board made a comment implying that this Board should not allow public to dictate how the Board delivers oversight. She does not believe that the Board as a whole represents the full Board.
No action needed.

Ms. Michelle George stated that the city is approving too many marijuana dispensaries, because she has seen the increase in violence and this new ethno plan. This legislation was approved in Ann Arbor and Detroit.
No action needed.

Minister Eric Blount states that BOPC cannot stand up to 21st century policing standards. BOPC lack of transparency is the first hurdle.

No action needed.

Mr. Russ Bellant states he wants the Board to know that the G.I. Bill, there are hundreds of officers who qualify to receive benefits of the G.I. Bill for their training at DPD during the last year. He was told that DPD has not been certifying to the veterans' administration the eligibility of these officers for this money

No action needed.

Mr. Davis stated when he was a commissioner on this Board he asked about the vehicle policy. He believes that the Board should get a copy of every single accidents that its employees are involved. He mentioned that all commissioners should receive a copy of everyone who has applied for any Board vacancy.

No action needed.